

**OIL NOTES**

Stockholders in the Griffith Oil company, of which there are a large number in western Nebraska and at Alliance, were pleased to learn the first of the week that the Iowa-Wyoming company's No. 3 well in the Bolton Creek field, southwest of Casper, has exceeded all expectations and will develop production of several hundred barrels a day, according to the company officials. Two other wells are drilling and a third will be started this week. The Griffith company has several hundred acres of holdings in this field, adjacent to production. The Chappell Oil company is spudding in on holdings of the Vieto-Wyoming company in the same field.

There were thirty-one completions of oil wells in July in the state of Wyoming. The new daily production is 3,730 barrels, or a gain of 170 barrels. There were only six dry holes reported, of which five were in the Lance Creek field. Of the 562 rigs up, there were 388 drilling. Two new gasers on the list of Carbon county completions and one in the Poison Spider field were reported during the month.

Two great wells were uncorked in the Salt Creek oil field, with a total production of 2,600 barrels. Thirty-five rigs were drilling in the field the last of the month, and there were twenty-seven besides these in place.

Six new producers were recorded in the Warm Springs, Grass Creek and Thermopolis region. Only eight of thirty-eight rigs in the district were idle. The Big Horn basin field had one thirty-barrel well, ten rigs standing and thirty-one drilling.

The rapidly increasing Mule Creek field reported four more wells, which add 225 barrels to the production of the field daily. Twenty-four rigs are drilling and six more are up.

Reports from the Osage field indicate that nine completions were successful and these bring the new production up to 300 barrels. Lauce Creek had five failures out of the six wells completed, the one being good for 200 barrels. Forty-four out of sixty-one rigs were drilling.

Another important new field in Wyoming has been opened in Carbon county, where the Producers and Refiners corporation has an uncompleted well that is flowing hourly by heads from a depth of 3,200 feet and making better than 200 barrels of oil daily. The well is located on section 7-26-79 and lies on a so-called wildcat structure discovered by the company's field organization and named by the field forces after the superintendent of operation, R. E. Wertz, and is known as the Wertz well.

An important feature of the new discovery lies in its depth, the top of the pay being found in a broken formation after the drill had penetrated about 300 feet in shale. The fact that there is a flow of gas with enough force behind it to lift so large a column of oil 3,200 feet would indicate that there is a big body of oil to feed from. The pay sand has been barely entered and with deeper drilling it is expected that production will be greatly increased. The oil tested 40 degrees on the Baume scale and is supposed to be coming from the Muddy sand, which is the producing sand in the Lost Soldier and Ferris fields.

The Cat Creek field of central Montana, which was discovered and first tested by the Frantz corporation, was still further proved last week by the completion of a well on section 14-15-29 by the Mid-Northern Oil company, a subsidiary of the Midwest Refining company, which is reported as making in excess of 400 barrels per day. This oil is of the highest gravity known, registering 47 degrees Baume test. The well is three-eighths of a mile south

of the Frantz corporation's No. 2, which has been making 350 and 390 barrels daily for the last four months practically shut in. The new well found the top of the sand at 1575 feet, a difference of 375 feet accounted for by variation in surface elevation and the fact that it lies lower on structure than the Frantz well.

The world's greatest oil well is in the Texas company's Abrams No. 1 in the West Columbia field, Brazoria county, Texas, which was making at last reports 28,000 barrels a day, requiring three pipelines to carry its yield. In the first ten days of operation this well is credited with having made \$1,000,000 for its owners. It is interesting to note that acreage in this immediate district is now selling at \$96,000 an acre. Sixty years ago the owner, one Underwood, sold the land on which this well is located for 10 cents an acre. In 1888 the price was \$5 an acre. There are more offers for land in this district at \$96,000 an acre than there were when it was valued at 10 cents or the intermediate price.

Word has been received from Sterling, Col., that the oil well drilling there has resumed operations and will be put down to 4,500 feet. The well at present is 4,000 feet deep and work was started in February to continue it on down an additional 500 feet. The geologist believes that with this depth commercial oil will be found. A good showing of oil and gas was found at 2,1000 feet, but as the citizens wanted to make a deep test they decided to pass up this strata and go to a greater depth. The well is being financed by local capital in and around Logan county, Colorado. The citizens believe that oil exists in their county and are backing their judgment with their money.

A representative of The Herald recently visited the site of the well which was drilled near Potter, Neb., west of Sidney, last year. This well, which was drilled with a standard rig, was put down to a depth of over 3,000 feet and work was then stopped.

Reports reaching The Herald this morning regarding the Centennial well, being drilled sixteen miles south of Torrington, Wyo., just across the Nebraska state line, are to the effect that the drillers are pulling the casing on account of a collapse of the casing at a depth of 1900 feet. The well had been drilled to over 2300 feet, according to the report, when the casing collapsed at the 1900 foot depth, with the tools in the hole below the place where the collapse came. This put the hole in bad shape and it is now necessary to pull the entire string of casing. The well will probably be delayed several months by the accident. It is very probable that drilling will be continued later to a depth of at least 3,500 feet if necessary to go that deep to reach the paying oil sand. The Prairie Oil & Gas company, a Standard Oil subsidiary, is reported to be back of this well.

The Wyoming-Northeastern Oil company, organized by Alliance and Hemingford men, is placing a \$90,000 issue of stock on the market, under the terms of a permit granted on June 24th by the Bureau of Securities at Lincoln. The money received from the sale of this stock is to be used by the company in the development of 1040 acres of holdings in the Mule Creek and Hidden Dome fields of eastern Wyoming. The company's well, which has been drilled to a depth of over 1400 feet in the Mule Creek field, will be continued to the Dakota sand, which carries oil in paying quantities in this field.

First showing of tailbred sailors and ready-to-wear street hats Monday, Aug. 16, at The Fashion Shop.

**LAKESIDE**

Carl Miller was in town Saturday. R. A. Cook and family motored to Alliance the last of the week.

Mrs. O. E. Black and son, Arnold, spent Thursday and Friday in Alliance visiting relatives.

The carpenter gang of the C. B. & Q. are in town doing repair work on the east section house. They are also installing scales at the stock yards.

Herman Purlawsky, head clerk at the Lakeside Merc, was on a vacation a couple of days the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Ed Osborn and little daughter, Viva, visited relatives in Bingham Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Ruth Lamberson came down from Alliance Thursday and went out to the C. E. Hawkins for a few days visit with her aunt and uncle. Her mother accompanied her down from Alliance and returned on No. 39 to Antioch on business.

F. M. Hoenshell, roadmaster, was in town on company business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. North were in from their ranch north of town Saturday.

Jesse Bruce shipped cattle from here Monday.

Henry Stoop gave another big dance at the old Woodman hall Wednesday night of last week.

Misses Wilma and Beatrice Westover were in Thursday distributing sale bills for the horse sale to be held at the stock yards Wednesday Aug. 11th.

Mrs. Jake Herman drove in from the ranch Friday morning.

Martin Rochford and family drove to Alliance Thursday.

Margaret Cody was in town shopping Wednesday.

Ruth Pollard returned home Friday from Alliance where she went to have a needle extracted from her hand.

Phillis and Olive Grimes of Hoffland are visiting friends here this week.

**PROMINENT**

It will be a great comfort to many people to know that Mochir-edowieh has been appointed Premier of Persia, and that Moscar-es-Saltaneh Chadmy has consented to take charge of the department of foreign affairs.

These gentlemen are almost as familiar to us as many of those we are nominating for public offices in this country.

**NOTICE**

Notice to the owners of property within Paving District No. 7 of the City of Alliance, in Box Butte County, Nebraska, the said district including and embracing the following described property, to-wit: Lots 1 to 9 both inclusive, Block 3, Second County Addition to the City of Alliance, Nebraska; Lots 4 to 12 both inclusive, Block L, Nebraska Addition to the City of Alliance, Nebraska.

You are hereby notified that said paving district No. 7 which includes and embraces the property above described, has been created by passage, approval and publication of Ordinance No. 292 of the Ordinances of the City of Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebraska, as provided by law.

You are further notified that if the owners of the record title representing a majority of the abutting property owners in such district, shall file with the City Clerk within twenty days from the first publication of this notice, written objections to the paving of such district, said work shall not be done in such district under said ordinance No. 292 but said ordinance No. 292 shall be repealed. If such objections be not filed against such district in the time and manner aforesaid, the mayor and council will forthwith proceed to construct such paving.

In advertising for bids for such paving, the mayor and council may provide for bids on different materials, and types of construction, and shall in addition provide for asking bids on any material or materials which may be suggested by petition of the owners of record title representing 25 per cent of the abutting property owners in such district, if

such petition is filed with the City Clerk before advertisement for bids is ordered. On the opening of bids for paving in such paving district, the mayor and council shall postpone action thereon for a period of not less than ten days. During said period of postponement the owners of record title representing a majority of the abutting property owners in such district, may file with the City Clerk a petition for the use of a particular material for paving, in which event a bid on that material shall be accepted, and the work be done with that material. In case such owners fail to designate the material to be used in such paving in the manner, and within the time above provided, the mayor and council shall in any event at its option reject all bids and re-advertise, if in its judgment the public interest require.

The streets and avenues abutting upon said property within such district, to be paved, unless objections are made in the manner and form above stated, are as follows: All that portion of Box Butte Avenue in said city, extending nine feet each way both east and west from the center of said street between the north line of Ninth Street and the south line of Tenth Street in said city.

The date of the first publication of this notice is August 10, 1920.

A meeting of the mayor and council of said city of Alliance will be held in the council chamber of said city on the 1st day of September at 8 o'clock p. m. to consider such objections as may be made and filed as heretofore provided.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1920.

A. D. RODGERS, Mayor.

Attest:  
GRACE H. KENNEDY,  
City Clerk.  
(SEAL)  
Au. 10, Au. 31.

**What Will You Do With YOUR BACK PAY**



**When Your Check Comes In?**

Many Railroad Man will soon receive very substantial amounts of money as back pay from the Burlington. Have you considered the wisest thing to do with this money? Perhaps you have long wanted something that you never before thought you could afford. Perhaps you have already permitted yourself the pleasure of selecting the desired article.

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Will your expenditure be an ASSET or a LIABILITY? Will it COST YOU MONEY or MAKE YOU MONEY? These are the questions you should ask yourself before letting your back pay go.

It is a very satisfying feeling to collect money that comes to you simply by possessing other money. That's the secret of present-day success.

**Make Your Money Work For You**

If you commence the habit of working your funds for your gain NOW, you need never worry about your old age when you can no longer work for yourself.

Start a good thing by bringing your Back Pay to us and placing it in a SAVINGS ACCOUNT. We will pay you 5% interest, and the principal is absolutely safe. Do yourself the justice to talk this thing over with our officers before you make a decision.

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Alliance, Nebraska

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Come out Sunday and see these two evenly-matched nines go together.

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ALEX SHERRIG, Sec'y.