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Production is to be doubled within the year at the **Horse Heaven** quicksilver mines near Ashwood, Oregon, according to local reports. The company is employing 50 men in the mine as well as 10 diamond drillers. It is understood that the Sun Oil Company is backing this work. C. M. Andrus, Ashwood, is superintendent.



OREGON

Find New Mercury Mine at Ashwood

Swanson Brothers of Ashwood have discovered a new quicksilver mine 16 miles west of Horse Heaven mines. A tunnel 150 feet and a cut of 120 feet have uncovered a body of very fine looking ore. Assays show the rock to run as high as 45 pounds of quicksilver to the ton which, at present prices, would be a very profitable operation.

The Swansons discovered another mine between the present find and the Horse Heaven mines which they sold to the Sun Oil Co., owners and operators of the Horse Heaven mines.

Associated with them is F A. Wood of Ashwood.

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Oregon

Only development work is being done at this time by the **Horse Heaven Mines, Inc.**, at Horse Heaven, Oregon. One of the country's prominent producers of the strategic quicksilver, the company is unable to hire sufficient men to keep the mine and mill in production. After a certain amount of development is completed, milling will be resumed. F. E. Lewis of Horse Heaven is general superintendent.

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Continuous operations are being maintained by the **Horse Heaven Mines, Inc.**, at Horse Heaven, Oregon, although no figures can be given out at this time. The staff at Horse Heaven, which is near Ashwood in Jefferson County, includes F. E. Lewis, general superintendent and employment agent; Wilbur Shrum, mill superintendent; and Harvey S. Johnson, chief clerk. At the home office at 909 Studio Building, Portland, the staff includes S. H. Williston, vice-president in charge of operations; E. E. Gardanier, consulting engineer and general manager; M. H. Morris, chief field engineer; and E. B. Pitcairn, purchasing agent. J. Edgar Pew of Philadelphia is president and L. W. Staples, University of Oregon, at Eugene, is chief geologist.

Big Damage Action Filed in Court Over Mining Deal

A mining deal which allegedly brought profit to the defendant and loss to the plaintiff was the basis for a \$45,800 damage action that began here Wednesday before Federal Judge James Alger Fee.

The plaintiff, Charles C. Hayes, is asking an accounting and payment to him of all profits on the stock he formerly held in Horseheaven Mines, Inc., or an outright judgment of \$45,800.

He alleges that the defendants, Edward W. Kelley and A. M. Autry Kelley, husband and wife, withheld information concerning a rich strike at the cinnabar mine before they purchased his stock for \$5000 in 1935.

Hayes' complaint said that he owned 21 per cent of the capital stock of the mines after the corporation's organization in 1934. He was manager of the mine until June 11, 1935, when he was replaced by R. R. Whiting. His stock was transferred to A. M. Autry Kelley on September 2, 1935 after he moved to Curry county, and he accepted \$5000 for the stock not knowing of the rich strike or the fact that the Sun Oil company was planning to buy the mine, he alleges.

The defendants realized a profit of not less than \$44,500 on his stock, according to the complaint.

JUDGE DISMISSES MINE CLAIM CASE

Federal Judge James Alger Fee pointed out the speculative nature of a mining enterprise Thursday in dismissing a suit asking damages or an accounting brought by Charles C. Hayes against Edward W. Kelley and A. M. Autry Kelley, husband and wife.

The suit grew out of a sale of stock in the Horseheaven Mines, Inc., which operated a cinnabar mine in Jefferson county.

Hayes contended he sold his stock for \$5000, that the Kelleys later transferred it at a profit of not less than \$45,800 and that he had not been apprised of a rich strike in the mine.

Case of Charles C. Hayes against Edward W. Kelley and his wife, A. M. Autry Kelley, involving stock in Horse Heaven Mines, Inc., is on trial before Federal Judge James A. Fee.

Hayes claims that after he was superseded as manager of the cinnabar mine in Jefferson county near Ashwood, a rich strike was made, unknown to him, and that the defendants succeeded in acquiring his 21 per cent. of the stock for \$5000.

Plaintiff alleges that a deal was made with the Sun Oil company that resulted in his stock going for \$44,500. He asks an accounting and damages in the amount of the value of the stock plus dividends.

Court Dismisses Mine Stock Suit

Suit of Charles C. Hayes against Edward W. Kelley and his wife, A. M. Autry Kelley, was dismissed Thursday by Federal Judge James A. Fee at conclusion of trial.

Hayes claimed he sold his stock in the Horse Heaven Mines, Inc., in Jefferson county for \$5000, that a rich strike of cinnabar was made without his knowledge and that the Kelleys disposed of the stock that had belonged to him for a profit of about \$48,500.

Judge Fee said that mining is an enterprise of speculative nature.