Oil Test Under Way Near Traskwood on Royal Block.

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Special to the Press

Traskwood, April 16.—The Royal Oil and Gas Company, an Arkansas firm, has assembled a block of approximately 12,000 acres in southeast Sabine county and northeast Hot Spring county, near here, and has let contract to W. C. Cliven to drill an oil test on the W. C. Williams farm, one and a half miles from here. A 96-foot derrick has been erected and drilling will continue until water and other necessary preliminary work have been completed.

J. L. Glenn, who drilled the first Texford well and is said to have been the first diller to work in Texas, will drill the well.

Leasing throughout this section has been heavy. J. H. Miller has a block of 3,000 acres adjoining the W. C. Williams block on the south and is reported to have contracted with a Texarkana diller to begin drilling soon. John L. McCord of Camden and others have assembled a block adjoining the Miller tract. A test already has been started northwest of J. L. McCord's farm, a few miles from MANOR.

Drilling Begins on Oil Test Near Traskwood.

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Special to the Press

Mail from a diller—Representatives of the Royal Oil and Gas Company of Traskwood have been drilling near oil one and a half miles north of Traskwood in Sabine county.
WILL DRILL IN SALINE

Louisiana Contractor Will Spend in Neat Benton Wednesday.

Benton, Dec. 31.—J. D. McGee, representing Louisiana capitalists, will spend a test well one mile northwest of Benton Wednesday, he announced yesterday. McGee's backers own considerable acreage in Saline county, and they propose to make a thorough test of their holdings. H. B. Weiss, who has done considerable wildcatting in Oklahoma and Texas fields, has the drilling contract. He will use a standard rig. Several geologists are said to have made favorable reports on the structure. The Benton Chamber of Commerce is cooperating with the drillers. The well will be known as the Benjin No. 1.

Plans Made to Drill

For Oil at Traskwood

Traskwood—Efforts to develop an oil well on the W. M. Williams farm, three and a half miles south of Traskwood, were started early this week when A. W. Green of Henderson, Tex., arrived to begin erecting a derrick. Much time has been spent in surveying the field and it is expected that drilling can be started in a short time, or as soon as the holes and extensions are in.

Test Well Near Benton to Begin Drilling This Week.

Benton, March 7.—Drilling will start this week on the Williams No. 1 test for oil in the Traskwood area. W. C. Williams and F. M. Harrop, who have been in charge of development work, said the derrick is located on the W. M. Williams, W. C. Duncan and A. W. Green properties, one and one-half miles north of Traskwood and eight miles from Benton. The well has been spudded in for two weeks.

Geologist O. W. Brahan of Henderson, Tex., is enthusiastic over the prospects for oil. In the opinion of Mr. Brahan, the Traskwood area is situated on a sub-surface geological formation, with the cretaceous formations producing at El Dorado and Smackover, and overlying the palinose formation dipping more sharply to the southeastward than the cretaceous formations, thus forming the normal closure of this area. The geological high of the Traskwood area in Township 3 north, Range 13 west, has a geological formation from the Bell well drilled to the north with oil shown down to 3,580 feet, and also from the Henderson well drilled to the southwest with a total depth of 1,700 feet. Thus, the Traskwood area evidence a geological trap for the accumulation of oil or gas possibilities in an area where oil and gas shows are known to exist, but where no oil or gas well has been found to date.

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