## **GRIFFITH OIL COMPANY ISSUES STATEMENT**

## Company Organized Mostly by Alli-ance People has Acquired Hold, ings in State of Kansas

The Griffith Oil Company was inare stockholders.

ing statement from Casper: Oil Company:

It was agreed by the present board of directors, as a part of their policy that they should keep the stockholders informed from time to time of any new developments in the company's affairs. In view of the fact that the Griffith Co. has upwards of five hunderd share holders scattered throughout the country, it will readily be seen that it is impossible to letter covering these matters, and we have therefore decided to issue a cirholders of record.

In our former letter we mentioned in Wyoming, and gave a brief statement of the condition in reference to each property.

The property in the West Sali ed by the company has been abandoned, because of the failure on the part ditions.

of those companies and individuals

the company's money on it.

hoe lease on the property situated in ing out this decision the officers of corporated some time ago under the the Emigrant Gap Dome, for the the company spent two months in laws of the state of South Dakota, same reason. When we took this lease looking over the potash fields of Newith a capitalization of \$600,000, it was considered one of the best braska and the oil fields of Oklahoseveral of the officers being former speculative chances in Wyoming, ma and Kansas. After considerable Alliance men. Two of the officers are Other companies were drilling near negotiations they succeded in securnow J. N. Andrews, president and the property, and it was thought ad- ing a lease on two hundred acres situ James A. Armour, secretary-treasurer visable to acquire the lease, and wait ated in the Bolton field in Montgom. both of whom were formerly Alliance a resonable length of time on the re- ery couty, Kansas, on which there rsailroad men. Many Alliance people suit of these drillings, without spend- were two producing wells already

board of directors issued the follow- result of other operations. None of following terms: these drillings have proven success-To the Stockholders of The Griffith, ful, however and we have therefore fore March 1, 1919, and the lease decided to forfiet this lease also.

The interests which the Griffith Company have left in Wyoming are an option on two different tracts of considerable acreage in close proximi ty to where actual drilling is being carried on and should either of these fields prove productive we can avail ourselves of the option and can no doubt have our drilling done on a fair per centage basis by some of the write each stockholder a separate larger companies should we not feel like risking our money on them at this time; in addition we have a sub. cular letter, and mail it to the stock. | stantial interest, represented by 35, 000 shares, in the Dragon Exploration Co. in the Big Muddy Field. The the holdings which the company had Dragon Company has an agreement with the Glenhurst Company for dril! ing this ground and a well has been sunk to a considerable depth, but has not yet reached the oil sands, owing Creek which was the first one acquir- to delays of one kind or another, due to the lack of labor and financial con-

After looking the situation over, who were drilling in the immediate the board of directors came to the vicinity of this roperty to bring in conclusion that it was advisable to any well. It was thought inadvisable discontinue operations in the Wyoin view of the number of dry wells ming fields for the present, because that were drilled in the vicinity of of the great depth to which the wells this property, to spend any money of have to be drilled, and the excessive cost of drilling. The board decided to We have decided to forfeit the Ivan investigate other fields, and in carrying any of our own money, as the drilled and which are included in our Under date of November 25th the lease gave us ample time to watch the lease. This lease was procured on the

> Two more wells must be drilled bethen becomes perpetual as long as oil or gas is produced in commercial quantities, the company paying the usual one-eighth royalty.

In pursuance of this contract the company commenced to drill on the ground on the 6th day of October and on the 25th of the same month brought in a well with an initial capacity of 20 barrels per day, and it is probable this well will have a settled capacity of 8 to 10 barrels per day, and will continue on this basis for considerable time. The company has a ready market for the oil, and is now selling its production for \$2.25 per barrel. We are drilling another well on this ground and expect to have it completed by the middle of December.

The Bolton field is one of the most urolific and long lived shallow fields in eastern Kansas or Oklahoma, wells in this field over thirty years old still producing profitably.

To quote you a few figures on what the small oil wells do based on the prevailing prices for oil in this field: A 25 Bbl. oil productions earns per year \$20,531.25; 50 Bbl. oil production earns per year \$41,062.50; 100 Bbl. oil production earns per year \$82,125.00; 200 Bbl. oil production earns per year \$164,250.00; 500 Bbl. oil production earns per year \$410,-625.00; 100 Bbl oil production earns per year \$821 250.00; 10,000 Bbl. oil production earns per year \$8,212,-500.00 so you can readily see what a

cluster of these wells may mean to our stockholders, and it is noteworthy fact that many of the larger companies begun their career in the shallow territories.

We have also acquired a lease on well located, lying close to a newly production from this number of small developed pool, and is an excellent wells that will put us upon a divispeculative plece of ground. The dend jaying basis. terms of this lease give us perpetual rights as soon as drilling is begun but we can hold it for ten years with-

ter. If we succeed in bringing in an, other producing well, however small the capacity, from our present operations it should be our policy to continue drilling the two hundred acre tract, even though we might have to 890 acres of ground in one body, sit. sell some additional treasury stock uated in Wilson and Montgomery to keep our operations going, because counties, Kansas. This property is by and by the company will have a

> Respectfully submitted, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS By James A. Armour, Secretary

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Thursday, December 19, 1918

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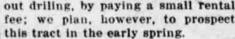
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While the wells in this part of Kansas are usually of small production there have been some come in as high as a thousand barrels, and the cost of drilling them is insignificant in comparison with what it is where the oil lies at greater depths. We consider this safer policy, than to risk all the money we have in the treasury in drilling one well in the dec fields.

After paying for the two leases mentioned above and the cost of driling and equipping our first well, the company still has a balance of \$15,-000.00 in the treasury. This amount is sufficient to keep our drilling operations going during the fall and win-



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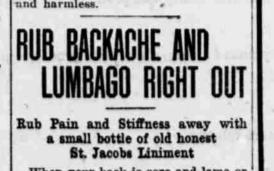
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