Brinkley to Be on Route of Drillers Make Good Dayelle New Gas Line. 11-29-27 3 Progress in Monroe

Special to the Gazette.

Brinkley. Nov. 28.—Natural gas service for Brinkley is forecast with the opening here today of a field office by Ford Bacon and Davis, nationally known engineering firm, which is making a survey for a gas line from the Monroe (La.) field to Memphis. The local office is in charge of J. T. Hollingsworth, who has a crew of 25 men. Mr. Hollingsworth said that the survey had been completed from Monroe to Pine Bluff and that his crew would work east from here to Memphis and south along the Cotton Belt railroad to connect with the survey already finished.

Progress in Monroe Clarendon—The test well of the Monroe Oil Company, J. R. Lockhart of Little Rock, president, has reached a depth of 1,900 feet and is in shale and sand. All changes in formation are to be cored from now on, Mr. Lockhart said.

The test is in the southeast quarter of Section 19-1s-1w. east of Holly Grove and the owners hope to pick up the Nacatosh sand at about 3,100 feet. Thus far the formation is reported to connect with the survey already finished.

## Oklahoma Company Awarded Gas Franchise at Clarendon,

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Clarendon, Feb. 22.—A franchise was granted to the Cherokee Public Utilities Company of Muskogee, Okla., to supply Clarendon with natural gas by the Clarendon City Council last night. The franchise calls for a rate of seven cents for 10 years with work of laying pipes to begin within 60 days and gas to be distributed within 12 months.

The Cherokee company will build a 22-inch pipe line from Monroe, La., to St. Louis and the line will cross the White river at Clarendon. Several towns in this vicinity and in eastern Arkansas have granted franchises to the company and many more towns are considering the matter.

Seeks Natural Gas Franchise At Brinkley. HAB

Brinkley, Ark., Sept. 13 (P).—The Brinkley City Council studied today an application of O. F. Phillips for a franchise to supply the city with natural gas from his test well three miles north of here.
Phillips said his well, the Stimson

No. 1 in the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 27-4-2, had shown strong gas pressure, requiring mudding for the past three days to hold it in check.

The operator said he had set casing in the test, which is at a depth of approximately 1,400 feet. Gas in small quantities has been produced at a well live miles from that drilled by Phillips for several years.

Wind Levels Oil Derrick And Drilling Is Delayed

Holly Grove—High wind that did damage in many parts of Arkansas Monday night, picked out this locality to level an oil derrick on the site of the Rue Abramson No. 1 oil test of the Monroe Oil Company, near here, and drilling, which was to have been resumed soon, will be delayed about three weeks.

The well is now down to 3,390 feet, and when it was decided recently to go deeper, and down to between 5,000 and 6,000 feet, a heavier rig was obtained and a larger and stronger derrick was made necessary.

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The well is in section 19-1S-1W.
J. R. Lockhart of Little Rock, one of the promoters and an official of the company, said rebuilding of the derrick would begin at once. Formations have been carefully checked and compared, and the promoters hope to break through into an oil stratum at a somewhat deeper level than that yet attained.

## 7,000 Acres Near Brinkley Leased by Oil Operators.

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Brinkley, March 6.—Seven thousand acres of land between Brinkley and Cotton Plant have been leased by Owens & Woods, oil operators from Mission, Tex., who own several producing wells. The leases are held in trust by Frank Federer, Brinkley real estate dealer, un-

Operators say that they will put down three or four wells to a depth of 2,600 feet and that operations will start in

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## Oil Test to Be Made

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Brinkley—According to Frank
Federer, real estate agent here, 7,000
acres of land between Brinkley and
Cotton Plant have been leased by
Owens and Woods, oil operators
from Mission, Texas, who have now
several producing wells in the Mission territory.

Mr. Redeter is holding the leases

Mr. Rederer is holding the leases in trust until drilling starts. The operators expect to put down three or four wells, drilling to a depth of 2,600 feet, and operations are to start within 30 days, he said.

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G. C. Potter, geologist, working with the company, has made a log of 21 wells, eight of which show good prospects for oil. For several years test wells have been put down aest and north of Brinkley but none has been drilled to a great depth. The leases that are to be drilled at the present time are located within two miles of a test well put down last year, which was abandoned because of lack of funds.

Cored at 3,338 Feet

Holly Grove.—The test well of the Monroe Oil Company, Inc., in which drilling started October 2, 1935, is now down 3,338 feet. The well was cored at this depth and showed sand and shale. The formation is refarded as favorable.

Arrangements have been made to drill to 4,000 feet, if necessary. The well is now the deepest ever drilled in Monroe county.

J. R. Lockhart, vice president, and others are interested in the well, which is near here in section 19-1s-Iw. The well was closed down about 10 days for repairs and clearing of titles, but drilling has now been resumed.