

# California Oil Development

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The most productive and of course the most profitable oil in Southern California is known as the Fullerton field. Wells producing 100 to 200 bbls per day have been secured, companies operating in this field consider 100 to 200 acres ample territory to make large profits from the stock of one company operating in the Fullerton Oil Field has advanced in price from a few cents per share to \$4 per share in a few months. Stocks in other companies in the same field have doubled and quadrupled in value in a few days recently.

The Interstate Oil Company has the largest amount of oil land in one body, under one lease, of any company operating in Southern California. They have a twenty year lease on 4,500 acres in the Fullerton field. The land has been inspected by noted oil experts, who are authority and pronounced fine oil territory. They are at work on the first well, using their own machinery.

They offer 50,000 shares of the treasury stock, par value \$1.00, for development purposes at \$2 per share. No stock of the original incorporators for sale—it being pooled. No salaried officers until the company is making money. Officers and directors all men of standing and responsibility in Los Angeles, Cal., where they all live and have lived for years.

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# TOWN FOR CRAZY PEOPLE.

**The Chinese Put All Their Crazy Folks in One Village.**

Indo-China has the only village of madmen in the world. This village, which is called Ban-Keune, is composed of some three hundred families, is highly organized as a community, is industrially prosperous and pays yearly a good tribute to France. Yet it has not a single sane inhabitant.

Admission to Ban-Keune, is, it must be confessed, a trying affair. No mere victims of melancholia, of "shattered nerves," of hypochondria or any of the similar ailments so fashionable in the opposite quarter of the world are granted a dwelling place in this most exclusive of towns.

To enter it one must be downright mad—or, as the natives call it, "pipop." The conception of insanity prevailing in this part of the world is not that it is a disease, but a "possession." Therefore, if an inhabitant of this region, as is frequently the case, displays hallucinations or conducts himself in a fashion not consistent with Indo-Chinese etiquette his neighbors take it upon themselves to determine whether any malign spirit possesses him—in other words, whether he is "pipop." This is the way it is done:

The unfortunate person, whether it be man, woman or child, who has fallen under suspicion of "possession" is made the subject of a ceremony on the banks of the River Namngum participated in by hundreds of persons gathered together from all the country for miles about. The victim's hands and feet are first bound by the native priest, who is the master of ceremonies.

Absolutely helpless from this time on, the supposed maniac, in spite of his cries and struggles, is cast into the river. It is firmly believed by the natives that the supernatural agencies then reveal the victim's true state. If he is genuinely "pipop" he sinks to the bottom of the river and stays there until he is rescued, revived and formally committed to the famous village of madmen. On the other hand, if he is not "possessed" he rises again like an ordinary drowning person to the top of the river, where he is more easily rescued and then freed.

Probably no secret society in the world has so severe or dangerous an initiation as this. Yet so conscientiously is it performed and so carefully are the half-drowned victims watched and rescued that the immersion, it is said, never proves fatal. Nor has the justice of the performance ever been questioned.

So generally topsy-turvy are the conditions in Laos, that portion of Indo-China through which the Namngum river flows, that only acknowledged maniacs live in any sort of social relation with each other. The majority of the people lead a solitary life, dwelling at the most in groups of twos and threes.

Ban-Keune, with its 200 families, is therefore the most densely populated spot in the country. Its inhabitants cultivate to their hearts' delight the idiosyncrasies which have served to commit them. They not only live peacefully but fall in love, marry and have children, who in most cases are even more eccentric than their parents. Nobody ever recovers or is "discharged." They remain "pipop" to the end of their days.

Ban-Keune residents suffer no social stigma. Rationality is so infrequent in this curious country and partial madness so common that almost everybody has at one time or another been a candidate for admission to the mad village. No stones of contempt are thrown because everybody who might be a critic himself lives in a glass house.

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**IS AFRAID OF CATS.**

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General Lord Roberts, the hero of Kandahar, who wears the Victoria Cross for gallantry in the field, is afraid of cats.

If the fate of the empire depended upon it, "Bobs" could not strike the fur of a cat.

A few thousand cats scattered over the veldt would drive the commander-in-chief of the British forces out of South Africa. A single cat hurled into his tent might demoralize the finest plans for a battle or a march.

It is not likely that the Boers will be able to take military advantage of Lord Roberts' weakness, for he is well guarded, and the most patriotic Transvaal cat could not approach his tent without being shot. So Boer sympathizers will gain nothing by forwarding their household pets as munitions of war to President Kruger.

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