DRILLING OIL WELL IN PRAIRIE COUNTY

Local Men Are Interested in Prospect Started Near Sweeton.

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Pittsburgh Capitalists Announce Hazen Gas Test.

Special to the Gazette.

Cheyenne, Aug. 30—With 100,000 acres in Prairie county under lease, a group of Pittsburgh capitalists, whose Arizona representative is R. A. Becker, will start immediately on an oil and gas test on a property about two miles south of Hazen and north of Stuttgart. The rig will be placed there Monday and drilling will be started as soon as preparations can be completed.

Mr. Becker, who came here to negotiate a lease with a Cheyenne citizen who owns Prairie county property, and who has authorized the drilling of the property, said that the company plans to push the drilling as rapidly as possible.

The company plans to go to a depth of 6,000 feet, unless gas is found to a lesser depth. The promoters say that they expect that oil and gas will be found around 2,500 feet.

Second Oil Test Well Being Drilled Near Des Arc.

Special to the Gazette.

Des Arc, Aug. 15—The Powell Creek oil & Gas Company, which has sunk one well in a test for oil near Johnson Chapel is working another derrick at what is known as the "Old Ford Field," near Johnson Chapel, and will begin drilling as soon as the derrick is completed.

In the previous well enough oil was found to continue drilling as they are at the edge of a pool. They are drilling about two miles from the first well, trying to hit the pool. The Willard Stewart Lumber Company is building the new derrick.