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The letting of a contract for an 11,000 foot ditch around Carson Lake and the employment of a large number of drills for exploration purposes gives rise to the belief that the Oliver Iron Mining company contemplates the proposed drainage of the lake itself within a short time.

The contract for the ditch has been let to the Butler-Coons company and entails the removal of 21,000 cubic yards of dirt. It is estimated that the ditch will not be completed for two months. It is believed that with the ditch completed plans will be made for pumping the lake dry and mining operations will then be started. HDT