

# News of the Mines and Oil Fields

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## STANDARD WILL FIGHT FOR FIVE COALINGA WELLS

### SEEKS POSSESSION OF PRODUCING AREA

#### LEASER WILL PROTECT HIS INTERESTS

Oil Record Gives History of Interesting Fight Between George D. Roberts and the Oil Octopus

A lively battle over five big producing wells on the east side of the Coalinga field is promised between the Standard Oil company, which claims ownership of the ground, and George D. Roberts, owner and general manager of the Stockholders' Oil company, which claims a lease on the wells.

#### History of Differences

The Coalinga Oil Record gives the following interesting history of the conflict between the two companies, which dates back several years.

In 1899 Mr. Roberts took a twenty-year lease on the property from the parent Hanford Oil company for its rights. These last three companies were later absorbed by the Standard Oil company.

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## ARIZONA COMPANY ENTERS BONANZA ORE ON CONTACT

### Development Company Performs Mission and Enlarges Scope and Capitalization

The Swissheim Development company is reported to have made an important discovery of argenteiferous ore carrying high values in gold on the west slope of the Swissheim mountains, twenty-five miles from Elbeo.

The Swissheim Development company, having performed its mission, that of proving the existence of payable ore bodies, is to be reorganized into a mining and reduction company, the capital stock to be increased to \$2,000,000.

S. H. Tallman of Phoenix is treasurer of the Swissheim company and M. S. Peysert president. Mr. Peysert has been operating in the Swissheim mountains for five years, and was always confident of the result of development work on the ground owned by the company.

## STEARNS OIL WELL AND RENEWS LIFE

### SEVERAL TESTS APPLIED TO INVENTION

#### New York Physician Claims New and Novel Process for Removing Paraffin Wax Will Prolong Life of Wells

An invention for prolonging the life of oil wells is claimed by Dr. F. A. Monroe of Jamestown, N. Y., and has attracted much discussion and some severe tests in the field where it is claimed that the physician has been able to again bring in wells that have been long since abandoned.

The invention is thus described by an eastern journal:

"The new invention is a steamer, and consists first of a metal tube twelve feet long and four and a quarter inches in diameter in the upper part of this tube is inserted a cylinder containing water, with a small aperture at the bottom regulating the flow to distribute it evenly over the outside of a pipe in the lower part of the cylinder are inserted cast iron billets which have been heated red to white hot; the ends of the tubing are then plugged. At three points in the tubing, near the top, bottom and center, are rows of small holes. The water from the cylinder then, dropped on to these heated billets, generates steam which is forced upward and out of these holes with great force, spraying the paraffin coated walls of the shot-cavity with hot, dry steam.

The process for the cessation of activities on the part of oil wells is the closing of the pores of the oil sands by paraffin is the great evil in the majority of the oil wells. The wax sticks to the rock, and the oil is prevented from passing through the pores of the rock.

This has ever been the bane of the producers. Numerous have been the methods devised to overcome this evil, but the most successful is the one now being used by Dr. Monroe.

"The efficacy of Dr. Monroe's invention has brought him prominently before the oil producing world. The almost universal method up to this time of ridding wells of the paraffin evil has been the primitive blasting process, which has ever been both expensive and unsatisfactory.

## COURTLAND STRIKES ORE CARRYING PICTURE VALUE

Douglas, Arizona, is excited over a reported find of rich gold ore at Courtland, in the north part of Cochise county, the home of the turquoise mines. The ore is said to be of a high grade, and the discovery is being treated as a matter of great importance.

Discussions of the discovery of the Douglas Dispatch of the 23d inst. says: According to reports which reached this city from Courtland yesterday, the ore is of a high grade, and the excitement far exceeding in general interest anything of the kind known in northern Cochise county in many years.

According to the story brought down last night by Charles E. Bolton, a pioneer contractor of the Turquoise town, and backed up by J. C. McInerney, a prominent Douglas mine operator, a ledge of ore has been located on the first of the two hills lying in the Sulphur Springs valley, about one mile from the town of Courtland.

According to Bolton's story the discovery was made by James Herron, proprietor of the Herron townsite, and his partner, Sam Berry. The men were doing assessment work on some copper claims owned by them in the hill in question when the ledge was uncovered by a blast at a depth of seventeen feet. Free gold showed in the rock, some of it being very rich.

Local assays, as stated above, showed values from \$8 to \$2000. Nothing like a stampede has occurred, for all the land in the vicinity has been staked for many months for copper.

## CENTRAL OIL PAYS 3 PER CENT DIVIDEND

Los Angeles stockholders in the Central Oil company, which is operating in the Whittier field, yesterday received the bulk of \$25,000 checked out in payment of the quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. Next month the company will pay monthly instead of quarterly as heretofore, and a one per cent dividend has been postponed, payable November 25.

The company has recently brought in a gusher which produces 32 gravity oil, and on the strength of this the dividend was increased from 2 per cent quarterly to 1 per cent monthly. The company owns 2000 acres in the Whittier field, and has paid to date \$399,881.55 in profits.

Colonel Ed F. Brown, a Denver mining man, is visiting in Los Angeles.

## COPPER CREEK GETS ORE SHOOT ON THIRD LEVEL

### FULL FACE OF CROSSCUT IN GOOD ORE

#### COMPANY SHIPS HIGH GRADE TO SMELTER

#### President Hears Report That Ray Central Has Bought Sasco Smelter and Arizona Southern Railroad

President Sibley of the Copper Creek Mining company, which is building a concentrator at its mines in the Copper basin, Arizona, has received word from the mine that the cross-cut on the 300-foot level of the American Eagle shaft has entered the ore shoot developed on the 200, and at a point fifteen feet in advance of where it was expected, indicating that the shoot has widened. As the vein was fifty feet wide on the 200, the indications for a tremendous shoot of ore are considered good.

While no assays had been made when the superintendent wrote, he stated that the entire face of the cross-cut was in ore of an even better grade than the foot wall showed on the 200 level. The rich portion of the ore on the 200 is still thirty-one feet in advance of the face of the cross-cut.

The values of this shoot are indicated by the returns, which show an average of 20 per cent on the smelter sheets. The company is now shipping a carload a week from this part of the mine, and would increase the output but for inability to get more lead for the 30-mile haul to the railroad. The concentrating plant is about completed, and as soon as the pumping station is in it will be ready for commission.

The Copper Creek telephone line, owned by the company and which has twenty subscribers, is to be extended from Mammoth, where it connects with a local long distance line to the railroad at Winkelman, giving connection with the Western Union direct.

## BUYERS SMELTER AND RAILROAD

Mr. Sibley recently visited the mine, and while there he heard that the Ray Central had purchased the Sasco smelter and the Arizona Southern railroad and would extend the latter north to its mines at Winkelman and south through the Ajo district, rich in copper ores, to St. George on the California Gulf.

The Arizona Southern is a short line, running from Red Rock to Silver Bell. It is owned by the Imperial company, and the Ray Central is in the upper part of the mine of the company were to be included in the deal.

If the report is true the extension of the road to Silver Bell means cheap fuel and coke for that section, and would undoubtedly be followed by the opening up of a number of mines rich in the red metal. The Ray Central is amply financed for the consummation of any plans which it may have made.

## THIRD BLUE MOON LEVY CRITICISED

### PRESIDENT PHELPS GIVES REASON

#### Stockholders Claim Well Was in and Supposed No Further Assessments Would Be Levied by Company

COALINGA, Oct. 25.—Considerable dissatisfaction is expressed by Blue Moon stockholders at the action of the directors in levying the third assessment of 5 cents a share, and in some quarters they have been severely criticised, the claim being made that the well was reported to be in the low level. It is explained that heavy sands have prevented putting the well on the pump, and necessitated deeper drilling.

Z. L. Phelps, president of the company, makes a satisfactory explanation of the conditions which made the assessment necessary. He says that the company is \$10,000 in debt, and that its lease compels the drilling of five wells in succession. It is necessary to raise funds for this purpose and to pay off the company's indebtedness.

The present assessment will provide \$5000 to apply for this purpose. The well has cost to date \$32,500 and the company has raised, by assessments and sale of stock, \$31,400, including the last assessment.

## CANANEA CONSOLIDATED OPERATES EIGHT FURNACES

The Cananea Consolidated at Cananea, Mexico, has put in operation today eight furnaces in operation, for the first time in several months, and will greatly increase its production of copper bullion. To bring the mines up to the production stage for the increase a large additional force of miners has been employed, and business men are rejoicing.

## ADDS NEW ORE BODY TO THE HOATSON MINE

The Superior Pittsburg Mining company has opened on the 1300 foot level of the Hoatson mine in the Warren, Arizona, district, the shoot of rich ore, which was encountered on the 1200 level, adding 100 feet of backs to the available ore. The strike is an important one, as a large deposit of native copper extends through the vein.

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## PRICES OF METALS IN NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Copper week standard spot, Dec. \$12.35. Lead 4.42. Spelter, \$6.10. Tin, \$1.00. Silver, \$1.00. Gold, \$1.00.

## Universalsists in Session

DETROIT, Oct. 25.—Today's program of the biennial convention of the Universalist church was devoted to the work of the Universalist Historical society, the Michigan Universalist missions, and a business session.

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## MINING QUOTATIONS

### Nevada Stocks

Exclusive dispatch to The Herald by L. A. Crisler & Co., members Los Angeles Stock exchange, 200-211 W. Hellman building, Los Angeles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Consolidated was the best trader and the nearest approach to a feature on the Bush street exchange this morning. After a weak opening with \$8.55 bid, it soon recovered to \$8.75, where it closed. Florence was weak and sold off 2 1/2 points. Fraction dropped 1, and Atlanta 1. Datsy was in good demand and held steady at last week's figure.

The Tonopah list was steady, although few changes were recorded. The ore handled by the mills of the Goldfield district last week amounted to 6445 tons, of an estimated value of \$203,575.

Following are the closing quotations:

GOLDFIELD DISTRICT		BID. ASK.	
Adams	11	10	11
Atlanta	10	9	10
Bell	10	9	10
Bonanza	10	9	10
Com. Frac.	61	62	61
Crackerjack	1	1	1
Empire	1	1	1
Florence	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Goldfield	1	1	1
Home King	1	1	1
Keweenaw	1	1	1
MacNamara	25	25	25
Manhattan	1	1	1
Mont Sh. Exp.	1	1	1
North Star	1	1	1
Quinn	1	1	1
Red Hill	1	1	1
Sanford	1	1	1
Shoshone	1	1	1
Union	1	1	1
Val View	1	1	1

## Boston Mining Stocks

Special service to The Herald by R. F. Taylor, 112 West Third street, Los Angeles.

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—The copper market opened fractionally lower all around, but prices have been fairly steady, with the tone generally firmer. Price changes have, however, been made in the afternoon.

There has been a general upward movement in the market, and prices have been about the same level as Saturday. Principal changes have been in the upper part of the market, and prices have been largely confined to old lots. Some of the more important changes are as follows:

OTHER DISTRICTS		BID. ASK.	
Amethyst	1	1	1
Bull N. Bk.	1	1	1
Bonanza	1	1	1
Com. Frac.	1	1	1
Empire	1	1	1
Home King	1	1	1
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## WILL OF FATHER P. F. FARRELY OF PASADENA IS FILED FOR PROBATE IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

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## SUES RAILWAY COMPANY

Clementina J. Hart, who says she was seriously injured by being thrown from a starting Pico street car near Bonnie Brae street, yesterday filed suit in the superior court yesterday against the Los Angeles Railway company for damages of \$500.

## FORMER BANKER CARLSON REFUSES AID OF LAWYER

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## NEW INCORPORATIONS

The following articles of incorporation were filed in the county clerk's office yesterday:

Snowstorm Extension Copper Mining company, capital \$1,000,000, directors: A. J. Richardson and R. Brown. Ocean Park; W. B. Hervey and Frank Monaghan, Santa Ana, and Calvin W. Brown, Los Angeles.

Eastman & Curtis corporation, capital \$75,000, directors: J. M. Smith, Long Beach; William C. Curtis and E. L. Raymond, Los Angeles.

International Chemical company, capital \$25,000, directors: J. M. Smith, A. J. Riley, Los Angeles; W. H. Bradley, Pasadena, and William Harker and Harry Harker, Alhambra.

A certified copy of the articles of incorporation of the Pacific Portland Cement company, Portland, Ore., with a capital of \$500,000, was also filed. The directors are Gay Lombard, F. T. Greer and J. V. Beach.

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# News of the Courts

## CONTEST FOR BOY TAKEN 'CROSS SEAS

### FOLLOWS MARRIAGE IN SOUTH AFRICA GOLD FIELDS

#### Next Taken to New Zealand and Then Wife Appears Here and Demands Her 11-Year-Old Son

A legal contest for the possession of an 11-year-old boy has been carried on from Auckland, New Zealand, to the court when it was learned she still possessed \$700 or \$800 of a former allowance by Reeves on a court order two weeks ago.

The Reeves were married in Johannesburg, South Africa, in 1897, where the son, Charles John Reeves, now 11 years old, was born. They removed to Lake Takapuna, Auckland, N. Z., where domestic dissensions became frequent. Reeves stating that his wife tried to shoot him, threatened him with a carving knife, and finally resorted to her finger nails, scratching his face terribly.

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Following suits for divorce were filed yesterday: Ella May Baldwin against Howard Thomas Baldwin, Jessie E. Johnston against James C. Johnston, Florence Anna Spencer against Harry Spencer, E. W. Thaxter against Ella Thaxter, May Pollard against Reuben M. Pollard, Frances Sowlinski against Louis Sowlinski and Sarah A. Hehner against Hiram Hehner.

## COURT DISCHARGES MAN WHO VIOLATES PROBATION

### Paroled Prisoner Goes to Washington Without Court's Permission and Draws a Good Farm

Archie Anderson has made good. Technically he violated his probationary sentence when he left California and went to the state of Washington without permission of the court. He was placed on probation for three years, with orders not to leave the jurisdiction of the court without permission. He reported to Judge Wilbur yesterday, stating his good fortune in drawing a claim in the government's big land lottery and his violation of the probationary sentence was not only overlooked but he was discharged with a clean bill to go to his new home.

## BISHOP AND CHURCH NOT FORGOTTEN BY DEAD PRIEST

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Ophir	1.97 1/2	1.85	2.05
Gold & Curry	1.15	1.15	1.15
Com. Frac.	1.42 1/2	1.45	1.50
Hale & Norcross	1.57	1.58	1.60
Yellow Jacket	1.25	1.30	1.40
Confidence	1.25	1.25	1.25
Sierra Nevada	1.58	1.54	1.65
Beaumont	1.74	1.77	1.79
Chollar	1.20	1.21	1.23
Pitcair	1.65	1.60	1.65

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The latest report deals entirely with the extent to which the disease prevails in the south. New Orleans reports two deaths from pellagra for July and one death for August. Two cases are reported from Camden, S. C., for the week ended October 9. Up to September 1 twenty-one cases are reported from Texas.

## Japanese Inspect Schools

BOSTON, Oct. 25.—Trips to various industrial establishments at Lynn, Beverly and Lawrence for the men and to the large educational institutions for the women of the party were the principal features of the Japanese honorary commercial commissioners' last day here.

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