

RIG IS ERECTED.
Special to the Gazette. *Gazette*
Plainview, Aug. 14.—The Moffitt Development Company, which will make a test for oil, in 28-4-22, three miles west of Plainview, has its rig up and is awaiting arrival of tools. The drilling crew already is on the ground. It is probable the test will be spudded in this week. Standard equipment will be used. *8-15-21*

TO "SPUD IN" MONDAY.
Special to the Gazette
Plainview, Aug. 20.—The Moffitt Development Company has a rig and string of tools ready for "spudding in" Monday. Mr. Moffitt is overseeing the job. He is an experienced driller and contractor, and has been in the business for 20 years. This move is creating a great deal of interest.

**SPUDDING IN LATE,
BUT STORM WASN'T**

**People Fail to See Spudding in,
but Get a Thrill on Returning Home.**

Plainview, Aug. 27.—A crowd of people gathered Thursday at the site of the Moffitt well No. 1, to be drilled by the Moffitt Development Company, were disappointed when the well was not spudded in, due to the fact that it was found impossible to heat and sharpen the drill bit. The crowd which missed the excitement of seeing a well spudded in was sufficiently thrilled, however, on returning home, where it was found the town of Plainview had been in the wake of a severe storm. Houses were flooded with water, some roofs had been blown off, shade trees were blown down and other damage done.

The spudding in of the well was postponed to Friday. It is located in section 28-4-22.

OIL SHOWING REPORTED

Slush Pit at Delotte Well "Covered With Oil," It Is Said.

Special to the Gazette. *1921*
Plainview, Sept. 20.—Considerable oil was bailed from the Delotte well today, according to reports received here. The well is down approximately 1,000 feet, and was spudded in August 28. It is in section 28-4-22, three miles west of Plainview. The Moffett Development Company, headed by O. C. Moffett of Jennings, Okla., is in charge of operations. Drilling will be continued tonight, and it is probable a test will be made tomorrow. It was reported tonight that the slush pit was covered with oil. The well has 342 feet of 12 1/2-inch casing, and that is about 5,000 feet more on the ground. A standard rig is being used.

**OIL REPORTED IN
YELL COUNTY TEST**

Showing in Test by Greeks' Syndicate Creates Excitement.

Special to the Gazette. *10-4-28*
Gravelly, Oct. 3.—The barrel or two of oil which has been bailed from the No. 1 well of the Gravelly Petroleum Company, near here, has created much excitement in this section of Yell county. Work at the test has been suspended until arrival of officials from New York when it is expected the well will be deepened about 300 feet. Showing of oil is the result of about three months' efforts by Simon Simonedes of Pine Bluff and several other Greeks, who formed a company backed by New York capital, and blocked off 20,000 acres.

Drilling with a standard rig has progressed and created but little interest, due to similar tests made in this section several years ago. But when an oil showing was reported yesterday, persons for many miles around began flocking to the well, taking samples of the oil and talking of oil possibilities. Mr. Simonedes, who was interested in the development of oil in Oklahoma several years ago, and in charge of the drilling here, although pleased with the showing, does not appear excited. He says that it will be several days, and perhaps weeks, before the real oil can be reached. The company has planned to make a real test of possibilities in the section and will drill, if necessary, to a depth of 2,500 feet, he said.

The test is within five miles of the two wells drilled five or six years ago, which first were reported as high gravity wells, only to be water wells with a small percentage of oil. Mr. Simonedes says that the oil found in the present test is of low gravity, although he hopes to encounter a better grade

**GAS FRANCHISE IS
GRANTED PROMOTER**

Dardanelle Seeks Development of Yell County Field. *1/23/29*

Special to the Gazette.
Dardanelle, Jan. 23.—Development of a possible gas field in Yell county, west of Dardanelle, is sought in the granting of a franchise to W. C. Tegtmeler.

Under terms of the ordinances the company is to begin drilling within a radius of seven miles of Dardanelle on the south side of Arkansas river within 90 days. The well must be drilled to 3,500 feet. It is planned to drill a quarter-mile south of the road which leads to Mount Nebo State Park about four miles west of Dardanelle.

Officials say that if the company does not strike gas by August 1, other arrangements for natural gas will be made.

Mr. Tegtmeler has purchased leases of Dr. A. C. Gannaway, who approximately 18 months ago struck a small supply of gas at 1,100 feet, dropped a bit into the well, which never has been recovered.

Six-Inch Casing May Be Needed in Dardanelle Test Well.

Special to the Gazette. *8/31/29*
Dardanelle, Aug. 30.—Efforts to lower the eight-inch casing in the Tegtmeler-Luckett test well, a mile and a half west of here, have been unsuccessful, and it is believed that it will be necessary to put down a string of six-inch casing before drilling can be resumed. About two weeks will be required for the lowering of the new casing. The well is now down to a depth of 3,100 feet.

M. W. Greeson Gets Dardanelle Gas Franchise. *2-1-30*

Special to the Gazette.
Dardanelle, Jan. 31.—The City Council has given a franchise to M. W. Greeson to furnish gas here. Work will be started at once on a pipe line from Charleston to Dardanelle, Ola and Booneville.

Dardanelle will be headquarters for the system that Mr. Greeson is planning, which includes Paris, Charleston, Branch, Radcliffe, Blue Mountain, Scranton, Subiaco, Ola, Belleville, Magazine and Booneville.

It is said that the pipe line work during the next six or eight months will involve an expenditure of \$500,000.

Drilling of Dardanelle Test Well to Begin March 1.

Special to the Gazette. *2-7-30*
Dardanelle, Feb. 6.—Drilling at the Tegtmeler-Luckett test well No. 1, two miles west of Dardanelle will be resumed about March 1 and will be drilled to a depth of 4,500 feet. The well now is at a depth of 3,600 feet.

Drilling Resumed on Test Well Near Dardanelle.

Special to the Gazette. *3-8-30*
Dardanelle, March 7.—The Tegtmeler-Luckett test well has resumed operations and is down to a depth of 3,550 feet and is cased to a depth of 3,515 feet. After having penetrated several hundred feet of dark Atoka shale, oil men familiar with the log of the well expect a gusher. The well will be drilled to a depth of 5,500 unless production is reached sooner.

Rumored Oil Sand Struck.

Dardanelle, Aug. 30.—(Special.)—Drilling on the Tegtmeler-Luckett oil test well, on the Frank Balloon farm, one and one-half mile west of Dardanelle continues and it has been rumored that the "Wileox" sand had been struck. However the rumor could not be verified as officials of the well are not giving out any information. The well is said to be at a depth of 5,000 feet. The well is now being drilled with a 5-inch bit. *8-31-30*

Test for Oil to Be Made in Vicinity of Plainview.

Special to the Gazette. *10-24-31*
Plainview, Oct. 23.—William Harbison and R. C. McIntosh of Tulsa, Okla., were here this week completing arrangements to drill for oil and gas in this vicinity. They contemplate drilling by November 15.

Oil Test Near Havana Will Be Started Soon.

Special to the Gazette. *10-29-32*
Danville, Oct. 28.—The Rainbow Oil and Gas Company of Tulsa, Okla., with a Yell county office at Havana, is placing tools on ground for the first well on Berry land, near Havana. The cellar and slush pond are completed, the derrick is being built and much of the casing and other material is on the ground. The company plans to begin drilling November 1. The second well will be located between Danville and Ranger. This company has leases covering an area of five miles wide by 20 miles long.

**Mixture of Oil Believed in Water
Well Near Havana.**

2-19-39
Special to the Gazette.
Havana, Feb. 28.—Oil, or something similar, in a well drilled for water on the L. L. Frames farm, four miles west of Havana, has attracted considerable attention the past two months. The well is only 65 feet deep, but everybody who has seen it feels certain that there is a trace of oil in the water.

**Danville Business Men to Back
Yell County Oil Test.**

7-2-39
Special to the Gazette.
Danville, July 1.—A group of Danville business men have obtained a block of several thousand acres in the vicinity of Ranger, a community about seven miles northeast of Danville, and plan to drill for oil soon. Carl Roady, Danville, who has been active in obtaining the leases, said. Burt Mullins of Oklahoma City, who was here this week looking over the block, will return soon with a geologist for further study.

**Well on Scott-Yell County
Lease Started.**

3-29-41
Special to the Gazette.
Waldron, March 28.—Drilling operations have been started at the test well being drilled by Ace Gutowsky and Edward C. Harvey of Tulsa, Okla., near Nola, 25 miles east of here. The well, located in the northeast southwest southeast section 25, Township 3 North, Range 26 West, is about one and one-half miles east of Nola, and about a mile from Gravelly. Acreage under lease is located in both Scott and Yell counties.