

PLAN OPERATION ALTHOUSE PLACER

Syndicate of Medford Men Secures Famous Old Producer, Neglected for Many Years and Will Start Development Work at Once.

A syndicate of local men headed by A. F. Barnett, known as the American Mining company, have bonded a large area of placer ground in the famous Althouse district in Josephine and will operate the mine upon an extensive scale. The district is interesting historically, as it is one of the oldest in the state, and its rejuvenation will mean much for that section.

American Mining Company.
The American Mining company placer ground is situated in the southeastern part of Josephine county, Oregon, in what is known as the Althouse mining district. The distance is about 50 miles southeast from Grants Pass, which is the nearest practical point from the railroad. The property is about 40 miles on an air line west from Medford. There is a good wagon road from Grants Pass to Brownstown, which is six miles from the mines, the balance of the distance is made over the Althouse trail and pack animals are used for carrying freight for this distance of six miles. There is also a good mountain trail to the property from Tekkila, a distance of seven miles and from a Waldo a distance of nine miles. The cost of transporting freight from Grants Pass to the mines is \$1.50 per cwt.

Discovered in 1852.
The Althouse district was discovered in 1852 and since that time this district has been known as one of the largest placer gold producers on the Pacific coast. The miners of the early days worked only the easy ground that was along the lower creek channels and was easy for ground sluicing. All the upper channels to this day have scarcely been touched. All the channels in the entire Althouse district appear to have been created by glacier action and slides and the richest gravel found on this property was about a half mile above the present Althouse creek and by thorough tests average more than \$12 per yard ten feet above bedrock. This gravel also carries a large

BANK ENTERS HOG BUSINESS

First National Bank of Bend Orders Three Carloads of Imported Porkers Which Will Be Loaned to the Farmers of the District.

BEND, Ore., Sept. 2.—With the view of stopping the outward flow of money to pay for meat imported into Central Oregon, and at the same time planning to establish a new industry here, the First National bank of Bend today announced that it would import three carloads of thoroughbred hogs. The animals will be loaned to ranchmen for one year. Either money or hogs will be accepted as interest by the institution. Bank officials declare they expect to make a high rate of interest on the investment.

amount of black sand which is rich in gold and platinum and recent assays gave a value in gold to the amount of \$140 per ton, and is also rich in platinum.

Huge Gravel Deposits.
The gravel deposits in this channel average over 30 feet deep with a tunnel running in 150 feet with indications that the channel is from 400 to 600 feet in width. This ground will produce about \$300,000 per acre. The lower channels have been thoroughly prospected by sinking shafts and driving tunnels and the gravel taken from these lower channels averaged \$1.19 per cubic yard. Althouse creek runs for a distance of two miles through the property with a fall of 500 feet at the lower end of the property which will be used for dumping the allings and boulders from the mine.

From these faces the balance of the distance up the creek is a gradual incline for a mile and three-quarters of about one foot in twelve. The average width of the present creek channel is about 20 yards and carries fine gold to the value of 45 cents to the yard. The property carries water rights granted by the state of Oregon to the amount of 19,000 miners' inches and there is sufficient water at all times of the year to operate one hydraulic giant and during six months of the year there is plenty of water to run three hydraulic giants. Another valuable asset to the property

FAST BALL GAME FOR LABOR DAY

Medford Regulars Will Meet Picked Team From Labor Unions at Ball Park—Game is Scheduled to Start at One O'Clock.

A fast ball game is scheduled for next Monday afternoon at the ball park when the Medford regulars will cross bats with a picked team from the labor unions of Medford. Burgess and Wilson will form the battery for Medford while no announcement has been made of the lineup of the union men.

The game will be called at 1 o'clock sharp in order to be out of the way before the races at the fair ground start. A good game is promised. Owney Patton will act as umpire and be master of ceremonies.

TAFT CONFIDENT OF WINNING VOTES

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 2.—President Taft today began preparation of the speeches, which he will make during his western tour.

Convinced that the majority of the people approve his course, the president intends following the lines laid out in his address at Hamilton early in the week. Friends declare that President Taft believes the tariff board is the only proper method of dealing with the tariff question, and state that he expects to see grow enthusiastic over the plan of revision.

PAINTERS TAKE NOTICE.
All members of local No. 643 are expected to march in the parade on Labor day. A fine will be imposed on those not marching. Clean suits will be furnished at hall for those not provided. 140*
H. M. TUTTLE, Sec.

ty is a five-foot ditch, 7000 feet in length, giving a hydraulic pressure of 3000 to 700 feet. Estimating the proposition by the tunnels that have been driven, shafts sunk and topographical survey there are from 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 yards of ground on the property.

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