

SOUTHWESTERN SWABBINGS

Drilling Reports,
News of the Field

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Fourth producer for the Terrapin Ridge southwest extension area of the Flag Lake field, Henderson County, was believed near Wednesday as coring for the pay horizon continued below 3,220 feet at Texas No. 2 Nolan, south of No. 1 Nolan discovery and east of Peyton No. 1 Carter.

With the chalk picked high at 2,186, the section thickened to run about normal with the Peyton well. The Texas operation was expected to find the pay by Wednesday. Completion method has not been determined with some talk of carrying the hole to water.

South of the Peyton well one location, Richards & Holloway and Chalk & Slaughter No. 2 Tarkington is drilling ahead after basing the Austin about normal at 2,610.

Peyton Oiler Completed.

A twenty-four-hour gauge through an eighth choke makes Peyton No. 1 Carter the best so far for the extension area. It made 102 barrels under pressures of 1,250 pounds on casing and 850 pounds on tubing with a normal ratio. It has been given the field allowance of 96 barrels daily, the June midmonth quota cut having knocked off four barrels on producers in the original pool.

The flow is from perforations (twelve shots) at 3,067-72, total depth. Previous reports that these holes were squeezed and others made higher when a little water developed appears erroneous. None of the three producers has gone into water, although Texas No. 1 Nolan showed water on Schlumberger but was later corrected.

A mile east of Ewing in Angelina County, McHenry No. 1 Henderson is drilling hard shale and shells at 4,480 on a deep test.

Upper Gulf Coast

A new and higher sand was uncovered in the Cotton Lake area of Chambers County when J. R. Turnbull No. 1 A. B. Lawrence, S. Barrow survey, recovered fifteen stands of 21 gravity oil on a fifteen-minute drill-stem test at 4,555-71. Operators cored ahead to 4,500 and are running casing to bottom to complete.

Two miles south of production at Seabreeze in Chambers, Sun No. 1-C White cored to 2,050 in sand where Schlumberger is being run.

In Harris County and northwest of Friendswood production Humble No. 1 Houston Development Company is drilling sandy shale at 7,340.

A new Wharton County wildcat started in the Spanish Camp area is Plummer No. 2 Sorrell which has 1,200 feet of surface pipe set.

Lower Gulf Coast

Humble has finally junked No. 1 Terrant, wildcat on the Ben Bolt prospect in Jim Wells County, after failure to extract pipe. Total depth is 6,570. Two and a half miles northeast, Humble is moving in at No. 1 Adams. Echols No. 1 Blazen, three miles northwest of Orange Grove, is below 1,600.

In Live Oak County Adair No. 1 Schultz, four miles north of Oakville, is below 700 after a shutdown for repairs. It showed gas at 325 and 420. Holland No. 2 George West, Ragland survey, is going ahead below surface pipe at 189 after installing heavier rig.

Taft Wildcat Drilling.

East of Taft production in San Patricio County mile and a half, Humble No. 1 Carmody is drilling past 6,535.

A Refugio County wildcat, Allen No. 2 Rooke, five miles southwest of Woodsboro, is past 5,320.

Dirks Brothers' No. 1 Amberg, Bee County test ten miles west of Normana, is drilling below 2,750.

Randon Oil is rigging up No. 1 C. G. and Bertha Ruhman, Karnes County wildcat three miles northeast of Kennedy.

Southwest Texas

In the North Alta Mesa area of Brooks County, Atlantic is coring ahead past 4,900 at No. 1 Mestena, Emeralds survey.

Arkansas Fuel No. 2 Cuellar Brothers, seven miles southwest of San Diego in the new Duval County discovery area, is drilling below 3,200.

In McMullen County Alaska-Tex No. 1 Messer, eight miles northwest of Tiden, is drilling below 2,250. Shumway & Burns No. 1 Shiner Ranch, eight miles north of Wentz, is below surface casing.

Paul Teas and others No. 1 Grizzard, Bastrop County deep test nine miles south of Smithville, has spudded.

West Texas

Southwest Gaines County's promising small discovery, Eastland No. 1 Dunbar, is looking bad after pumping off accumulation and now showing about three barrels of sulphur water

per hour with an oil scum and considerable sulphur gas. First five hours pumping recovered forty barrels of fluid, 80 per cent oil. Total depth is 4,640.

Northwest of Cedar Lake in Gaines Perryman No. 1 Doak is drilling lime and anhydrite at 4,637. Fiddle & Warr No. 1 Brown, southeast of Seagraves, is past 4,135 in anhydrite and red rock.

South Andrews County's discovery, Rhodes & Tompkins No. 1 Cowden, flowed sixty barrels in the first hour, when opened after being shut in for storage. Bottomed at 4,220, it will be treated with 1,500 gallons of acid.

South Basin Area. Showing about fifteen gallons of oil in twelve hours, drilling continues past 4,194 at Casteel, Ranger and Mixon & Richards No. 1 Hendrick, Ector County wildcat southeast of the Harper pool. It had slight shows higher up.

In Crane County Gulf No. 2 Waddell, quarter mile north of Ellenberger production in the Sand Hills area, is to treat with 1,000 gallons of acid. Swabbing recovered 24 barrels in sixteen hours. Total depth is 6,063. To the northwest, Gulf No. 4 McKnight is in gray lime at 4,888.

In East Crane and in the new area northwest of the Church-Fields pool, Magnolia has completed underreaming at No. 1 University and drilling ahead in red rock at 1,160.

Central West Texas

Acid treatment with 1,500 gallons was reported to have been given Daube Brothers No. 1 Bennett, Noodle Creek lime discovery southwest of Nolan in Fisher County. Reports received in Dallas were unfavorable but indefinite. Previously the well had made several flows up to thirty barrels an hour. Pay is 3,685-95.

The Nolan field's east extensioner, General Crude No. 1 Casey, pumped 442 barrels on twenty-four-hour commission test to make a good well. Production is natural. Total depth is 3,536.

Taylor Wildcat Drilling.

Hope for a Taylor County pool dimmed when Lewis No. 1 Hensker, four miles east of Merkel, pumped dry in five hours, recovering 16 barrels of oil, on a test of lower Hope sandy lime at 2,483-88. Rods were pulled and drilling continues at 2,571 in sandy shale.

Six miles southeast of Sweetwater in Nolan County, Ajax, Oyster and Anderson & Harkrider No. 1 Withers is drilling anhydrite and lime past 2,178.

In Stonewall County five miles south of Aspermont, Fields No. 1 Lee is drilling below 3,200. The well found the Noodle Creek around 2,950 with no shows. In South Stonewall, north of the Rotan field, Jones No. 1 Smith is bottomed at 2,500, where Schlumberger is being run.

New Jones Locations.

Wrightsmen Oil Company, Fort Worth, has staked two tests in the new Hamby pool, Southeast Jones County. No. 1 F. W. Shotwell is an east offset to the discovery, Terry No. 1 Bartlett, and No. 1 Powers heirs as a northeast offset. Both are in section 59. Fox & Rudd No. 1 Shotwell, southeast offset, has spudded.

North of Ivy production in Northwest Shackelford County, J. G. Hammond No. 1 Mansker is reported to have run casing after logging a slight show in Palo Pinto lime at 3,241. It is in section 15B.

Ten miles southwest of Throckmorton in Throckmorton County, Jones & Stamey No. 1 Brockman is drilling ahead in lime below 4,400. The well had streaks of saturation in Caddo lime at 4,290-4,365.

Other States

Nacotch production appeared opened at Joe Modisette No. 1 Union Sawmill land, wildcat in the New London area of Union County, Arkansas, but operators were coring ahead. Sand with shale streaks was cored from 2,328-85 and on a 20-minute drill-stem test at 2,335-85 the recovery was five joints of oil and mud with some gas and no salt water. Location is in section 8-18s-12w.

In South Louisiana Amerada apparently has another oiler in the Cheneyville field, Rapides Parish, as No. 5 well cored oil sand with good porosity at 5,990-6,006. Location is in section 53-1s-2e.

A Cameron Parish failure is Robinson No. 1 Mermentau Minerals Land, Little Cheniere area, abandoned at 6,535 in shale.

North Texas

Southeast Childress County's two active deep tests dropped to one when Aggers No. 1 Schullter-Later, north of Kirkland, halted drilling at 1,965 for title work. McMillan & Humble No. 1 Furr, south of Kirkland, is drilling lime and shale at 2,540.

In Foard County south of Crowell, Wynn & Smith No. 1 Worsham is drilling shale at 3,100.

In Southeast Baylor County, Wilcox

No. 1 Portwood topped the Caddo at 4,735 and is drilling past 4,775.

Wichita Test to Complete.

Shell is preparing to complete No. 1 Reilly, wildcat west of K.M.A. production in Wichita County, after lengthy testing for water shut-off. The well flowed 55 barrels in four hours through tubing under pressure of 200 pounds on tubing and 600 pounds on casing.

In the Bolivar area of Denton County, Bourland & Cannon No. 1 Forrester, 900 feet southeast of the discovery, is estimated good for 15 to 20 barrels daily while cleaning out and testing. The well has sand at 1,680-83, total depth.

North of Anderson-Kerr production in Cooke County, Nutting and others No. 1 Johnson is drilling shale at 2,380 after logging dry and slightly higher.