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## Mine Asks for Water Permit

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Mr. Pearce said that a ditch the feet deep, 10 feet wide and three miles long has been dug so as to carry water from Soldiers creek to the source of operations, near the mouth of Briggs creek. It is understood that a sizeable dam has also been constructed.

## Placer Mining \*\* Plans Completed

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 24 (special)—Four years' preparation for extensive placer gold mining operations have just been completed in the Oak, Flat area by a company headed by Owen A. Thomas, County Watermaster Tom R. Pearce and Thursday in reporting he had received at application for 50 second fest of water.

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