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OIL and GAS NEWS

W. P. Higgins of Pooleville has returned from a business trip to Muskogee.

Bull Head Oil Company's No. 8 on the Allie Daney lease in section 4-4-3 is drilling.

Paul van Winkle, who is interested in the Wildcat Jim company, is here from Oklahoma City.

The 1914 Oil Company on the E. Colbert lease, well No. 6 in section 31-3-3 is making 1200 barrels.

The Leasehold and Development Co. drilling west of Ringling, in 29-4-4 is reported to be at a depth of 900 feet.

S. P. Smith of the Stockmans Oil company has returned to the fields from Fort Worth, following the holiday season.

Hivick Bros., on Oklahoma Star No. 2 in section 16-4-3, have drawn the six-inch casing to set a packer on top of the oil sand to shut out the water. The work of drilling in has been delayed on this account.

J. E. Crosbie on the Cruce-Smith lease in section 5-4-3 has made a location for No. 13, and will move in a rig at once.

W. M. Babcock of the Humble company, spent the holidays at Tulsa, and is back in the field.

Roxana Petroleum Company No. 4 on the A. D. Horton farm in section 6-4-3 has been completed and is making 1500 barrels.

McMan Corsicana Companies' No. 35 on the E. T. Richards lease in section 31-3-3 has been completed and is making 1,000 barrels.

There are approximately 3,550,000 barrels of oil in steel storage in the field. Of this amount the McMan Company has about 1,500,000.

J. E. Crosbie No. 9 on the Roy M. Johnson lease in section 5-4-3 reached the sand Wednesday night at about 885 feet. No. 10 on the same lease has been rigged up and will be spudded today. No. 12 on the same lease will be started next Monday.

It is believed by those in close touch with the field that the pipe lines will be running all the way by January 15, that is not going to steel storage.

The Carter Oil Company has made 14 new locations on the H. Z. Ward lease of 110 acres recently purchased from Skelley & Russell in section 6-4-3.

Carlock & Dexter on the Broke-shoulder five acres in section 4-4-3 are drilling at about 450 feet. The Hivicks have the drilling contract. This is well No. 2 on this tract.

R. B. Moore of the Carter company spent the holidays in Oklahoma City with his family, and has gone to Eldorado, Kansas, where there is some excitement in the oil business.

J. Robert Gillam went to Oklahoma City yesterday on business matters, and took advantage of the opportunity to hear Joseph W. Bailey speak last night in the banquet room of the Lee Huckins hotel.

Lamb & Walker have the contract to build the rig for G. E. Burford and others in section 12-6-2 in the north part of Love county and Mr. Lamb states that the rig will be completed by next Tuesday. Drilling is to be begun here within a short time.

G. W. Strawn No. 4 in section 33-3-3 is making 600 barrels. This is the well that was estimated at 1500 barrels when the sand was drilled into on Christmas eve. This well is an unusually good one for that portion of the field.

J. L. Mayfield of Electra, Texas, was in the fields yesterday and was here last night visiting with his former Texas friend, Judge R. A. Heffner. Mr. Mayfield has drifted from the school-teaching profession into the oil business. He will probably be here for several days, and is in the market for some acreage.

Well No. 4 owned by J. L. Hamon on the James ten acre lease in section 10-4-3 which is making water, is being shut off under the supervision of the federal bureau of mines. C. H. Courtney has been sent here by the Muskogee office to do the work. When the water is shut out, the drill will be sent deeper into the oil sand.

Wright & McLennan on the West-belmer property in section 31-3-3 are spudding in a new well. The first well these people drilled was abandoned at 1245 feet and those who know something of the oil business, make the statement that the well should never have been abandoned, that it had many favorable indications, and that the drilling was not deep enough to be considered a test.

Annual Bird Hunt.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Hivick have returned from Jones City, in Oklahoma county, near Oklahoma City. They spent fifteen days with a relative there who has a farm of 300 acres, and Mr. Hivick enjoyed his annual bird hunt. He slew his limit allowed by law and returned home. Mrs. Hivick came with him. They report a very pleasant holiday visit. Mr. Hivick, who is a busy contractor and producer, left this morning for the fields.

Handsome Monthly Income.
Here is a reason why land owners should give earnest and generous co-operation with the men who drill test oil wells. E. T. Richards, who owns some land in the Healdton field, received for his royalty from sales made in October \$30,000. He thought his check for November would reach as much as \$50,000. If the drilling of

an oil well had been left to Mr. Richards, he would probably have died a poor man.

The fellow who spends his money to drill down into the earth should receive the hearty co-operation of land owners. If oil is found the land owner has a fortune out of his royalty. If oil is not found he is certainly not entitled to anything.

Big Folks Interested.

The Fox Pool Oil company has been organized by the election of R. L. Steiner of Claremore as president, B. B. Jones of Bristow as vice-president, and J. Robert Gillam of Ardmore as secretary. Mr. Chas. of the Pierce-Fordyce interests, has stock in the company. Jacob Metzler and Sanger Bros. of Dallas, who at one time figured on taking an interest in the company, did not do so. The company has 320 acres and will drill a well in section 5-2-3, north of the Fox well, drilled by the Gypsy company. C. E. Sykes, who is interested in the location, built the rig. The drilling contract will probably be awarded next Monday. The well is to be drilled to a depth of 2,500 feet, and the 6 5/8-inch casing is to be carried to that depth. If oil is not found at a shallower depth, it is probable that the test will be drilled to 3,000 feet.

INCREASING ITS PRODUCTION
Gypsy Well in New Fox Pool is Wonderful Gas Producer.
Reports from the field today state that the Gypsy Oil company is anchoring the casing preparatory to putting in a gate valve to shut in the gas well which was drilled in section 28-2-3, north of the Healdton field. The well has been open for several days because the company was not equipped to care for such a volume of gas. The volume has been increasing instead of decreasing, while the well was open, which indicates that a very prolific gas sand has been reached. The gas has just a light spray of oil, and it is very probable that as the gas goes out, the oil will come in and that in time the Fox gas well will be an oil well. If the casing is not securely anchored when the well is closed in, the entire string of casing will be blown out. For that reason the company is using due diligence in anchoring the casing.

It is reported that as high as \$150 was offered in that locality yesterday for acreage. Oil men believe that the well looks much better than Holdenville or Paden, where acreage sold as high as \$200.

REPORTED OIL SALE
Premium Offered for Steel Storage Oil. May Mean Pipe Line.
A rumor is going the rounds to the effect that sixteen tanks of oil have been sold in the field at 75c for the oil and 25c for the storage, or in other words oil and storage has been sold at \$1 a barrel. The purchaser is said to be the Texas Company and the sellers are supposed to be the Gates and the Ardworth companies. The Texas Company has no office here and P. C. Dings and B. A. Simpson of these companies were out of the city, for these reasons the report of the sale could not be confirmed. It is known, however, that these companies have been offered a premium for storage oil.

Some of the producers in the field take it to mean that the Texas Company intends to make some big purchases of oil that will justify it in building a six-inch line into the field to connect with its line which runs from Tulsa to Texas and which passes near the town of Durant. So far this is merely talk and our information is not based upon any facts that justify the statement that the sale has been made

or that the pipe line will be built. It has been rumored for several months that the Texas Company would build a line out of Healdton. The company has production in the field. Its operating company is the Producers Oil Company which has production in sections 32-3-3 and in 19-4-3.



Miss Vernice Martyn and a group of spirited dancers in a dizzy whirl of Dancing Sensations, with "September Morn," at the Robison Opera House Saturday Night, January 1st.

PLAN UPRISING IN CHINA

Shanghai Hears Reports of Uprising Planned for Western China. Shanghai, Dec. 30.—An uprising in western China is planned, according to advices received here today, but it is believed that it has little chance of success.

FRISCO'S FIRST SNOW

Ground There Covered With Snow for First Time in Ten Years. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30.—The first snow in ten years covered the ground here today.

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