REPORTED MINING ACTIVITIES
IN THE
CHANDALAR DISTRICT, ALASKA
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## SUMMARY

One bulldozer hydraulic, three ground sluicing and one placer drill comprise the total mining operations in the handaler District this season. There was reported some sniping and one man working on gold lode development. There was a reported placer strike on the Firth Tiver, but the exact location was not learned. There were probably other prospectors than the below reported. A dry season was reported in the District.

A total of nine men were reported actively engaged in mining.

## **OBERATIONS**

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Lon Philpott and Anker Hoidahl were reported to have made a placer strike on the newer Firth River. hey were reported operating a bulldozer and thawing equipment. This operation is near or possibly across the Canadian-Alaskan Boundry. Two men are employed.

Herman Webb was reported ground slucing on Little Squaw creak with one man hired. May drift mine during the winter.

E. Amero is ground sluicing alone on Big Sqaw Creek.

Ellis Anderson is ground sluicing on Tobin Creek, tributary of the Chandalar River.

Eskil Anderson and Associates are holding extensive lode prospects and numerous placer element claims in the Chandalar River section. They expect to do considerable placer drilling late this season with four men.

Dennis O Keefe was reported prospecting and working on gold lode development.

William Meldrum of Chicken went into the Firth River Area early this spring on the snow and did considerable prospecting. He reportedthat the Upper Firth River was found very unfavorable for placer deposits. He reported, that most of the creeks show active glaciation, contain glacial bowlders, and the main Firth has a box type canyon. The gold was found highly scattered and consisted both of cormse and flat fine gold.

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