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WINSLOW OIL COMPANY DISCUSS ACTIVITIES

The Winslow Oil company of this city held its third annual meeting here, Friday the fifth.

There is evidently much interest in oil among the stockholders as more than nine-elevenths of all stock issued was represented in person or by proxy. The company has only issued 55,000 shares, or less than one-twenty-fifth of the original stock capitalization, and there were 47,173 shares represented.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year; E. A. Sawyer, W. G. Kelly, C. V. Smith, R. L. Moore and W. L. Lyons. This would seem to be a good capable board for the management of the company. E. A. Sawyer is president, R. L. Moore vice-president, and Julian Harbin secretary.

There was much discussion as to the probability of having the company's leases drilled. It seems that the company has issued certain operating contracts, and that the leasee, or the operating companies have not actually begun drilling, and there was some dissatisfaction; the contracts are considered good, but no test wells have commenced.

During the meeting, and after the meeting had adjourned, the various stockholders considered the matter of drilling themselves. They realized the importance of having one test well completed. It was suggested that there were plenty of drilling contractors with first class line of tools, that will risk their time, service, tools and management for a royalty, if the company would secure funds to pay the labor and furnish the casing as needed. It was estimated that in this way a well could be proved from \$20,000 to \$25,000. Such an amount could no doubt be raised by the stockholders of the company.

This would seem to be a very plausible plan to have one well sunk and actually proved. However, on the other hand, as some of the stockholders openly expressed themselves. To begin now, spot the well site, secure your contractors, raise the money, build a derrick, and all other preliminaries, a well could not be commenced in less than 60 to 90 days, and according to all definite data at hand, it could not be finished in less than four to six months, even with the best of luck. So in this manner it would take likely six to nine months to prove the field, while it would likely seem a better plan to first have one of the wells now in the field proven which would be of untold value to leaseholders, business men and citizens of this town and county, and as we understand, the Winslow Oil company is a lease holding company having twenty odd sections on the field and of many of same located or adjoining present drilling wells.

It seems to be the consensus of opinion among the stockholders to see what could be done towards aiding, or insuring the completion of the Holbrook Oil Company well which they seemed to think the best early or immediate chance of proving the field. It is said that it is likely the deepest hole, the largest being eight inches at the bottom, and the only well in the field that has a first class standard rig complete. It

WHY NOT A CONFIDENCE WEEK

Today this country is like a man who has finally recovered from a long spell of sickness but who does not realize that he has recovered. He is pretty nearly all right in all but thinking so.

We've had all kinds of nonsensical uplift "weeks"—only graft for time-wasters. What our country needs now is a Confidence Week! A real, wholesome, straight-from-the-shoulder conviction that everything is O. K. once more will start a wave of confidence and carry the country to success. Confidence will cure the sick man on his feet. But where is the big business leader to personify confidence, to start the wave of national confidence?

FEEDING RUSSIA

We note in dispatches from Washington that as a reward for releasing about Twenty Americans who have been held prisoners in Russia by the Lenin-Trotsky government, America is to furnish food for about a million sufferers over there. And at a distance it looks as though it might have been a well thought out scheme on the part of the Bolshevik leaders, who are directly responsible for famine conditions, to secure relief from the outside. Naturally we do not want to withhold a crust that would give comfort to a hungry man, woman or child. America's big heart would not be what the world knows it to be if she refused even one in distress.

But it does seem to us, everything considered, that at the same time we are furnishing this food there should be some way devised to punish those who made its giving necessary and who imprisoned our own people without reason or excuse. Lenin and Trotsky are red-handed criminals of the worst type. We are certain every citizen of Holbrook will agree with us there. Then why should they not be called to account for bringing about conditions which make it necessary for this or any other nation to feed a million starving people?

We are not making a bid for another war—nor for even a skirmish. For it would require neither a war or a skirmish to straighten up that Russian outfit as it should be straightened up. Lock Lenin and Trotsky in the same prison in which they locked Americans, and Russia would not only return thanks to her rescuers but she would start at once on the road that leads to happiness and prosperity.

FOR DISCUSSION

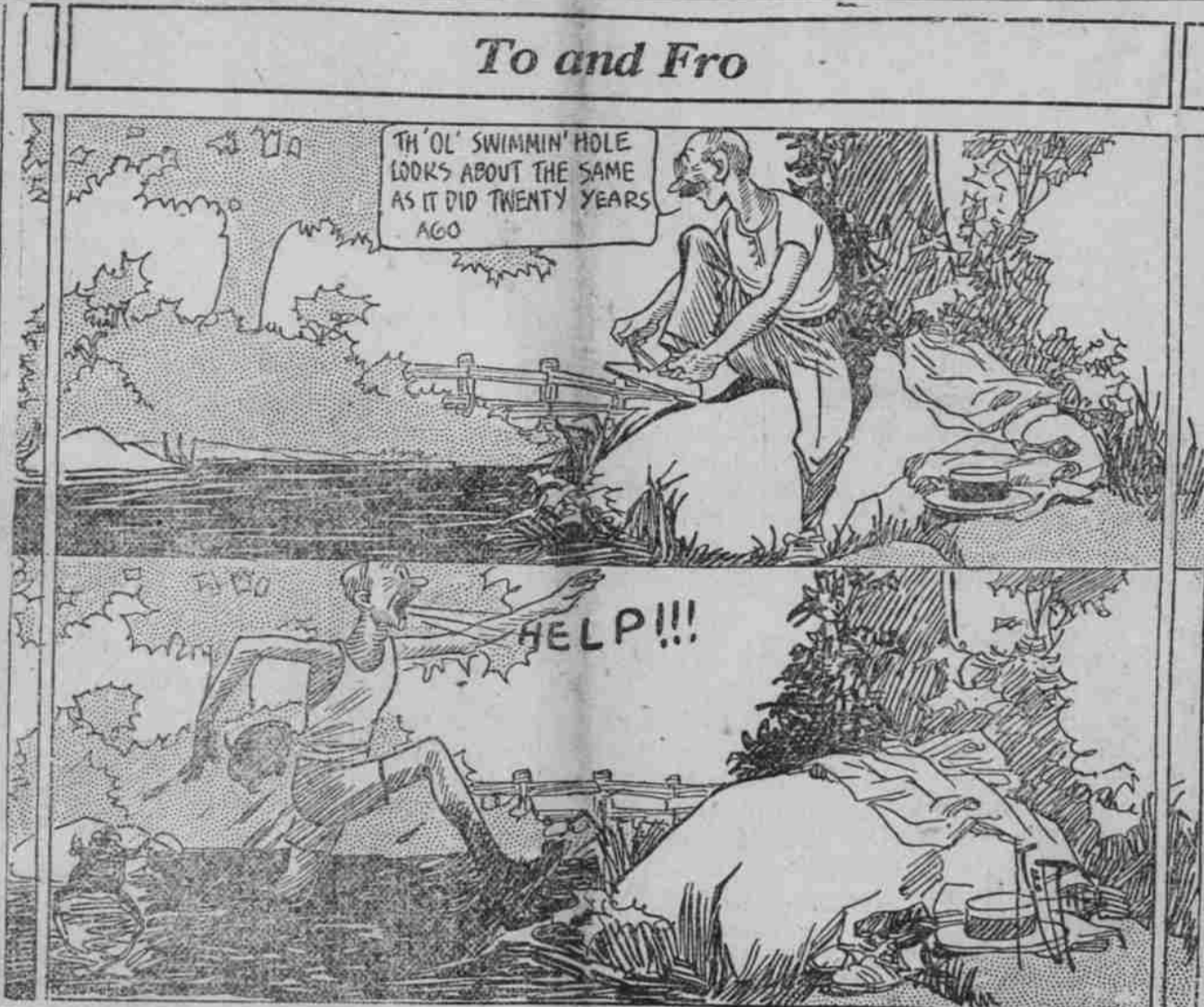
The News invites you to use its columns in presenting your views on the Water and Sewer Contract. Arguments will be printed impartially. We shall be glad to present your views.

Last Sunday at Winslow, the Holbrook Browns lost to the Winslow South Siders by a score of 15 to 12. We were unable to get full particulars regarding the game, but understand that it was a well played and hard fought game.

is strongly intimated that this well has had some most encouraging oil showings, although the company has not advertised this fact.

As the Winslow Oil company has leases near this well, it would of course be of vital interest to that company and the stockholders to have it proved up as an early winner and this seems probable.—Winslow Mail.

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FOR DISABLED "VETS"

The Veteran "Cleanup" Campaign, California, Arizona and Nevada, begins today (August 15,) as previously announced in these columns. Two squads with a full complement of medical examiners and representatives of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Public Health Service and Federal Board for Vocational Education will begin their tours from opposite ends of the state. The northern unit begins today in Eureka and will work through the northern and central parts of the state, closing its tour in Nevada.

The southern unit begins at Visalia, going through Southern California and finishes its work in Arizona.

The success of this effort to reach the disabled men and women of the late war, in the main, depends upon the cooperation of local agencies as it is impossible for the cleanup squad to remain long in one place. Now is the time to bring to the attention of government representatives in person, worthy cases of disabled service people who have either been neglected or who have failed to apply for the provisions already made for their relief.

In the larger centers, it has been comparatively easy to reach the majority of the disabled. In the larger towns and cities, relief agencies have both ample facilities and extensive experience in preparing the necessary "paper work" for claimants.

The real problem lies in getting in touch with the large number of ex-service men who have returned to the ranches, mines and remote sections. Many of these men constitute the most deserving cases, who, being out of touch, are either unaware of the provisions made for their benefit or who do not feel equal to the task of unwinding the mass of red tape which they learned from their military experience, surrounds everything connected with Washington.

It is particularly for the benefit of this portion of our deserving veterans that the present drive has been organized and for that reason the larger centers will receive less attention than the more remote sections.

In these regions, where many a game veteran has returned to his home or the scenes of his former employment, grimly determined to "make the best of it," news travels slowly. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the patriotic duty which devolves upon all of us to carry "the glad tidings" to every disabled "vet" within possible reach. Instead of condemning the government for being remiss in its duty toward these men, let us as good citizens, embrace the opportunity at this time to cooperate with the government in discharging its obligations to its preservers and our defenders. This squadron will be in Winslow, Saturday, Sept. 24th.

The Limelight

Question. "What is your name?" Answer. "W. W. Franklin."

"Where were you born?"

"Des Moines, Iowa."

"What is your age?"

"Thirty-five."

"What is your business?"

"Overland Dealer."

"What is the extent of your education?"

"High School."

"Married or single?"

"Married."

"Why?"

"Didn't know any better."

"What was your boyhood ambition?"

"Join the army and see the world."

"What do you think of life?"

"Very Good."

"How is business?"

"Things are looking better."

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVE IN NAVAJO AND APACHE CO'S.

Monday Sept. 19th. Winslow 10:00; a. m.; St. Joseph, 2:00 p. m.; Tuesday Sept. 20th. Bagar 9:00 a. m. St. Johns 2:00 p. m. (B. B. Crosby.) Wednesday Sept. 21st. Snowflake 9:00 a. m. (O. D. Flake, J. H. Frost.) Holbrook 2:00 p. m. (James Reeder.) Representative, R. B. Thompson. Title: Poultry Husbandman, Subject: Poultry Culling.

Interested communities desiring demonstrations or meetings in Agriculture or Home Economics are requested to write the Agricultural Extension Service, Tucson, and when possible schedules of state-wide workers will be lengthened to include later requests. First consult your County Agent, our local representative.

NEW CASHIER FOR MERCHANTS AND STOCKGROWERS BANK

Mr. L. E. Holcomb, formerly with the Salt River Bank, Mesa, Ariz., has assumed the duties of cashier of the Merchants and Stockgrowers Bank.

Mr. Holcomb will add very materially to the official strength of our most substantial banking institution. Judge Thomas will no doubt, be relieved of a great deal of his arduous duties by this addition.

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To and Fro

Petrificado's Note Book

This seems to be a small world after all. Last evening at the Middle River post office we listened to a sedate old gentleman relate his experience while visiting the petrified forest over in Arizona, just 904 miles from the point of the pencil where this is being written. He was very lavish in his praise of the Cuisine--and the cussing at the Adamana Hotel. I ask him if the bill of fare was not very similar to other first class hotels. He said no, at no other hotel do they serve cottage cheese for desert. Then I asked this old patriarch his name. He replied, Von Hildegaard. Then I understood why he liked the cheese.

The patrons of the Santa Fe at Middle River are being stung these days. Not on their freight rates, but on most every other part of their anatomy by a swarm of bees that found a lovely knot hole in the depot platform near the main entrance. The bees evidently think they have solved the problem of high hive rent, as well as having some fun with the patrons as they pass to and fro over their new home.

On learning of the terrible automobile accident that befell Mr. Price Evans, former Navajo county boy and brother or conductor Ben Evans of Winslow, we journeyed to Stockton for a short visit with Mr. Evans and found him convalescing nicely under the kindly and efficient care of the sisters of St. Joseph's Hospital at that place. We found at his bedside his mother, a sister and her two children of Oroville, California. Mr. Evans informed us that several weary weeks must elapse before he could again resume his duties as a truck driver.

While in Stockton visiting brother Evans, we were invited to view the beautiful county court house of San Walk-in county. We found it permanently located one block west and one-half block south of the county jail. This imposing structure is artistically adorned on its gilded and glittering dome with the regulation emblem to wit: A statue representing a young lady of about 18 mild summers, holding in her right hand, which in this case is located at the outer end of her right arm, a pair of scales or balances slightly tipped. We noticed the words Native Sons Of the Golden West painted on the one that was lowest. I rather suspect that the extra paint is what tipped those scales of justice in favor of the N. S. of the G. W. On the greensward below is a historic cannon, which at present is trained on the building housing the Democratic Central Committee for San Joaquin county. I do not suppose this building is in much danger, however, as the cannon balls piled at the foot of the cannon are two inches greater in diameter than the mouth of the cannon.

We have experienced the sensation of being a leading citizen of Middle River—the rest of the citizens were following (pretty tolerable close the last we seen of them) We landed two or three more stations east of Middle River at a village named Holt, where we have taken a new holt on everything. So the readers of the NEWS may know, this burg is located mid-way between Whiskey Gulch and Trapper's

BASE BALL SUNDAY HOLBROOK—WINSLOW

This should be one of the best games of the season. These teams have met but once, and victory went to Holbrook. Winslow has a top notch team, and certainly is a worthy opponent for our team.

Let's see a big crowd—a crowd full of pep. Remember, Sunday Aug. 21st.

BASE BALL

'Twas a real ball game! No tears and no laughter. The winner's escutcheon may well bear a full length portrait of Justitia. Earned runs, two. One each. Errors! alas! Holbrook four, Leupp two.

There's your old amusement. Both teams worked unusually well, but for the lapse into errorism. Leupp's work could hardly be improved upon. With exception of their two errors, they played air tight ball of a high class brand.

Holbrook's four errors lost them whatever chance they had of winning. Taken all, in all the game was a beautiful exhibition of pastiming. The score:

R H E
Leupp 000 012 000 3 9 2
Holbrook 100 001 000 2 6 4
Batteries: Spencer and Greeley; Reuter and Buckles.

Summary: Two base hits, Silas and Buckles; struck out by Reuter 5, by Spencer 3; double plays, Leupp 2, Holbrook, 1; left on bases, Leupp 6; Holbrook, 4; earned runs, Leupp, 1; Holbrook 1.

Time: 1:30.
Umpires: Freeman and Voelker.

Nation's Gas Tank 808,552,000 Gallons

Our gasoline stocks are still on the increase. We had about 808,552,000 gallons on hand on June 1st, at the refineries, which is approximately 61,321,000 gallons over the May 1st figures, also a record holding. It is evident that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey is now operating at 75 per cent capacity, and thus reducing its output of refined oil products to meet the competition of increased gasoline supply.

Slough. The population is equally divided between Chinamen and section foremen.

Just at present there is a tong war going on in and around Holt among the Chinese. This "Tong" war is very new and interesting to us, we having heard of rolling pin wars, flat iron wars and rumors of wars, but no "Tong" wars. It all started over some "chink" stealing Mr. Durn Yew Chuey's wife, which according to their queer oriental custom seems to be very offensive to a wife's husband to have her stolen, as the husband as soon as he finds out his wife has been stolen, invariably gets a pair of nice heavy Tong and goes "Tonging" for his "benefactor," (or what ever it is you call it in Chinese) and when found he belts him over the head with his tongs, which has the effect of straightening his eyes, after which he soon expires. The Santa Fe here has issued orders to keep all tie tongs, rail tongs and house tong: under lock when not in use.

W. O. Morgan

ATTENTION LADIES

A Viavi Health Talk at the Central School will be given Free to ladies and girls over twelve years of age. Monday evening at eight o'clock. The subject: "Three most Vital Periods in A Woman's Life and How to Meet Them". Mrs. A. Genevieve Oakes. The speaker comes to us from Phoenix; cordially invites you all to be present.—adv.

Look What He Got

A miser was scoring a hired man for his extravagance in wanting to carry a lantern when calling on his girl. "The idea," he scoffed. "When I was courtin' I never carried no lantern. I went in the dark." The hired man proceeded to fill the lantern. "Yes," he said sadly, "and look what you got."—New York Daily News.