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DRAINAGE WORK TO MEAN DEVELOPMENT OF MUCH PROPERTY

First Ditching Being Done Under Plans of Drainage District, Reaching Arch Creek

Beginning of the first ditching under the plans of the Dade drainage district will mean the development of a vast area of rich land north and northwest of Miami and the probable location of many improvement projects in that section, according to information given out Monday. Four ditching machines are engaged in digging a eight-mile section 10 feet wide between a point on the Miami canal near the sugar farm to a point where it will join Arch creek. The canal will traverse the north line of the property of the Curtiss-Bright Ranch Co.

This canal, which is the first of a series of drainage canals planned by the Dade district, is in addition to a large lateral being dug through the property of the Pennsylvania Sugar Co. The completion of the Snapper creek canal to the southward, the operation of the North New River canal and the opening and bridging of the Tamiami trail at 20 points will, it is claimed, prevent any future overflow of water in this section, while the operation of the St. Lucie canal for control of Lake Okechobee will be an additional safeguard.

The acreage affected in the Dade drainage district is large and capitalists are said to be considering large investments and development projects.