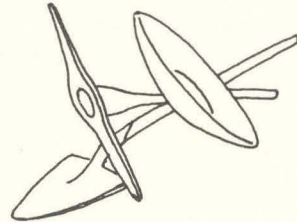
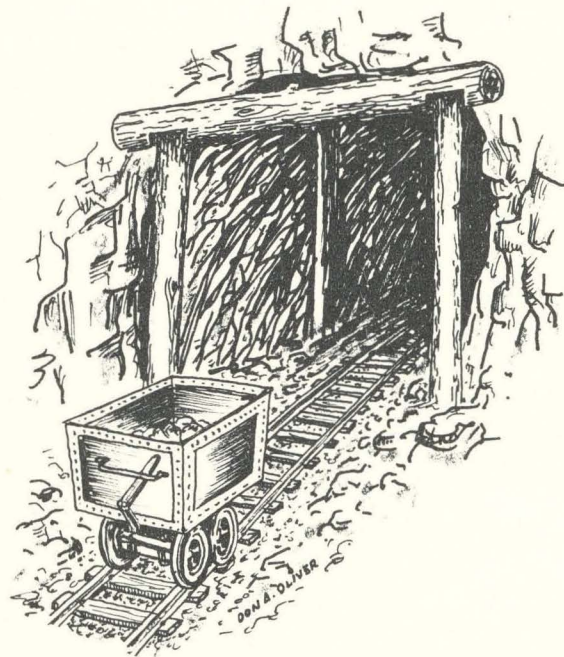


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REPORT OF MINERAL EXAMINATION



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Job 749

Claimant: Mickey Gail Shaulis
3470 Midway Avenue
Grants Pass, Oregon 97526

or

Peter McKenna and Timothy Cullen
P. O. Box 302
Selma, Oregon 97538

Reason for Examination: Occupancy of two new cabins on the
Soldier claim and an old cabin on the
North Soldier claim

Subject: Validity of mining claims

Lands Involved: Soldier claim in the S 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4
Section 10, T. 37 S., R. 9 W., W.M. and
North Soldier in the N 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4
Section 10, T. 37 S., R. 9 W., W.M.
Siskiyou National Forest, Josephine
County, Oregon

Land Status: National Forest land open to mineral
entry

Location Data:

<u>Claim Name</u>	<u>Date of Location</u>	<u>Book/Page</u>	<u>Claimant</u>	<u>Description</u>
Soldier	November 2, 1970	77/179	Mickey Gail Shaulis	S 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 10
North Soldier	November 2, 1970	77/181	Mickey Gail Shaulis	N 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 10
Soldier	August 10, 1971	77/887	Peter McKenna	S 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 Section 10
North Soldier	August 10, 1971	77/889	Peter McKenna	N 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 10

Mining District: Briggs Creek

Mining Engineer: Colver F. Anderson

Dates of Examination: August 10 and 12, 1972

Accompanied by: Tom Atwood, Forester
Peter McKenna and Timothy Cullen, Claimants

2-25-75
11-7-73

Location and Topography

These claims are on Soldier Creek near its junction with Briggs Creek which in turn runs into the Illinois River. Access is via 17 miles of Illinois River Road from Selma to Oak Flat and then about 5 miles up Briggs Creek to the vicinity of the Dasher Ranch.

The area of the claims is mountain meadow land or gently sloping forest land as shown in Pictures 2, 4, 5, and 6.

Economic Geology

Briggs Creek with its tributaries has been a noted placer gold producing stream system although there is no recorded information relating strictly to the area.

The portion of Soldier Creek within the claims appears to have had a limited amount of gravel which was all in an entrenched channel. No significant amount remains.

Pertinent Information

Examination of the recorded claim information shows that Peter McKenna jumped the Soldier claims while Mickey Gail Shaulis had legal possession. McKenna and Timothy Cullen were on the ground at the time of the second visit. Cullen says he has an interest in the claims but such interest is not recorded.

Occupancy

The two new structures (Pictures 1 and 2) are on the Soldier claim and the old cabin (Pictures 4, 5, and 6) and out buildings are on the North Soldier claim. The old structures are known as the Adams place.

The occupants vary in number from 2 to 20 in the immediate area.

Discovery

According to Mr. Cullen the only place where mining is being done is on the Soldier claim. This place is shown in Pictures 7 and 8. The only available gravel is a shallow amount tangled in tree roots and another cubic yard or so in the pool shown in Picture 7. A pan from bedrock at the edge of the water contained some black sand and a few very fine colors. A few cents worth of gold is all that the claimants have to show for their efforts. Panning is the only way they have recovered gold.

The creek is running on granite porphyry as far as can be seen in both directions. The streambed is entrenched as much as 10 feet and no significant gravel remains on the banks.

Conclusion

My contact with these people during the mineral examination leads me to the conclusion that they have practically no knowledge of and no particular interest in mining.

Soldier Creek may never have had a significant amount of gravel within the limits of these claims. The creek bed is so slick and smooth that gravel would sluice clean during high water. This is not good bedrock for collecting and holding heavy minerals.

The North Soldier claim has no mining activity or discovery, so the occupancy is a trespass.

Recommendation

These claims should be set for validity hearing based on the charges that:

1. No discovery has been demonstrated on either claim.
2. The activities within the claims have not shown the claimants to be bona fide miners.
3. The land involved is nonmineral in character.

Date 10/17/72

Colver F. Anderson
COLVER F. ANDERSON, Mining Engineer

APPROVED:

Date 10/18/72

William W. Seely
Acting Assistant Regional Forester



*This cabin has
been torn down*





Three two
are good



these are
gone



Old Adams
cabin

Cabin has
been stripped
but shell is still
there

