

New Oil Test to Be Drilled In Cleveland County.

2-5-38

Special to the Gazette. Fordyce, Feb. 4.—J. K. Markwick of Fordyce and E. O. Olds have obtained a drilling permit for a test well on the Aubrey Vance farm, about 11 miles west of here near New Edinburgh, in Cleveland county. A 122-foot steel derrick will be erected and drilling will start as soon as possible. Several Arkansas men, mostly from Little Rock, are associated in the test. The location was made by Geologist John Greathouse of Dallas, Tex. It is about two miles west of the old Tipton No. 1, drilled in 1919. Much interest is attached to the test as several oil companies and geologists have passed favorably on the structure in that vicinity.

Oil Driller and Seven Sons to Put Down Test

Fordyce—E. O. Olds, drilling contractor, and his seven sons have arrived in Fordyce to have charge of the new oil test to be made in section 18-11-11, nine and a half miles southeast of Fordyce, on the Aubrey Vance farm.

Mr. Olds and his sons received statewide publicity several months ago when they brought in a discovery well in Nevada county.

Drilling on Cleveland County Well to Be Resumed.

3-6-38

Special to the Gazette. Fordyce, March 5.—Drilling on the Aubrey Vance well in Cleveland county, about nine miles southeast of here, will be resumed immediately. Drilling was suspended at the 2,900-foot level when difficulty arose over leases. At a meeting of the land owners in that section it was decided to give the company an extension of time for leases. The company agreed to make a thorough test and said if necessary to go to 4,000 feet or until production is found.

Cleveland Oil Test Awaiting Additional Machinery.

7-22-38

Special to the Gazette. Rison, July 21.—Drilling at the oil test well five miles south of Rison in Section 34-9-10, is being held up awaiting arrival of additional machinery. Surface casing was set last week. The test is being made by W. E. Allum of Dallas, Tex. Carey & Norbury of Tyler are the drillers.

Cleveland County Oil Well Down to 500 Feet.

Special to the Gazette. Rison, July 29.—The oil test well being drilled in Cleveland county, six miles southeast of Rison, is drilling below 500 feet. Three crews are employed on the well by the Cary & Norbury Drilling Company of Rodessa on land owned by the Moore estate.

The test is located about a mile south of the Markle and Dedman wells, drilled several years ago. It will be drilled to 3,800 feet and if the formation checks high, probably will be drilled to the big rock, unless oil or gas is found at a lesser depth.

Drilling Resumed on Test Well In Cleveland County.

8-7-38

Special to the Gazette. Rison, Aug. 6.—The oil test well being drilled in Cleveland county, six miles south of Rison, on the Moore estate, has resumed drilling around 1,100 feet after being shut down because of lack of water. A pipe line has been laid several miles to Big creek. The well will be drilled to 3,800 feet unless oil or gas is found at a lesser depth. The test is being made by W. E. Allum of Dallas, Tex. W. P. Cary of Tyler, Tex., is the drilling contractor.

Interest Increases in Oil Test In Cleveland County.

Special to the Gazette. Rison, Aug. 13.—The oil test well in Section 34-9-10, six miles south of Rison, is drilling at 2,270 feet. Considerable excitement was prevalent in Rison Tuesday when a showing of gas was encountered at the 1,761-foot level. At 2,258 feet, a hard formation was encountered. The well is known as W. E. Allum Trustee No. 1, Moore estate, and is being drilled by Cary & Norbury, contractors.

Oil Showing Reported in Test Well Near Rison.

Special to the Gazette. Rison, Aug. 19.—Drillers of an oil test well six miles south of Rison, in 34-9-10, reported a showing of oil at approximately 3,000 feet today. Gas was reported a week ago at the 1,761-foot level. The bit was in a hard formation today. The well is known as the W. E. Allum Trustee No. 1, I. E. Moore estate. Carey & Norbury are the contractors.

Well to Be Drilled

In Cleveland County.

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Warren—According to V. M. Hodges, oil man here, a location has been selected and an oil well will be drilled in Cleveland County about half way between Warren and Pine Bluff, the exact location being center of NE, NE, Sec. 29-9-W.

Contractor Jess Hembree of Oklahoma City, is moving equipment to the site and erecting the derrick, and will begin drilling the first of this week.

Oil Test Planned In Cleveland County.

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Special to the Gazette. Rison, June 4.—Machinery for drilling an oil test well in section 21-9-10, Herbine community, is being placed on the site. It will be known as Holderfield No. 1. The land is owned by Dewey Holderfield of Herbine.

WELL DOWN 2,400 FEET

Drilling Is Continued at Oil Test Near Kingsland.

Special to the Gazette. Kingsland, Sept. 5.—The Acme Oil Company's test well in 5-11-10, seven miles southeast of Kingsland, is down 2,400 feet. Six-inch casing has been set at the 2,300-foot level, and the plug drilled. The drill now is in shale. Love Bros., well known El Dorado drillers, are in charge of operations.

Little Rock Syndicate to Drill For Oil Near Rison.

Special to the Gazette. Feb 19-1934 Rison, Feb. 18.—A Little Rock syndicate has taken over a block of about 10,000 acres of oil and gas leases in the central part of Cleveland county and plans to drill a well soon. F. W. Culpepper has been awarded the contract for the derrick timbers, and the derrick soon will be under construction. A well was drilled on this block a few years ago, and a showing of oil and gas was reported.

Leases Block Completed.
A. B. Diffie of Tulsa, Okla., and J. R. Lockhart of Fordyce have completed a block of leases, and derrick timbers will be hauled to the location of the well the last of this week. The location of this test will be on acreage north, east and south of New Edinburg, about seven miles south of Fordyce. A definite location will be announced the last of the week, when A. B. Diffie returns from Tulsa. 6/6/1936

Derricks Up for Two Wells at New Edinburg

Rison—Two derricks have been completed near New Edinburg, 18 miles south of Rison, and plans are being completed for the drilling of oil test wells on two blocks of acreage in that section of the county. The derrick on the Saxon-Tipton block is west of New Edinburg and near the Mount Lebanon Baptist church, in section 13-11-12, and near the site of the Word oil test well of several years ago. The test on the east block from New Edinburg will be made on the Lewis Ross farm, section 11-11-11. Just when the wells will be "spudded" has not been announced, but it is reported that drilling is expected to start soon. 11-7-12-36

Dem. Well Down 2,000 Feet. 11-22-36
Fordyce—Geological formations in the Ida Robinson oil well in section 36-10-11, Cleveland county, about seven miles southeast of Fordyce, are running as expected, according to J. R. Lockhart, who is in charge of operations. He said that cores are being taken in all formations, and that the hole is down below the 2,000-foot level. Night and day drilling crews are at work at the well.

Lockhart Takes Over Turkey Hill Leases

Fordyce—J. R. Lockhart who has drilled two wells about seven miles southeast of here in Cleveland county, but who has ceased operations has taken over the leases secured by O. L. Pennington in the Turkey Hill sector, three miles south of town. The oil test which was drilled on the Ida Robinson farm, section 11-11-36, has been abandoned as a "dry hole," according to Lockhart.

A. L. Carraway said that persons interested in blocking leases in the vicinity of the Hillman block, two miles north of Fordyce, have agreed to place \$1,000 in a Fordyce bank to be paid to property owners in the section to induce them to sign, and if the drilling is not started within 30 days, the money, held in escrow, will be paid to the landowners. The number of acres desired in this block is 5,000. Carraway said that under these conditions there should be no difficulty in getting up the block, and machinery owned by himself and Tom White which was used at the Bucksnot well will be used in drilling.

Leases Being Blocked in Cleveland County

Rison—Indications point to a renewal of efforts to develop Cleveland county's oil possibilities. There is somewhat of a rush for oil and gas leases on land located west of Saline river, with four blocks of acreage in the process of being formed. A test well has been drilled on a fifth block within the past few months.

South of Toledo on the east side of Saline river, a block of acreage has been formed and a test well on this block is certain to be drilled during the year, it has been stated.

Deeper Test Near Rison to Be Made

Rison—Heavier machinery and equipment for drilling deeper at J. R. Lockhart's Ida Robinson oil and gas test well, in section 36-10-11, northeast of New Edinburg, are being moved in this week, preparatory to resumption of drilling as soon as possible, according to information received.

Drilling on this test was recently stopped after going to a depth of about 3,500 feet. Good indications were reported. Two 90-horse power boilers are being set, along with a heavier rig, and the old derrick will be reinforced, it is stated.

Mr. Lockhart recently acquired another block of acreage in the vicinity of the Ida Robinson test. At least four blocks of acreage have been formed or are being put together on the west side of Saline river in the county.

South of Rison and in the vicinity of Toledo another block has recently been completed with a test well to be drilled this year.

Drilling Is Suspended.

Fordyce—Drilling operations at the Lockhart well, known as the Ida Robinson No. 1, section 36-10-11, Cleveland county, about seven miles southeast from here, ceased recently. A drill stem test Thursday failed to show gas or oil. The shutdown is temporary and a new depth of 4,500 feet will be drilled for if leases that have expired can be renewed.

If there is failure to renew the leases, the Lockhart interests will move to a 10,000-acre block adjoining the Ida Robinson or, to the Turkey Hill well site in Calhoun county, three miles south of here.

Dem. Drilling Suspended.

Rison—Activity at the Ida Robinson oil test, near New Edinburg, is at a standstill, following a drill stem test made last week. J. R. Lockhart, who is having the well drilled, stated that he is making an effort to secure an extension on the leases. Preceding the test, there was considerable sale of leases and royalties in the vicinity. Drilling on a test well south of Rison is scheduled to start within a few weeks, it is reported.

Drilling Near Rison to Be Started This Week

Rison—Oil and gas development in Cleveland county will be renewed when the Texas Canadian Development Company, Inc., of Arkansas and Texas, begins the first of the week erecting a derrick to drill on the Mosley & Kelsey block of acreage in the county.

The well will be located in the center of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 22-9-10, three-quarters of a mile northeast of the Markle well, drilled in 1922.

Building of the derrick will be rushed and drilling will begin as soon as the derrick is ready.

Dem. Drill Down 952 Feet.

Rison—Drilling was resumed on the Texas-Canadian Moore Estate No. 1 oil test in section 20-9-10, southeast of Rison, Thursday night. At 8 o'clock Friday morning the drill was down 952 feet. The well being drilled by Olds & Sons for the Texas-Canadian Oil Company of Arp, Texas. E. F. Granberry, manager of the company, is here to look after the company's interest. The test was spudded in Tuesday of last week and surface casing was set.

Drilling Resumed on Test Oil Well Near Rison.

Special to the Gazette. 6-6-37 Rison, June 5.—Drilling has been resumed on the Texas-Canadian's Moore Estate No. 1 oil test well in Section 22-9-10, southeast of Rison. The test was spudded in 10 days ago and surface casing set. The well is being drilled by Olds & Sons for the Texas-Canadian Oil Company of Asp, Tex. E. F. Granberry, manager of the company, is here.

Lockhart to Drill Near Fordyce, He Says

Fordyce—J. R. Lockhart returned from Des Moines, Iowa, and reported that he is ready to start anew in the search for oil in this vicinity. He is ready to make a deep test in the Ida Robinson sector, seven miles east of here, he said, if property owners will co-operate. The location is section 36-10-11, Cleveland county.

Drilling will also be started at Turkey Hill, three miles south of Fordyce, in Calhoun county, as soon as leases can be renewed. This is the same well that had a showing of oil when Pennington had charge of operations here, but which was abandoned by him.

Drilling operations were started at the well on the Moore estate, in Cleveland county, 15 miles east of here, recently. Blocking of 10,000 acres by the Lockhart interests in the Mt. Lebanon sector, where drilling is expected to begin July 1, resumes the search for oil in that territory.

Seismograph Tests Near Holly Springs Planned

Fordyce — Landowners believing there is oil in the vicinity of the Ray Sorrells No. 1 test well, located in section 35-10-16, 20 miles west of here, near Holly Springs, and recently abandoned at a depth of 1,000 feet, are working up a 6,000-acre block of leases with the intention of making four seismograph tests. Negotiations have been started with a Texas oil company, it is said, to make the tests.

J. R. Lockhart announced that drilling will begin at the Ida Robinson well in section 36-10-11, Cleveland county, about 1.1 miles southeast of here, as soon as leases can be renewed. A deep test is planned at this location. About 2,000 acres of leases have lapsed, Mr. Lockhart said, but he believes they will be renewed. Completion of the block in the Turkey Hill sector, three miles south of here, in Calhoun county, is expected within a few days.

Drilling in Cleveland County Well Resumed

Rison—Drilling operations at the Texas-Canadian's oil test well, southeast of Rison, in section 22-9-10, were resumed Thursday afternoon. Drilling had been at a standstill for the past week due to trouble encountered at a depth of 2,218 feet. Large quantities of mud and other materials have been brought in, to be used by the drillers to block out sand which forced drilling operations to cease.

Dem. Will Resume Drilling.

Fordyce—J. R. Lockhart left Wednesday for Des Moines, Iowa, where he will meet with his associates to discuss oil drilling activities in this vicinity. Immediately up his return here, he said, he will resume operations at the Ida Robinson test well in section 36-10-11, in Cleveland county, seven miles southeast of here.

Drilling in Cleveland County Well Suspended

Fordyce—Drilling operations ceased Friday night without production of gas or oil on the Moore Estate No. 1 test, 15 miles west of here in Cleveland county, northeast quarter of section 22-9-11. The contracted depth of 3,819 feet had been reached. E. F. Granberry was in charge of operations for the Texas-Canadian Oil Company of Arp, Tex.

J. R. Lockhart, Inc., will begin drilling in the Turkey Hill sector, three miles south of here, July 1. Renewals on 6,000 acres of leases have been obtained and building of the derrick is to begin this week. The well will be in section 16-11-13, and a depth of 4,500 feet has been agreed upon by the Lockhart Company.

Drilling will also begin again at the Ida Robinson test well in the near future, Mr. Lockhart said, if property holders will co-operate with his company in getting renewals on leases allowed to lapse.

The Lockhart Company also is planning to drill a test five miles southeast of Kingsland, near here in Cleveland county, and a 7,500-acre block of leases has been secured. Drilling will begin within the next 30 days, it is said.

Local Man Is Backing New Edinburg Project

Rison—The first of a series of deep oil tests in the vicinity of New Edinburg will be spudded in within the next week or 10 days on acreage blocked to the west of that place, it was learned.

The promotion is being backed by Dr. Douglas Saxton of Little Rock. The proposed test is on a block of 10,000 acres of acreage in the county are in the process of being formed, one to the east of New Edinburg and another southeast of Rison.

Calhoun