

New Oil Well Hits Record Depth; Drops Nearly Two Miles In Rock

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Twelve Woolworth buildings set on top of each other would just equal its depth.

Fifteen men, working three shifts a day, drilled the well at an estimated cost of \$300,000.

Oil field engineers describe the well as "virtually straight" for its entire depth, which is considered unusual for a well extending nearly two miles into the earth.

The entire drill weighed 347 tons. Miles of steel cable, on a powerful steam-driven drum, handled the

drill by working through a six-ton, six-wheel pulley block hung in the top of the derrick.

Eight hours were spent by the drillers for each "round trip" to unfurl a core of bored rock.

Sometimes the drill, boring through hard blue shale, became dull after a short bore. Through-out the mile and four-fifths depth the drill penetrated sedimentary rocks.

Strata included alternating layers of sand, sandstone, gravel, clay, hard blue shale, broken shale and oil sands. Numerous fossilized shells were found in rocks from great depths.

Three layers of oil sand, ranging from 100 to 200 feet thick, were penetrated near the 8,000-foot level, but none below that. Tests from these sands brought confidence of obtaining oil there.

Now the well casing is being cemented so production of oil may begin soon.

Home at Elgin Is Destroyed By Flames Sunday

By Mrs. Lynn Hill

ELGIN, Ore. (Special)—Fire completely destroyed the James Carter house on Nob Hill Sunday evening about 9 o'clock. Mr. Carter had left a fire in the stove when he went down town. It is said the entire interior of the house was in flames before a neighbor, Mrs. Hanford Reed, saw the glow from the place on one of their windows. Alarm was immediately turned in but due to the advanced state of the fire, nothing at all was saved. The loss was only partly covered by insurance. Mr. Carter, who lived alone in the house, has no plans for the present, though he may go elsewhere for a while. He has a son in Union, and plans to visit with him a little later.

Dr. Fred W. Thompson, of The Dalles, was a dinner guest last Friday at the home of his brother, Dr. W. H. Thompson, of Elgin. The doctor called at Hot Lake while in the valley, but returned to The Dalles the same day. He has been interested in The Dalles hospital for a number of years. Arthur Cook, city engineer, of The Dalles, made the trip to this part of Eastern Ore-

gon with Dr. Thompson.

The local Presbyterian church has announced a very unusual event for April 3. On that day the Rev. Mr. Cozzen, of Elgin, Ariz., will be present and deliver a message of missionary endeavor that is being carried on in those fields.

He is also much interested in the radio and broadcasts from the station at Elgin and the progress of the work. Mr. Cozzen is assistant superintendent of the industrial school there, under the Presbyterian board of missions and it is under the auspices of this board that the worker will come to Elgin.

Mrs. Jonathan Green is still making trips to La Grande to have her injured hand dressed.

Miss Helen Reed, teacher at Highland, and Miss Ruth Hensley, teacher of Hindman school, spent this weekend at Miss Hensley's home in Lostine.

Charles Webb, of Elgin, was accused of fishing without a license and was taken into custody by the warden in Wallawa county.

The play "Comical Country Cousins" being prepared by the Women's club will be presented Saturday evening at the opera house. The characters are Aunt Ophelia, the boss, Mrs. M. G. Allen; Cousin Sukey from Sidecomb Corners, Mrs. R. L. Osborne; Cousin Mollie who can plow like sixty, Mrs. W. H. Thompson; Cousin Della from Doughnut Creek; Cousin Sarah, looking for a man; Cousin Jane who's got

city ways and Cousin Cecelia from Birmingham, Mrs. James Oke. Mrs. E. W. Keller, Mrs. Bernal Hine and Mrs. Melvin Barnes; Cousin "Bambam" after the Hon. eighty, Mrs. Lynn Hill, the Hon. Nels Rasmussen, Cousin Meribdy, who sings like a bird, Mrs. Melvin Barnes; May Jinnie, a "colored" lady, Mrs. Hanford Reed and Topsy, a little dandy, Mrs. Earl Chandler. A number of others will assist in the evening's entertainment. A short concert play will be put on by Mrs. Nels Rasmussen, Mrs. R. L. Osborne, Mrs. Earl Chandler and Mrs. Benja Willis.

The Women's club is very grateful to the Bowman-Hicks Lumber company for the lumber donated to be used in constructing dressing rooms for the new swimming pool. The lumber has been of great assistance in the work of preparing the pool for use.

Hug also comes in for a share of the appreciation for furnishing a man with a truck for transporting the lumber from La Grande. About 4000 feet was delivered to the park grounds Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Osborne and son, Dick, spent Sunday in La Grande. The day was spent in a family reunion at the home of Mrs. R. L. Osborne with the Has-thug Osborne family from Haines also present. The two young men are Mrs. Osborne's sons.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson had Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rice as guests at dinner Saturday evening.

Hanford Reed and Earl Sager made a trip to La Grande Monday to bring out a truck load of large pipe to be used in Mr. Reed's new dam in Elgin. The mill is nearly ready to begin work as soon as weather conditions make it possible. The pipe being used was that from the Lane Tree factory which was burned last winter.

The Eastern Star social club will meet Friday April 4 at the home of Mrs. E. E. Arant. A large attendance is desired as several matters of importance will be discussed.

The Methodist Ladies Aid will meet in the Sunday school room of the church on Tuesday afternoon.

An explosion of the brooder stove killed 10 baby chicks at the Cool Gateway farm on the Indian Creek market road. No details are available at present.

William Esell, 80-year-old Elgin resident, shows but slight improvement. He has been ill of pneumonia for the last two weeks. His son, Ad Esell, arrived from San Francisco last Sunday.

Americans In France Are Slow In Appreciating Stage Jokes

By John Evans

(Associated Press Staff Writer)

PARIS (AP)—Why are Americans in France slower to laugh than the same type of people in America?

A year or two abroad seems to make them slow on the trigger when they see an American comedy, played in English by the same company that gets quick action from audiences on Broadway, in the middle west or on the Pacific coast.

Well-proved successes, fresh from the United States, must be re-timed here to give the audience opportunity to "get the laugh."

This is one of the interesting points out of the experience of the American theatrical season put on here for twelve weeks by Carol M. Sax, founder of the "Hattinore Vagabond Players." The reason, says Sax, is that the technique of the American stage has been modernized.

"Formerly the actor, by pause or other indication, gave the signal for a laugh," he explained, "but today, the American audience is mentally on its toes and seldom misses its cue. Over here, I think, the Americans are out of touch with America, unconsciously wait for some of the signals to which they were accustomed some ago."

The American players solved the problem by having one or two characters show just the slightest

sign of amusement, when the "joke cue" came, so as to catch off the audience.

Although the American players were brought here by Sax as an artistic experiment and he expected to lose money, the latter half of the season showed a profit and the 56 performances of six American plays and one French play given in English, broke even if transportation of the company to and from New York were eliminated.

Anyway Sax, with wealthy friends behind him, has decided to play here every year, starting toward the end of the French season in May, and running into the summer. Here are some of the discoveries made by Sax:

"French amusement taxes took 25 per cent of my receipts."

"Those Americans who are pro-French never came until the at-ways fairly French criticisms were published, so they might take the French view of things."

"Audiences were composed of 60 per cent French, yet not a single French person attended on the night of Friday, the 13th."

"The Americans here were shocked at the rather 'free' lines in big American successes, such as 'The Road to Rome' and 'The Barker'; much more so than at far more daring French plays or than people in America."

Judge—You are accused of stealing eggs from this grocer's store. What have you to say?

Accused—Your honor, I took them in error.

Judge—In error? Just what do you mean?

Accused—Well, sir, I thought they were fresh.

ADDITIONS ARE DANGEROUS.

Jim—"Will you please make a little more as I give ya?"

Minister—"Why do you make such a request?"

Jim—"Well, it's like this—my first boy I tell ya I wanta bein' named 'Tom' and ya christened him 'Thomas.' Now I wanta dis one named 'Jack.'"

According to a novelist, 30 is the proper age for a woman. "If she isn't proper by that time, she never will be."

Personally we favor the long skirt, if it's short enough.



A country correspondent wrote to the editor, and put it up to the old gentleman to answer the old question—

"Why does a chicken cross the road?"

The editor, a Yankee, replied in Yankee fashion—

"We will answer that one, when you answer this one. Why does a chicken cross her knees?"

WHAT DOTIE IT PROFIT A MAN TO WRITE A NAUGHTY BOOK IF NOBODY WILL DE-NOUCE IT?

Never strike a man when he is down. You see, he might get up.

Moving Cattle And Sheep To Grazing Lands

Mrs. G. W. White

(Observer Correspondent)

HOT LAKE (Special)—John Peterson and Al Mays are driving Peterson's sheep up to their Powder River grazing land. Mr. Peterson will set up his shearing camp on the river later. Al Mays will herd the band.

Will Vogel moved his sheep from this section last week.

Joe Lay, of The Park, who has been feeding his cattle on the Schwecke place this winter, drove the herd back to their summer grazing land in The Park country Saturday.

Mrs. John Peterson and daughter Velma were visitors at the Nell Woods home in La Grande Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Kohler are the owners of a new coach. Ernest Kohler spent Monday in La Grande with his brother and they drove their new car home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer N. Jacobs, of North Powder and Bertha Doyle,

of Union, were callers at the John Peterson home Sunday.

Miss Alice White is cashier in the cafeteria at Hot Lake for a couple of weeks for Mrs. Gekeler who has gone to Portland for her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lindsey were shoppers in La Grande last Saturday.

Alva Olson was a visitor at Hot Lake Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Baxter, proprietors of the Hot Lake store.

Kenneth Kofford, tall boy at the Lake, drove to Nampa, Idaho Saturday morning with his father, J. A. Kofford and sister, Vivian, where they were called by the death of their grandfather, John Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. White were host and hostess at a birthday dinner at their home in honor of Mrs. White's father, J. W. Baxter, of Union, Wednesday, April 2. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Atkinson, of Union, Mrs. Caroline Neff, of Salt Lake City and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baxter and some Reynolds and Veryl and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Baxter and baby themes and William Wright, all of Union.

A field monument at Chicago received 1,153,159 visitors last year.

COACH NEVER PLAYED, YET HIS TEAM TAKES 'EM ALL

MATEY RAYNES, much CAPT. coached by a man who never played basketball, the high school team of this village of 250 people has piled up a five-year record of 67 victories in 75 regularly scheduled games.

It has won three district championship, three regional titles and has gone to the state finals in three of five years.

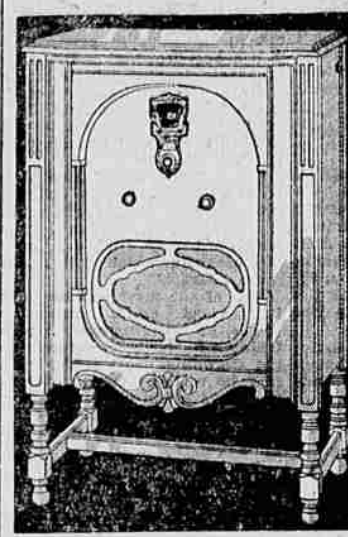
Couch M. J. Payne, a graduate of Michigan State college, never played basketball in high school or college. The team plays in class 12 competition.

TWO RAMBLER STARS

RANG UP THEIR STARS SOUTH BEND (AP)—Two of the most outstanding athletes at the University of Notre Dame in years have hung up their spurs in support for good, so they say.

Jack Elder, track and gridiron hero, has gone to work in Chicago, and Zei Alonzo Twomey, football player, is to enter business with his father in Duluth, Minn.

An orange tree planted in 1854 at Ridgell Bay near Oranville, Ohio, still is bearing fruit.



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