

NEWS OF THE MINES AND OIL FIELDS

ECHOES FROM OIL FIELDS SHOW BIG PRODUCTION

American Oil Co. Gusher Came Too Soon for the Management

As has been previously announced in these columns, the American Oil Fields company, of which Thomas A. O'Donnell is president and manager, recently brought in a gusher on section 22-22-24, in the Midway field. The big well is an 800-barrel property of 24 gravity oil. Owing to the fact that facilities were not at hand for marketing the oil the American company did not want to bring in the big well at this time, but the new gusher broke away from them before they were ready. The well was capped, however, and is not flowing at the present time, according to later advices received. Not much oil was shot out before the superintendent had it capped and stopped.

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STRIKE ON THE BAILEY NEAR CACTUS SPRINGS

Nevada Hills Mine Sends Out Carloads of Rich Ore

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It is stated at Reno that the Nevada Hills mine have reached Fallon and that the ore has been shipped from that point. It is also stated that the ore will average \$700 a ton, and that at the present time there is more than \$3,000,000 worth of this ore in sight in the mine.

GREENE CANAREA RECORD SHOWS INCREASED OUTPUT

For the first six months of 1910 the Greene-Canarea Copper company produced 23,600,000 pounds of copper, an increase of 500,000 pounds over the silver produced, 522,000 ounces, is a new high record for the company. The gold output of 2900 ounces is slightly less than a year ago.

The production for the half year was 23,622,000 pounds of copper, as compared with 23,044,000 pounds last year; 522,000 ounces of silver, against 518,000 ounces and 288 ounces of gold against 3154 in the half year in 1909.

The heavy silver values which have been encountered in the Indiana-Coleman are a favorable factor. In the two years of the Cole-Ryan management the total output has been 87,187,000 pounds of copper, 1,592,000 ounces of silver and 11,830 ounces of gold.

MIDWAY NORTHERN OIL CO. WELL IS GUSHING

Management Prepared to Market the Product in Midway Field

Sam M. Warmbath, secretary of the Midway Northern Oil company, returned to Los Angeles yesterday from a sojourn of several weeks in the Midway oil fields, where the company now has a producing well in section 22, 22-23.

Warmbath reports that a six-inch gushing stream has been inserted into the well and when the cap is removed the oil now shoots over the crown blocks. The oil, as tested by a representative of the Standard Oil company is 19.3 gravity and is said to be the best fuel oil in that field. Two sump holes have been dug with a capacity of 3500 barrels and two 1000-barrel gauge tanks have just been erected.

About 12,000 feet of pipe line is now being laid for the purpose of marketing the oil and a contract has just been made for marketing the product at a good price.

The company, of which E. G. Ekstrom is president, is now preparing to begin work on section 23, and is believed that this well will be spudded in a short time.

VALUABLE STEAMER SAVED BY FUEL OIL IN HARBOR

Ship Owners and Insurance Companies Strong for Oil

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—An important new point in favor of burning oil as fuel by steamships was developed by the fire which destroyed the pier of the Metropolitan Steamship company, according to an official of the company who was interviewed by the Harvard.

When the alarm was given the Harvard did not have an ounce of steam in her boilers and was utterly at the mercy of the flames at that time, but rush orders were given to get steam up at once.

In about a minute her boilers were hot, the official referred to said, and in five minutes she had a full head of steam and was able from the first to give assistance to the tug which were hauling her into midstream out of range of the flames.

The damage to the Harvard consists chiefly of blistered paint, which can be repaired for about \$1000 and without interference with the boat's regular runs. The company will have to rebuild the pier at a cost of about \$275,000, according to its contract with the city. The work will take from six to eight months. Until this can be done the line will run its vessels from the Rector street pier.

DIVIDENDS PAID BY OIL PRODUCING COMPANIES

The monthly statement of the San Francisco stock exchange shows that the listed oil companies paid \$1,474,569 in dividends for the month of July, 1910, making a grand total of \$33,607,165 paid in dividends to investors.

WISE COURSE TO PURSUE IN BUYING OIL STOCKS

State Mineralogist Suggests Pertinent Queries Before Payment

State Mineralogist Lewis E. Aubrey, in his effort to protect the investing public against fraudulent oil companies, says people should make particular inquiries in whose name they are asked to invest. Aubrey suggests the following questions for them to ask and see that the information is reliable:

Has the advertising oil company under consideration a title to the alleged oil land being exploited?

In what manner and for what consideration was it acquired? Is the land actually within proved or unproved territory?

Are the officers of the company who have under consideration in good standing? (Obtain a report on them from some reliable commercial agency.) "It is not intended that these suggestions shall alarm the investing public to an unhealthy degree," declared Aubrey, in commenting on his suggestions. "Nor is it intended to convey the idea that there are not any number of perfectly honest and legitimate enterprises worthy of consideration or investment or that wildcatting in unproved territory is not the true source of the present wonderful production of oil in California and elsewhere. It is intended to encourage from those who fully understand the chances they are taking and who can afford to invest in what may properly be called a gamble, but it is intended to stimulate the stock-buying public into making a more thorough and careful investigation before placing its money in the hands of those who are not above the criminal misrepresentations contained in their exaggerated advertising literature."

YAUQUI MINE SMELTER SOON TO BE IN ACTION

Of great importance is the announcement that the plant of the Yaquui Smelting & Refining company, at Toledo, Ures district, Sonora, 150 kilometers north of Corral, in the Corral branch of the Mexican Southern Pacific railroad, after being shut down for three years on account of the high cost of fuel, is being put in order for service. The company expects to blow in the smelter before the rainy season begins. Ore is being shipped to the plant which is in the heart of a rich mineral district. The company owns a number of groups of properties with good fluxing ores. The original intention was to use lead as a collector, but it has been decided to use copper, as not sufficient lead is available for continuous runs.

The smelter is on the west bank of the Yaquui river on a hillside, and the sampling works and bedding patio are above the level of the food floor. The equipment consists of a 30x100 inch furnace, a 26-inch round furnace and a reverberatory furnace for fines and slag dust. The smelter has a daily capacity of 50 tons. There is also a refinery. The power plant consists of two engines, one an Erie high-speed belt to a 25-kw generator for light and power.

There is an ice plant and machine shop. Native wood is used as fuel, but later coal will be used from La Barranca coal mine, about eight miles distant. George P. Hyde, formerly of the El Paso smelter, had charge of this plant in the strenuous days of the Yaquui war, having a narrow escape from being massacred along with several of the owners.

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Polly and the Magic Goose: A Modern Fairy Story By Helena Davis.

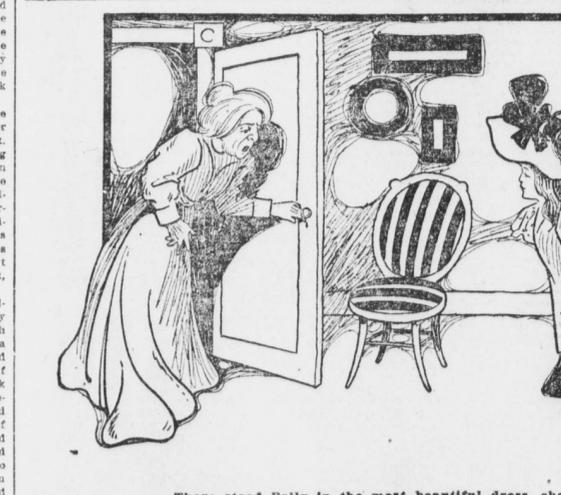
Polly was the name of a little orphan girl who lived with a very wicked old couple in the country near to a great city. In this great city lived the married daughter of the wicked couple, and she was the mother of a little daughter just the age of the orphan Polly. But her life was full of plenty, and her parents and grandparents all wicked, selfish people who cared only for their own humored her every wish. Not so was it with Polly. Polly was one of those who had to earn her crust, and she was paid doubly for her work, being made a veritable slave-child by the wicked old man and woman who had taken her at her mother's death, with a promise to protect and educate her as though she were a child of their own. But this promise had never been kept sacred for one day, for the very day the Polly accompanied the old folks to their home they set severe tasks for her to perform. And when Polly had completed the tasks she was hungry all the time—never having had enough food during the day to be called one meal—and that she was cold in the damp basement room where she slept, and very weary from the heavy tasks set for her to perform. Her mother, who was a miser and had her miserly ways, said: "Now, little beggar, complain of your home again, will you? Do you relish beatings more than work? If so, let us hear some more complaints of your food, bed and work."

slaving, freezing and starving till there seemed little life left in her body. One day there came a letter to the old woman from her daughter in the city saying: "Dear Mother: I shall pay you a visit with my mother and my sister. Take care of my head today that she wants to go to the country for a little visit, and Margery's wish must be obeyed. Have everything in readiness to give her a little surprise party on the night of our arrival. It will be so pleasant to see her, and she has such a function given in her honor. Spare no pains to make the party one of a unique nature and I will settle all the bills. Your loving daughter, Stella."

about to scratch a match to light a bit of candle that stood on the shelf a bright light as of a hundred candles flashed about her. The room was warm and beautifully furnished. Where the rude cot had been stood a dainty bed with warm down coverlets. A bright fire sparkled in a grate which had miraculously appeared in one side of the room. Polly could not speak for a minute, then she cried in a low voice: "Oh, am I dreaming?" Answering her cry came a sweet voice from the doorway behind her: "No, my dear child, you are not dreaming. All you see is real." Polly turned to behold a fairy standing

Who is He?

A little chap who sneaks about Finishing children's toes; Who treats them in a manner cool, And paints quiet red their noses. Who strikes the flowers in full quite dead, And makes the autumn chill; Who comes when least expected At night when all is still. He comes around just once a year; And never does he get lost! He's sometimes early, sometimes late, But we're sure to have Jack Frost. ANNIE JAMES.



There stood Polly in the most beautiful dress, shoes, jacket and hat.

CONUNDRUMS.

When all beans like dudes? When all swelled up? Why is hush like an old maid? It's something left-over. When are little girls like windows? When they have shades. When is a tooth like a leg? When plugged. Why is the man on the gallows like a drunkard? He has taken one drop too much.

Limerick.

There was a bad boy who did try To smoke a cigar, Mercy-my! His stomach did ache, And his legs they did quake, And he really thought he would die.