

WELLS INCREASE PRODUCTION

Properties at Eastland Show Gain in Yield When Deepened.

Eastland, Texas, Sept. 6.—After making a production of 250 barrels per day for two weeks from the upper part, the States Oil corporation's well on the T. Y. Butler property, five miles northeast of Eastland, began making 3000 barrels per day at a depth of 3570 feet Wednesday evening.

A mile west of this property the Ranger block, also owned by States Oil, has been producing 1100 barrels daily with a production of 800 barrels. This well exceeded all expectations when it increased its flow to 2500 barrels. More conservative reports place the increase at 3000 barrels per day.

The T. Y. Butler property is near the Littleton tract on which the States Oil company is drilling a well. It is a mile northeast of the Perkins, Alberta and Balmores wells, upon which property States Oil is drilling. It is showing indications of production at an early date.

The States Oil company is expected to show production any moment. It is situated within 1000 feet of the States well, which is now being drilled to a depth of 3570 feet. It is expected to produce a production of 3000 barrels per day.

The production of Potent No. 4 has settled down to 6000 barrels per day and is making some salt water, however, not enough to prove detrimental to the well.

On the Rose tract the Mook well was shut without notice for two days last week and then plugged back to 2385 feet and shot. The well is making 1000 barrels per day. The States Oil company is drilling a well on the Rose tract, which is now being drilled to a depth of 3570 feet.

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Hueco Field Is Like Ranger In Many Respects

Hal. Christie Has Been Over Both; Enthusiastic Over Outlook Here.

Hal E. Christie, wife and a party of friends have returned from a visit to the Hueco field. The company's well in Hueco basin, 10 miles east of El Paso, much pleased with the progress of work for drilling the first well. They found the derrick completed, the boiler and engine in place and everything practically ready for starting when E. G. Moss, the drilling contractor, arrives from California. He is expected any day. The fuel oil now being hauled to the well site and water is already on hand for drilling.

Mr. Christie said, on his return from the well.

"Having been over the Ranger field several times and taking into consideration the geological reports already obtained by the company on the Hueco field, the possibilities for oil looked very encouraging to me. The country is the same rolling country, the rock formation being very similar to the Ranger field. It is a gamble, but I believe Hueco Basin has an excellent chance. If oil is found, nothing can stop El Paso's growth. We ought to be the largest city in Texas in a short while."

GOOD ROADS PROPOSED FOR THE OIL FIELDS

Ranger, Texas, Sept. 6.—Sand is what must be overcome in the highways of Eastland county oil fields. There are some black sand soils. A trip through the oil fields, for instance, from Ranger to Jakeshamon, in the Duke-Kovacs pool, is a series of sand beds, which are very difficult to travel on. In a long, dry spell, the mud must help to push the car along at intervals of unusually long sand.

Improvement of oil field roads is now being undertaken in most of the Texas oil territory. Between Ranger and Jakeshamon the availability of good roads is a matter of great importance. Plans are being made on improvements and there is a prospect for good roads in many parts of the field.

DENIES TAXES COMPANY HAS PLANS FOR REORGANIZING

The Wall Street Journal is authority for the statement that John J. Mitchell, of Chicago, director of the Texas company, denies there is a plan on foot for the reorganization of that great oil concern. Mitchell stated that some time ago a special committee had been appointed to consider the matter of reducing the par value of the shares for greater convenience in trading. This committee has not reported. Such a plan would not affect the holdings of the stockholders.

DRILLING TO BE RESUMED IN BUCKNER WELL NO. 1

A Sweetwater, Texas, report is to the effect that the Buckner well No. 1, on the Hitter Creek block, nine miles southwest of El Paso, has set the 10 inch casing at about 1500 feet and has resumed drilling. The plan is to put this well down 2500 feet if necessary. The Lake Trammel well in the Sweetwater section is down 1700 feet.

LEASING GRAVEYARD FOR OIL WELL LOCATIONS

Fort Worth, Texas, Sept. 6.—A number of good offers have been made the Pleasant Grove Methodist church, west of El Paso, for the leased portion of the graveyard for drilling purposes. Bob Fain, of Fain and Choate, has secured the lease of the property and a rig will be set up and drilling started at once. Those in charge of the cemetery state that the money secured by the lease of the property will be used in beautifying the cemetery. Headstones will be placed at all unmarked graves.

DESDEMONA WELLS FAIL

Desdemona, Texas, Sept. 6.—The Magnolia Petroleum company's No. 1, on the C. T. Turrell property, which came in several months ago with a daily production of 6000 barrels, has slumped off to ten barrels per day. The No. 2, on the same property, has stopped making production entirely. The company will clean out the two wells and try to revive production. It is expected that the No. 2 will be a smaller similar to the No. 1 and will be at the time of its completion.

WARNING TO INVESTORS

Don't buy stocks or bonds until you have first had information of TEXAS OIL FIELDS

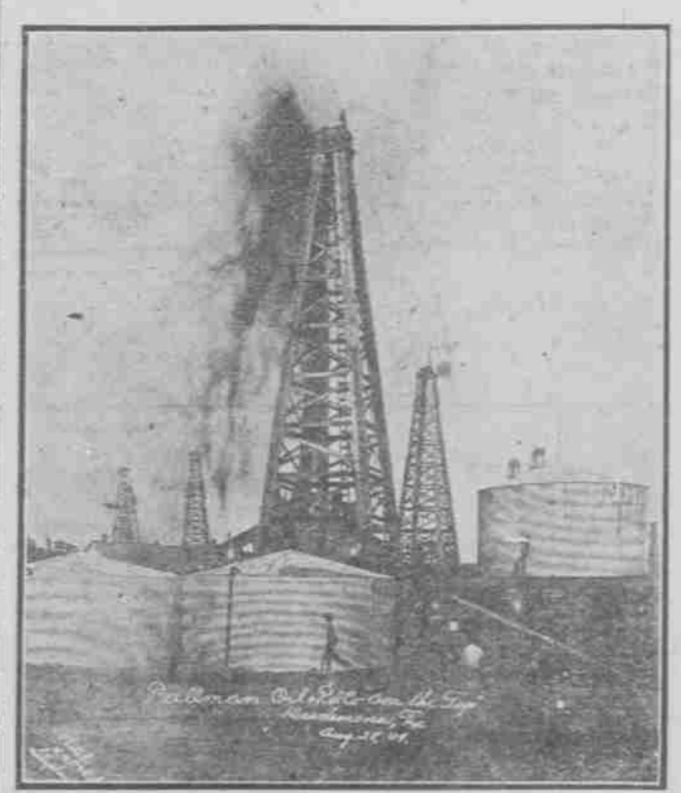
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Derrick And Tank Of Well Drilled By El Pasoans In Desdemona Field



PHOTOGRAPH of derrick and tanks, with the oil shooting above the top of the derrick, in the Pullman well in the Desdemona field. The Pullman Oil Company is an El Paso institution, organized principally by army officers at El Paso, including Col. John Pullman and Col. F. W. Glover.

El Paso Buyers Of Oil Stock Wax Optimistic As The Golden Flow Increases Value Of Their Stocks

THE period of waiting on the part of El Pasoans who invested in oil appears to have passed.

Though there has been a tone with on the part of some, so many stockholders in El Paso promoted oil companies are now receiving offers of increased prices for their stock that there is a great deal of optimism and very little pessimism.

While no actual dividends have yet been paid to stockholders of El Paso formed companies the increase in the value of stocks as a result of successful drilling has made almost everybody happy. In practically every instance where El Pasoans bought stock in El Paso promoted companies, every stockholder could get out today with a considerable profit.

A check for more than \$20,000 in the form of pipe line receipts has been received by one El Paso company (the Hueco-Ranger), but the money has not been distributed to the stockholders. However, it is being used to put down another well and stock is accordingly rising in value to the holders as the prospects improve. The Lake Trammel well in the Sweetwater section is down 1700 feet.

There are scarcely any of the El Paso promoted companies where the stocks are not now considerably above par and where the original purchasers could not cash in with considerable profit to themselves.

Among the organizations that have either struck oil or are in such close proximity to wells that have struck oil are a number of the best known El Paso promoted concerns, and the stock has risen rapidly in every case.

Ranger Oil & Gas, promoted by S. P. Valentine, of El Paso, was among the first to bring in a well. That stock, sold originally at \$1, last sold on the El Paso market around \$4, and while none of it is being offered these days, it is quoted this week on the Fort Worth market at \$1.25 and above—a 400 percent cleanup for the original buyer.

Hueco-Ranger was the second El Paso concern to bring in a well. The money now coming in is to be used to sink another well, but the officials expect to be paying a dividend of 10 percent a month from the first well in a short time.

Other Successes.

Pullman Oil & Gas got the next well and is now drilling its second. Pullman is now away above par.

Silver Cyclic brought in its first well recently, after being second hand west of Desdemona.

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Test Planned At Elko, Nev., Of Oil Shares

United States Government and Southern Pacific to Cooperate.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 6.—The United States government and the Southern Pacific railroad, working in cooperation, will erect an experimental plant at Elko, Nevada, where tests of oil shale will be made. The shale to be tested are those in California, Nevada, Utah, Colorado and Wyoming.

This is carrying out an agreement made between the government and the bureau of mines. The proposed experimental plant will have a capacity of treating from 10 to 40 tons of shale per day.

The shale oil is said to have a paraffin base and is of high gravity, rich in lubricants and medicinal elements. Van H. Manning, director of the bureau of mines in the department of the interior, recently gave out an estimate that oil shales in the United States might be contained on to produce 15,000,000,000 barrels of oil.

wait several days for pipe line accommodations and is now about to complete its second well. As the stock was sold here for \$1.10, and the well is now being drilled to a depth of 1000 feet, it has not yet been drilled to that price on the local market, but it is expected to go above that by the time the new well comes to the dividends begin to circulate.

Eastland field with the biggest production of any well at a like depth in the history of the field.

Other wells that are either on the oil sand or assured of production as a result of the success of other nearby wells, include the following: El Paso complex, and the stock has been rising in price on all of them because of the outlook:

Ranger-Oil & Refining Co. El Paso Refining Co. Big Four Oil & Refining Co. Ranger Oils.

TELEPHONE COMPANY STRIKES OIL AT DEPTH OF 600 FEET

The Telephone Oil & Gas Co., of Bonham, Tex., has struck oil at 600 feet in a well on the Telephone, 12 miles north of Bonham. The sand was penetrated only a foot and the well has been plugged.

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TO SINK OIL WELL ON LOVE RANCH VERY SOON

The Mountain Eagle, of Sierra Blanca, says J. H. Banta, of Geneva, Ind., is there and that he is bringing an oil rig down for the purpose of sinking a well on T. D. Love's ranch near Sierra Blanca.

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EASTLAND BOOMS AS OIL CENTER

A. H. Bush Says Conditions Fine in Oil District; Pipelines Soon.

The most outstanding characteristic of the Eastland-Desdemona oil fields is the growing stability and conservatism, according to Anthony H. Bush, a member of the firm of Sharp and company, who returned Friday from the fields, where he visited the Ranger-Kovacs, Hueco, in and around Desdemona.

"The pipe line situation promises to be solved for this district in the near future," Bush said. "I was at the El Paso well of the Humble company and they report 3000 barrels daily. This well is located just east of the townsite of Desdemona."

The people of Desdemona are un- usually interested and enthusiastic over the new Eastland-Kell railroad, which is to be built soon and which is counted on to bring in the equipment needed and thus make the situation easier. The principal trend of development in the field is north by northwest and this makes the opinion that the Ranger and Desdemona pools will eventually be united.

An interesting feature of the field is that quite a number of business men from various places have organized the business here, including several banks. Eastland is perhaps the coming oil town of the whole district and business here is done in a permanent manner, back predominating. The entire Stephens county area on a boom throughout the whole field. The excitement of a few months ago has given place to a calm enthusiasm and determination.

Mr. Bush, who has had years of experience in his present work, recently became a partner in the Stephens county area. The firm bearing the latter's name was reorganized.

DRILL WELL FOR OIL NEAR PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 6.—Drilling of the well being put down by the Palo Verde Oil and Refining company, near Palo Verde, 23 miles west of here, has reached a depth of 400 feet according to C. M. Zander, chairman of the state gas commission, who has just returned to Phoenix after a visit to his ranch in that vicinity. The drill has passed the caliche and granite, according to Zander. Operations, he stated, have been delayed by reason of an accident to some of the machinery.

TWO OIL COMPANIES FILE CHARTERS IN NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe, N. M., Sept. 6.—The Otoco Petroleum company, of Tulsa, Okla., has filed its charter. The authorized capital is \$100,000 with \$10,000 paid in. There are 12 incorporators. Virgil I. Fuller is secretary.

The Cherokee Petroleum company is a Las Vegas corporation that has filed its charter. The authorized capital is \$25,000 and \$2500 has been paid in. The three incorporators are: George A. Fleming, William Shillinglaw, J. C. Gibbons, all of Las Vegas.

TO DRILL 3500 FEET

Wichita Falls, Texas, Sept. 6.—A lease has been let for a 3500 foot well to be sunk at Pullman, Potter county, at the east end of Amarillo by the Miller Oil company, of Wichita Falls. The company owns 1000 acres under this lease.

Ocean and Ranger Central Wells Good

Eastland, Texas, Sept. 6.—The Magnolia Oil Company's No. 1 well was drilled to the top of the black line Friday and responded with a flow of about 10,000 barrels. The well is coming from a depth of 3316 feet from the Ocean and Ranger Central wells.

This showing in the same area that made by the Ocean this week. The Ocean well is increasing its flow a little as the gas pressure lessens and is gaining around 1500 barrels.

AJAX OIL COMPANY INSTALS MACHINERY FOR NEW WELL