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production is stated to have been about \$10,000.

The property is leased to Al and Frank Barton, who are beginning a 2 year lease, pay 20 per cent royalty, and must keep up the mill. Current report is that the parent company's operations were inefficient.

A visit to the mine showed that it may have considerable merit, providing the ore has the values stated by Al Barton. However, two special samples cut by A. M. Smith and Barton at a point where Barton said the values were good, assayed only a few cents at the State laboratory.

D. A. Thalimer, a stockholder in the company, lives at Rowland, oversees the lessee's work and does their assaying. Thalimer stated that they wished to sell stock enough to finance driving a new tunnel near the river level.

Placer

Oro Vista Mine, Gold Creek, Lode and Placer Gold.

At Rowland we learned that A. S. Longwill, of Rowland, has a gold lode mine on the north fork of Humboldt River, near Gold Creek, a hamlet about 20 miles south of Rowland. Longwell has a little sample mill in operation. He is also said to have a placer claim nearby, which averages 10¢ in gold per wheelbarrow load. We did not

visit this place.

Tennessee Gulch. Lode and Placer Gold

Tennessee Gulch is 10 miles south of Rowland. This summer Theodore Parker, a negro, is building a small mill there which he had shipped up from San Francisco, and has 3 men employed setting it up. C. Olsen, postmaster at Rowland, said there were two veins, an upper and a lower, in granite porphyry, small, but rich in gold.

Placer

Placer also occurs near this point in Tennessee Gulch. C. Olsen of Rowland

Tennessee Gulch, Placer, continued.

stated that a man named Went worked there in 1927 and took out an ounce or two of gold. Recently A. S. Longwell of North Fork, Elko County, and another figured on building a ditch from Martin Creek to the placer at a cost of about \$500, but feared they could not recover a profit above the investment. Noble Getchell, well known operator at Midas, was expected in to examine the property soon.

Gold Creek

Hammond Mine



Not examined. Said to have a good ball mill installed some 12 years ago, but has not been operated for 4 years. The gold Creek placers are supposed to originate from this mine.

About 1 mile N. of Baker Ranch on Gold Creek are old placer diggings.

Bull Pen Placer

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Located on Bruneau River, 12 miles N. of Rowland, Elko County. A large sand and gravel bar on W. side of river, which has been prospected. HJos. Riffe, about 1924, reported 9 colors to the pan. Can be approached to within 2 miles by auto, remainder of trail on foot or with horse. Owned by C. Olson, Rowland, Nevada.