

NEWS FROM MONTANA OIL FIELDS

RUN OF ACCIDENTS HAMPERS DRILLING OF NARROW OIL GAS

Sorely Tried Directors Get View of Baler Bringing Up Juice as Solace.

Special to The Tribune. Harlowton, June 9.—With everything broken down except its reputation for bad luck, Harlow Oil and Gas has nevertheless been plugging away at intervals and is now getting ready to set casing in the rock. After undergoing a long setting of its last casing, it discovered that its stem and jar were badly worn and drove to Lewistown for new ones. Having installed these, the drill was again started, when the bit wheel was broken, necessitating several days' work by carpenters. By the time these repairs were accomplished and drilling proceeded far enough to call the underdrinner into action again, a new underdrinner was sent for. Last week, Manager George White drove to Big Timber to meet Howard McCoy, formerly president of the Illinois Bankers' association. Mr. McCoy is looking for a lease on Big Elk and will return again shortly. He made a trip to Helena and came back for another visit to the well, accompanied by a number of the Big Elk syndicate directors and also by some of the directors of the Harlow Oil and Gas. The entire outfit motored to the well, where they became so engrossed watching the baler bring up oil that they had to finish a directors' meeting in the wee hours of the morning so that they could take No. 17 to Helena. In spite of the many and harassing delays, the directors of both companies expressed themselves as being jubilant over the state of affairs at the well.

Butte Chinese Pick Women Oil Directors

Butte, June 9.—Shattering all traditions of their ancestors, the Butte members of the Chinese colony have paid a signal tribute to two women, by naming them as incorporators and directors of the Domes Oil corporation. Fannie I. Biow and Bessie W. Yow are the women honored. They head the list of incorporators of the company, holding an equal number of shares with Samuel I. Biow and Hum Yow. They have equal voting power with the men, forming the first directorate.

Big West Rig Hauled to Sweet Grass Arch

Special to The Tribune. Shelby, June 9.—A Big West oil rig is being hauled out to the Sweet Grass arch about eighteen miles north of Shelby. This will be spudded in Sunday. The Shelby Booster club is planning a big program of entertainment in honor of the occasion. The Big West drill is in charge of a representative of the Diamond Machinery company. The editor of the big oil paper, the Northwest Mining Truth, has written representatives of the Boosters' club that he will print a big oil edition July 2, featuring the Sweet Creek, Round-up and Toole county fields. He will reserve a full page for Toole county writups.

New Great Falls Oil Company Files Papers

Special to The Tribune. Helena, June 8.—Articles of incorporation of two new oil companies have been filed with the secretary of state. They are: Delphi Oil Co., Bozeman, authorized capital, \$750,000, subscribed, \$5; incorporators: John Fechter, A. V. Mouter, Justin M. Smith, J. J. White and Gottlieb Michel. Great Northern Royalties Co., Great Falls, authorized capital, \$50,000, subscribed, \$30; incorporators, O. B. Nelson, Hugh M. Jones, Herman McCain, Charles Merz and W. P. McMurtrey.

Decrease in Deaths From Communicable Diseases in County

Special to The Tribune. Helena, June 8.—According to the records of the state board of health, Great Falls and Cascade county experienced an appreciable reduction from 1918 and 1919 in the number of deaths from communicable diseases during the year 1920. The records show the 1920 deaths to have been as follows: Typhoid, county 0, city 2; smallpox, county 0, city 0; measles, county 3, city 1; scarlatina, county 0, city 1; whooping cough, county 0, city 1; diphtheria, county 0, city 2; tuberculosis, county 3, city 11. Totals, county 6, city 18, or a total of 24. For 1919: typhoid, county 9, city 2; smallpox, county 0, city 0; measles, county 0, city 2; scarlatina, county 1, city 2; whooping cough, county 0, city 0; diphtheria, county 4, city 6; tuberculosis, county 1, city 31; Totals county 6, city 43; a total of 49. For 1918: typhoid, county 1, city 5; smallpox, county 1, city 0; measles, county 1, city 0; scarlatina, county 2, city 5; whooping cough, county 0, city 2; diphtheria, county 6, city 7; tuberculosis, county 2, city 24. Totals county 13, city 43, a total of 56.

Moon Creek to Open Custer Rural Picnic

Special to The Tribune. Miles City, June 9.—The first of the Custer county rural or community picnics will be held in the Moon creek district on Thursday, June 23, according to Lee Bennett, who, conferred with Secretary W. G. Ferguson, of the chamber of commerce, relative to co-operation by the people of the city. It is expected that a large delegation of city folks will be in attendance. Matters of community interest will be discussed and the late afternoon and evening devoted to social pleasures. A steel milling machine that will do the work of four old-type machines has been invented by a Milwaukee man.

Another Clear Creek Well Is Staked Off

Have, July 9.—Stakes were set the other day by representatives of the Ohio Oil company for the site of another well on the Clear Creek structure, on what is known as the Miller lease, one-half mile east of the well, where the company is now drilling for the Republic Oil Co. More or less mystery surrounds the progress of drillings in the well now going down, but the most reliable sources reported that the bit had reached a depth around 2,860 feet and that the drillers had encountered a formation supposed to lie above the cap rock of sand in which geologists have said there were probable chances of encountering oil or gas. The well has reached a place where it is being watched with the utmost interest by those interested in it.

Editors to Visit Kevin Oil Structure

Whitefish, June 9.—In addition to the big time planned for the forthcoming editorial association meeting in Whitefish, the third week in July, the editor Campbell-Kevin syndicate will extend an invitation to the editors from the eastern and northern part of the state to stop at Shelby on their way home from the convention and take a trip to the Kevin oil fields at the expense of Mr. Campbell.

NORTH TIER CROPS FINE; MORE CORN IN CONFERENCE HEARS

Cut and Wire Worms Only Drawback Reported; Summer-Fallowing on Increase.

Special to The Tribune. Helena, June 9.—A conference of the county agricultural agents from the northern tier of the state was held here Wednesday under the supervision of Assistant State Leader J. C. Taylor of Bozeman, who has been working in this territory for the past two weeks, to work out the final plans for the boys' camp to be held at Fort Assiniboine, to discuss the coming agricultural tours to experimental stations and set the dates for summer community picnics and meetings which will be held in each county. Reports of crop conditions were heard from W. P. Stapleton, county agricultural agent from Phillips county; M. A. Thorfenson, county agricultural agent from Blaine county, and from L. A. Campbell, county agricultural agent from Hill county.

Little Damage From Worms

Mr. Stapleton reported that the acreage this year Phillips county found average about 80 per cent of that sown last year. He said that very few worms had appeared so far, and there was, consequently, very little damage from worms. Crops this year, although of smaller acreage, said Mr. Stapleton, "will produce more, with the right amount of rainfall, on account of the care that has been exercised in tilling and planting." Last year the farmers realized the necessity of planting forage, and more than 5,600 acres of corn were put in on land in Phillips county. This year the amount will be doubled. Corn is, so far, in very good shape. Summer-fallowing land has increased and the farmers are beginning to realize its necessity.

Wire Worms Invade Blaine

M. A. Thorfenson, agricultural agent of Blaine county, reported that wire worms, heretofore unheard of in northern Montana, were breaking out on the Big Flat near Harlem in small patches but that, so far, the damage had been slight. He said that cut worms had been found north of Lohman in small spots. "Probably more than 80 per cent of last year's acreage of wheat has been planted in Blaine county," said Mr. Thorfenson, "all of which is looking good and in fair shape as far as moisture is concerned. The rain last Wednesday, which started in the Bear Paw mountains, extended to Cleveland and Raderlesnake and was a great help to the farming communities covered. There is a noted increase of corn planted this year over that of last in Blaine county, and more interest has been taken in the planting of forage crops."

Jubilant Spirit in Hill

L. A. Campbell, for Hill county, reported that cut worm damage had been noticed in many sections of this county and the farmers were making every effort to stop the worms' ravages. Mr. Campbell reported that the spirit was good, so far, and the majority of the communities had sufficient rain to last for 10 days or two weeks before the grain would suffer badly. "In every community the farmers are interested in co-operating to study the latest developments in agricultural lines and in meeting the difficulties of dry land farming," said Mr. Campbell. "Summer-fallowing land is much more frequently found this year than in any before, due, no doubt, to the study of the situation by the farmers." Conferences of this nature are held every three to four months to discuss agricultural problems. The state is divided into three districts, northern Montana, the Yellowstone district and the western district. Another conference will be held in the fall.

Lewistown's 85 Grads Hold Class Exercises

Special to The Tribune. Lewistown, June 9.—The class night program of the high school seniors was given Thursday night at the high school gym, an audience that packed the big hall assembling for the event. The salutatory was given by Agnes Crego, while Rhea Stephens gave the class history and Harriet Alya, winner of the declamatory contest at Missoula, contributed to that entertaining feature. The class poem was read by Evelyn Pier. Marion Burke turned the keys over to the juniors, the response being made by Lyle Mondale. Dorothy Sherman gave the class prophecy and Wilson Howland gave the valedictory. Marion Burke has been elected president of this large class of 85 members, with Claude Sutter vice president; Harriet Brunskill, secretary, and Emory Gibson, treasurer.

MADISON COUNTY OIL COMPANY'S ACREAGE GREATEST IN STATE

Special Book Kept by Recorder to List Leases Above 100,000-Acre Mark.

Virginia City, June 9.—The Madison County Oil company, a Virginia City organization of which Jacob Albright is the president and A. H. Jones the general manager, has so far secured leases on a larger acreage of land than any other oil company operating in Montana. It is said to be the desire of the management of this company that as its leases will be recorded in the same book and to this end the county clerk has ordered a special book. When this book is delivered the Madison County Oil company will file at least 150 leases for record. If these leases should average only 100 acres, it would mean a total of 24,000 acres this company has control of. But these figures do not tell the whole story, for the acreage it now has under control is considerably over 100,000.

MORE THAN MILLION CASH IN MONTANA'S EDUCATIONAL FUND

About \$300,000 Invested in Farm Loans This Year; Applications for \$75,000.

Special to The Tribune. Helena, June 9.—With applications for about \$300,000 in farm loans already approved, and applications pending but not yet approved for about \$75,000 more, the monthly report of the register of state lands, just issued, shows that on June 1 there was \$779,129.99 cash on hand in the permanent educational funds, in addition to which the report of the state auditor shows \$237,056.96 in the common school interest and income fund, uninvested, on June 1. Reports of the month of May, investments aggregating \$48,204.59 had been made by the state board of land commissioners, divided as follows: In 12 farm loans, \$12,400; hail insurance warrants, \$2,284.03; state warrants, \$5,120.56; school bonds, \$22,400.

Campbell Now Clerk at Broadwater Hotel

Special to The Tribune. Helena, June 8.—Glenn A. Campbell formerly chief clerk at the Park hotel in Great Falls, has arrived in Helena, and has reported for duty as chief clerk at the Broadwater hotel, which will be opened Friday noon, June 10. The first social event at the hotel will be a banquet and ball Saturday night, June 18. The Broadwater plunge has been open for two weeks.

Railroad Bump Suit Settled on Trial Eve

Special to The Tribune. Lewistown, June 9.—The case of Constable John J. Dobson against the Milwaukee for damages because of injuries alleged to have been sustained when a train struck the plaintiff's auto—negligence being alleged—was settled out of court Wednesday and dismissed, as it was about to come to trial.

Neighbors Treat Her to Birthday Party

Special to The Tribune. Gilman, June 9.—Mrs. Ed. D. Boone had a birthday last Sunday, and a number of neighbors and friends dropped in unexpectedly that afternoon and helped Mrs. Boone celebrate the occasion. The guests brought refreshments and a pleasant evening was spent at the Boone home. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Whitmore, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Porter, Mrs. Fred Sheridan, Mrs. E. Johnson, Mrs. John Whitmore, Mr. Elmer Johnson, Mrs. John Manix, Mr. and Mrs. Orin Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Jones, Miss Alma Porter and Ashton Jones.

Montana's Contribution to Suffering Humanity

When you, as a good citizen of Great Falls, take great pride in the natural products of your State, don't forget SUN RIVER OINTMENT. Issuing from a fissure in the rocks, in Sun River Valley, this remarkable remedy stands unique among healing compounds. Indians and pioneers—and, in a later day, doctors and scientists—have known of its curative virtues. But—the inaccessibility of the source of supply has heretofore restricted its use. The inevitable has finally happened: Today SUN RIVER OINTMENT may be obtained from druggists in every section of this land. Through its use as an external remedy, thousands of sufferers are now finding immediate relief from stubborn skin troubles of many kinds, including—burns, scalds, cold sores, chapping, chafing, itching, rash, frost bites, chilblains, inflamed irritable bunions, calluses, eczema, and piles. Try it once and you will never be without it—a natural remedy just as nature made it without a single manufactured chemical. Now for sale in your city by: West Side Drug Store, Model Pharmacy, Public Drug Company, Rainbow Pharmacy.

Vanderbilt Party Navigates Mud to Get Into Billings. Billings, June 9.—After a hard drive through the mud from Hyattsville, Coraolus Vanderbilt, Jr.; Mrs. Vanderbilt, her sister, Miss Annie Littlejohn and Jean W. Bredix reached Billings Thursday in time to attend a breakfast given in their honor at the Commercial club. They were taken for an automobile tour of the city and vicinity in the afternoon and in the evening a smoker was held at the Commercial club. The party expects to leave Billings Friday morning.

CORN EXPERIMENT EXPANDED THIS YEAR ON GILMAN RANCHES. Gilman, June 9.—R. C. Valentine of Riebeling was in Gilman Wednesday, looking after business matters and, in speaking of crop conditions in his neighborhood, said that things are looking better this year than they have in four years, with all grain crops looking fine. That section got two showers Tuesday and has been getting them right along. At no time has there been a lack of moisture out there this year. Cut worms have been working on the winter and spring wheat, but are not doing any particular damage. They are getting off the tops, but are leaving the crowns, so that the wheat will come on again. It will give the wheat a setback, but the root system is growing all the time and it will come on fast and will not be any later at harvest time than grain which has not been touched. Mr. Valentine is one of the ranchers who are going in strong for corn and has planted 80 acres of it this year. He is using three varieties, one a very early variety, another a medium early, and another which is a fodder variety. Last year Mr. Valentine had in 40 acres of corn and was well pleased with the results. He expects to get merchantable corn. A number of ranchers who planted corn this year had never given it a trial before.

R. C. Valentine Had Big Success Last Season on Fodder; Crops Look Fine.

NOTED LABORITE DIES. Denver, Colo., June 9.—Milton Snelling, 52, national president of the Steam and Operating Engineers' union, of Washington, D. C., who was in Denver as a delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention was found dead in bed at a local hotel today.

John Golden Succumbs. New York, June 9.—John Golden, for many years president of the United Textile workers of America, died Thursday at his home in Brooklyn after an illness of several weeks. He was taken ill while attending a convention of textile workers here.

25,882,000 BU. CROP OF WHEAT IN STATE IS GUESS OF EXPERT. Estimator Beier Looks for 1,941,000 Tons of Hay and Nearly Normal Harvest. Helena, June 9.—With the acreage planted in grains only slightly less than in 1920 and with the area in hay a bit greater, the outlook is for a crop not far below normal this year, according to an analysis of a report issued today by F. W. Beier, Jr., federal crop estimator in this state. The outlook now is for 25,882,000 bushels of wheat, 19,592,000 bushels of oats, 2,070,000 bushels of barley, 1,101,000 bushels of rye and 1,941,000 tons of hay. The winter wheat acreage appears to be larger than in 1920, the spring wheat area 8 per cent less, oats 3 per cent less, barley the same as last year, clover 56 per cent more and alfalfa 10 per cent more.

Pioneer Woman Dies at Atlantic City; Kin of Gold Discoverer. Butte, June 9.—Mrs. Samuel D. Stuart, 79 years old, pioneer of Montana and a native of Indiana, died today at the home of her daughter in Atlantic City, N. J. She left her home in Butte two months ago for the east. Mrs. Stuart came up the river in 1867 with her husband, the late Samuel Stuart, brother of Granville Stuart, one of the party who discovered gold in the territory. From Fort Benton they went to Deer Lodge. They came back to the states in 1869, returning to Deer Lodge in 1881, and in 1895 located at Helena. The body of Mrs. Stuart will rest in Arlington National cemetery near Washington.

Ask Mining Engineer to Retell Adventures. Special to The Tribune. Lewistown, June 9.—Tom Hamilton, a noted mining engineer of this city, who has spent many years in South America, was the principal speaker at the Rotary club luncheon Wednesday, giving an interesting talk on experiences in Chile and Peru. The club unanimously voted a request for another address in the near future.

Funeral of Tick Victim Held. Special to The Tribune. Lewistown, June 9.—The funeral of Frank Martindale, the Kascha rancher who died here from spotted fever, the first case in this section as far as known, was held here Thursday. The Rev. R. H. Stone, of the Methodist church, conducting the services.

Imperial Potatoes Special to Des Moines Stops to Parade; Rite Raquets. Butte, June 9.—E. L. Garretson, imperial potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and 300 Shriners from Tacoma arrived Thursday afternoon over the Milwaukee on a special train bound for Des Moines, where the imperial council will be held next week. The visitors were met at the station by a great delegation of Montana Shriners and escorted through the business district, the parade including three bands. In the afternoon the imperial potentate addressed the Shriners at Columbia Gardens, where he was presented with a humidor, embossed with native copper, the gift of local Shriners. Late in the afternoon the party left in its special train. Thursday morning, at Masonic temple, the 31st degree was exempted to a class of 31 and in the evening the 32nd degree was conferred upon a class. The meeting of the Consistory concluded at night with a banquet. The annual reunion of Bagdad temple of the Shrine will be held Friday, and a class of 100 novitiates will be put through.

The Sage Specialty Shop. Satin and Lace Trimmed Brassieres Special 1.50. 417 Central Avenue.

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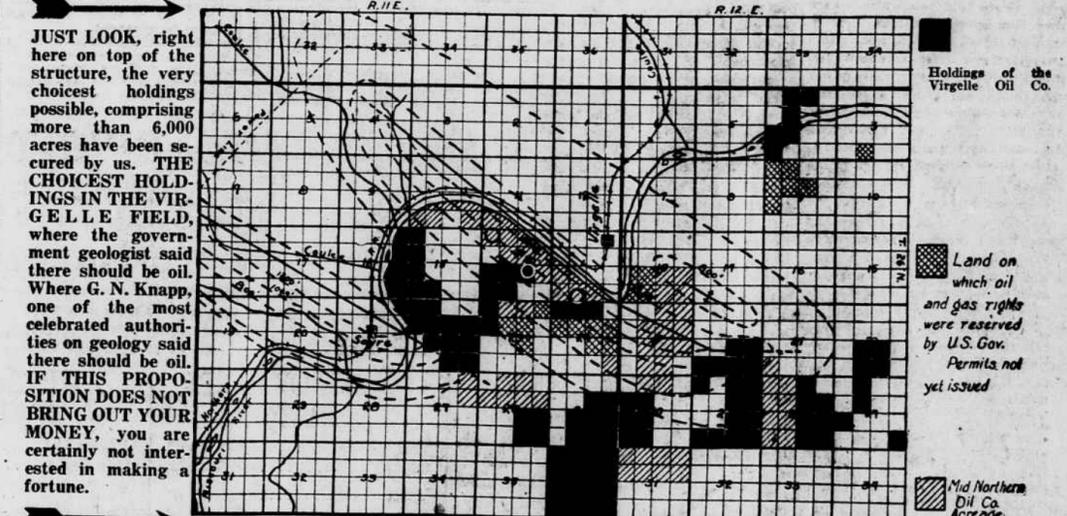
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The very first advertisement that appeared over our signature promised you that we would give you ACTION—that we were going to really do something and we have certainly made good on that promise and expect to continue doing so until the oil is flowing into the tanks of the VIRGELLE OIL COMPANY.

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WE ARE NOW WORKING OUT THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATION for the drilling contract which will start the first well. You probably know us well enough by now to realize that we will not be hasty about this contract. A little time, perhaps a few hours additional time given to careful consideration of this contract, may mean the saving of a vast amount of money to our unitholders. WE HAVE PROMISED YOU THAT YOUR MONEY WOULD NOT BE WASTED, and to that end we are taking every precaution with this proposition that any set of capable, conscientious business men would take that the interests of their partners might be preserved. WE PROMISED YOU ACTION. Well, you realize that ACTION is figured in CENTS as well as in ACTS. The acts are very necessary, but it takes the money to make your partnership with us profitable to all. WE WISH TO STATE RIGHT NOW, to show you that we have been getting AC-

TION, that we have been getting the results from our campaign. Not from a group of haphazard investors, but from the very bone and sinew of the business world—from CAPABLE, BIG, THOUGHTFUL BUSINESS MEN who are capable of separating the sheep from the goats and placing their money where it will count. THAT IS THE CLASS OF MEN TO WHOM OUR PROPOSITION APPEALS, even as it should appeal to you. AT THE RATE SUBSCRIPTIONS HAVE BEEN COMING IN SINCE WE FIRST ANNOUNCED OUR STOCK FOR SALE, IT WILL NOT BE BUT A VERY SHORT TIME UNTIL VIRGELLE WILL HAVE BEEN FULLY AND SUCCESSFULLY FINANCED. WE HOPE THAT THIS NEWS IS AS GRATIFYING TO YOU AS IT IS TO US. It has been a compliment to our proposition, our prospects and the reputations of our officers, who have placed their cards on the table and TOLD THE WHOLE TRUTH at every utterance.



WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP, and will continue to need it until we are fully financed. AND YOU NEED OUR HELP, the assistance which our proposition is able to give you on your upward climb to FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE. So now that it is so evident that we need the help of each other, let us give to each other of this help AND GIVE WITHOUT STINT. WE CAN MUTUALLY PROFIT BY ASSISTING EACH OTHER.

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AND PLEASE REMEMBER, that if you elect to ignore our offer, and without relenting from your decision live on to see our acreage worth MANY MILLIONS, you will have no one to blame but yourself and perchance some JEALOUS HEARTED KNOCKER, who advised you wrong. THEY CAN'T KNOCK OUR PROPOSITION AND TELL THE TRUTH. DO YOU WANT TO LISTEN TO ANYTHING BUT THE TRUTH?

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