

DRILLERS ARE OPTIMISTIC

Say They Expect to Find Oil on the Magness Farm in Cleburne County.

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Heber Springs, April 25.—D. L. Grimm, president of the Heber Oil and Gas Company, and the drillers in charge of the well on the Magness farm, near here, are optimistic over showings at the test. Several local business men visited the well today. They were told that excellent showings had been encountered, and that the geologist had predicted oil sands at about 1,800 feet. The hole is down about 1,600 feet. Operations were suspended today pending receipt of six-inch casing.

Oil Test Will Be Started Soon in Cleburne County.

Special to the Gazette. 10/10/29
Conway, Oct. 9.—Drilling of the first test well in a big oil prospecting enterprise will be started in the southeastern corner of Cleburne county, between Quitman and Rosebud, in two weeks by the Cosden Oil Company of Arkansas, of which J. S. Cosden, multimillionaire Texas oil operator, is head.

The derrick has been completed and the first carload of drilling equipment was hauled from Conway today.

The test will be one of the series in which nine blocks of leases taken by the Cosden interests, aggregating approximately 150,000 acres, and situated in Pope, Conway, Van Buren, Cleburne, White and Faulkner counties, will be

prospected. At least two wells will be drilled in Faulkner county, but they probably will not be started until completion of the Rosebud well.

The Rosebud block consists of about 20,000 acres in Faulkner, White and Cleburne counties. The location of the test, which is approximately in the center of the block, will be on a tract of unimproved land owned by the Doniphan Lumber Company. The derrick has been erected on the center of the north line of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 19, Township 9, north, and range 10 west. It is six miles due east of Quitman, four miles north of Rosebud, and three northeast of the northeast corner of Faulkner county.

Tulsa Oil Company Plans Second Test in Cleburne County.

Special to the Gazette. 12-14-29
Conway, Dec. 13.—Claud Jones, Heber Springs real estate dealer, announced here today that a Tulsa (Okla.) concern is preparing to drill another test well in Cleburne county. Machinery is expected to reach Heber Springs this week and drilling will be started im-

mediately, he said. Craver & Walker of Tulsa have secured leases on approximately 11,500 acres near Heber Springs, paying as high as \$1 an acre for some of them.

The well will be located near the Tumbling Shoal community in section 33, township 11 north, range 9 west, about eight miles northeast of Heber Springs. The Cosden Company now is drilling a well near Quitman in section 19, township 9 north, range 10 west.

Cosden Test in Cleburne County Reaches 760-Foot Depth.

Special to the Gazette. 1-10-30
Conway, Jan. 9.—The test well being drilled by the Cosden Oil Company in Cleburne county near Rosebud has reached a depth of 760 feet, it is said by Paul Whitten, one of the local representatives of the company, and the drillers are making good progress, he said.

Fifteen-inch casing was set at 550 feet, after a 20 1-2-inch hole had been drilled to that depth. The large hole is being started so that drilling can be carried to a depth of 5,000 feet if necessary. Mr. Whitten said a well being drilled by the company near Hector Pope county, which was started at about the same time, had reached a depth of 1,800 feet.

Drilling Resumed on Cosden Oil Company's Test Near Rosebud.

Special to the Gazette. 2-14-30
Conway, Feb. 13.—Setting of 12 1-2 inch casing at the 1,440-foot level has been completed and drilling resumed at the test well of the Cosden Oil Company near Rosebud, in Cleburne county. At the same company's well near Hector, Pope county, under-reaming is still in progress, having been completed to the 2,500-foot level.

Test Well in Cleburne County Has Been Abandoned.

Special to the Gazette. 10-21-30
Conway, Oct. 20.—The Cosden Oil Company's test well in the southeastern corner of Cleburne county, near Rosebud, will be plugged and abandoned, it was announced here by A. E. McKenzie, superintendent of drilling operations. The well had reached a depth of 4,360 feet about two weeks ago, when a drill bit was lost in the hole. Fishing has been in progress since without success. A small showing of gas was encountered, but no signs of oil. The same company several weeks ago abandoned a test well near Hector, Pope county, after drilling about 4,700 feet.

The company owns vast acreage of leases in Faulkner, Conway, Pope, Van Buren, Cleburne, White and other counties and it was reported that it planned to make a thorough test of the entire area. Whether any new drilling operations are to be undertaken soon could not be learned.

Test Well in Cleburne County to Be Drilled Deeper.

Special to the Gazette. 10-24-30
Conway, Oct. 23.—The Cosden Oil Company's test well in Cleburne county, near Rosebud, which, it was announced last week, would be abandoned as a dry hole, will be drilled deeper, it was reported here today. Drilling was stopped three weeks ago when a bit was lost in the hole at a depth of 4,300 feet. Workmen, who had been pulling the casing from the well, today received orders to discontinue the work and proceeded with the job of fishing.

Drilling in Cleburne County Will Be Resumed.

Special to the Gazette. 6-18-32
Heber Springs, June 17.—A. J. Walker, oil operator of Tulsa, Okla., has returned to Heber Springs and is renewing leases on land to resume drilling in Cleburne county. Operations ceased several months ago. The Tina and Tumbling Shoals blocks have been leased and a drilling crew will return to the county about July 1.

Test for Oil Will Be Made In Cleburne County.

Special to the Gazette. July 22, 32
Heber Springs, July 21.—Construction of a camp where a test for oil will be made in Cleburne county was begun this week. The site is a half-mile southeast of an old site eight miles north of Heber Springs in what is known as the Tumbling Shoals block. C. O. Buckles, oil contractor of Tulsa, and A. J. Walker, operator, also of Tulsa, have charge of the operations. Drillers from Oklahoma have arrived here. Local labor is being used in carpenter work and in clearing a right-of-way to the camp, a half mile from Highway No. 25. Casing is being removed from the old test well and actual drilling will begin within 30 days.

Heber Springs Oil Test Down To 135 Feet.

Special to the Gazette. 8-17-32
Heber Springs, Aug. 16.—The oil test which is being drilled in 34-11-9 was spudded in last week. A depth of 135 feet has been reported. Much interest was manifested in the report that a small amount of gas had been found in a well at Batesville, since it was an outcropping of oil in the sand on White river that led geologists to believe that oil in paying quantities would be found here. The test well is eight miles north of here, about one-quarter mile off the Batesville highway.

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