

### Spradling Mine

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## CALIFORNIA MEN TO DEVELOP OLD SPRADLING MINE

An extensive development program which will entail a considerable expenditure is under way on the old Spradling mine on Galice creek, 25 miles northwest of Grants Pass, by a group of Los Angeles people represented by F. J. Peck of Grants Pass, who recently acquired the property.

The placer property formerly belonged to W. P. Spradling and H. P. Barclay who operated it in a small way for about four years. It has been worked in a desultory manner by various owners for the last 20 years, but never on what could be termed a large-scale operation.

The new owners, who have only just begun their program of development, are unable at the present time to estimate the total expenditure to the point of operation. They have already installed some 1600 feet of new flume, about the same number of feet of pipe line, repaired the dam and renovated the buildings on the property. The property has about a mile and a half of ditch, constructed by the former operators. It will be possible, when the construction work is completed, to develop enough water pressure to operate several "giants."

Due to the lack of water and

freezing weather, the crew has B. Grant, the company's engineer, one assistant and a cook is now on the property. As soon as the water comes and the weather is propitious, 12 to 14 men will be employed and construction work will proceed. The men will work in three eight-hour shifts. A new flood light system is now being installed for night work.

Although corporation papers have been issued for incorporating the new company under the Oregon laws, all details relative to the incorporation have not been fully completed. A meeting will be held in Grants Pass in the near future, attended by the Los Angeles interests, to complete the formation of the corporation and definitely map out the rest of the development program.

SPRADLING PLACER

GALICE DISTRICT

OWNER: F. G. Peck, Grants Pass, Oregon, representing Los Angeles group.

LOCATION: Galice Creek

HISTORY: The placer property formerly belonged to W. P. Spradling and H. P. Barclay who operated it in a small way for about 4 years. Prior to that it was worked by various owners for the last 20 years with small scale operations.

DEVELOPMENT: 1600 feet of new flume and 1600 feet of pipe line have been installed. The dam and buildings have been repaired and about a mile and a half of ditch has been cleaned. A flood light has been installed.

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