

TALK OF OIL AND GAS AGAIN RIFE IN POLK COUNTY

By Charles B. Hodgkin.

Dallas, Or., April 7.—Many people of the influential class in this county are laboring under the firm belief that there is plenty of oil and gas under the ground in Dallas, and as they evidently have some good reason for their belief, they naturally think that the matter should have more attention than it is receiving.

This belief exists in face of the fact that so-called government geologists have pronounced against the existence of oil in quantities that would pay to produce it. There is seemingly no doubt as to the existence of oil. It has been discovered in a number of wells, and those who express a familiarity with conditions declare that it would not be difficult to drill and secure enough natural gas to heat and light every house in Dallas and also for cooking purposes.

It is a long story that accounts for the failure to develop this territory for either gas or oil. In a nutshell it is claimed that existing oil producers are so powerful, that it has proved an impossibility to interest capital to any extent to exploit the production and some Dallas people, some of them using gas from wells dug for water, have not sufficient confidence in the field, in the face of the geological report, to back up their belief in the existence of this valuable product with their own capital.

A couple of drills have been put down over 2000 feet and in both instances gas was encountered, and in one instance a considerable supply was found, but not in a sufficient quantity to warrant it being classed as a find. Many of those who were interested in the drilling operations were of the opinion that could they have gone down a few hundred feet deeper, they would have struck oil in paying quantities.

The present situation seems to be one that needs attention. If there is cheap fuel in Dallas it should be developed. It would be the means of building a big factory town where Dallas stands. It would make every acre of land in Polk county more valuable because the building of such a town would furnish employment to potential users of farm products. The people interested desire facts concerning the presence of oil and gas. If the facts as received should warrant the outcome the adverse report of the government geologist could be removed and it would be possible to interest men with capital to at least secure the development of what is claimed to be certainly here.

ASKS RADIO PLANT FOR BOURBON NOMINATION

Dallas, Or., April 7.—W. V. Fuller of Dallas, district warden of the forestry service, has made application to the federal authorities at the Mather field radio station in California for a wireless receiving outfit which will be installed in Dallas, the exact site having not as yet been definitely decided upon. A like machine was in operation under Mr. Fuller's direction last year, being installed upon the top of Bald mountain.

MOTORISTS FAIL TO HEED SIGNALS

Signal bells and "wig-wag" signals at grade crossings command but little respect from the average motorist, according to T. A. Raffety, chief of the state traffic squad.

In a test conducted at the East Alta street crossing in Pendleton on February 11 only two out of a total of 30 automobiles using the crossing during the 43-minute period, came to a complete stop as the law requires when approaching a crossing with a warning bell and "wig-wag" in operation. Nine others slowed their automobiles down to a speed of 15 miles as required in approaching any grade crossing whether protected by signals or not. The other 19 "hit or miss" over the crossings at speeds varying from 20 to 30 miles per hour with the bell and "wig-wag" in operation during the entire test period.

In a letter which Raffety is sending out to the members of the state state squad particular attention is called to this apparent disregard on the part of motorists for warning signals at railroad crossings and for the state laws covering the use of grade crossings. Raffety lays stress upon the point that the state traffic regulations require all motorists to bring their machines down to a speed of not to exceed 15 miles an hour for a distance of 150 feet from a grade crossing. Non-observance of this provision, he points out, is a direct violation of the law and is punishable by the courts.

Improving Hotel. Dallas, Or., April 7.—Improvements amounting to about \$2500 are being made to the Gall hotel in this city, the work being done by M. K. Van Horn. The entire interior of the building is being repapered and repainted and the building and brick annex given a thorough overhauling and renovation. It is expected that to finish the work will require about another month's time. As soon as the interior work is finished the exterior of the building will be repainted.

Last Photo of Siamese Twins



This photograph of Rosa and Josefa Blazek, known throughout the world as the "Siamese Twins," was taken as they lay on their deathbed in a Chicago hospital.

DALLAS SCHOOL TEACHERS CHOSEN

Dallas, Or., April 7.—At a recent meeting of the Dallas school board, district No. 2, the following teachers were elected for the coming school term. High school—J. A. Giffin, Jeanette Kleising, Blanche Mellinger and Gladys Poulson. Grade school—Mrs. Anna Forette, Mrs. Vera Strayer, Mrs. Jennie Smith, Mrs. Alta Cerny, Helen Fletcher, Audrey Tuor, Addie Martin, Ada Farmer, Pearl Fegley, Genevieve Jost, Marjiam Hart, Mrs. Emma Jost, Mrs. P. H. Morrison and Norma Calbreath. Bernice Newbill was re-elected and granted a leave of absence for one year. R. R. Turner was re-elected city superintendent of schools.

A committee of five taxpayers of the district was appointed to serve as a budget committee. They are: Henry Voth, C. L. Crider, J. J. Wick, C. J. Coas, W. E. Baitantyne and the school director. The members of this committee appointed a committee of three from among themselves to submit a tentative budget at a meeting to be held at some date in the near future.

MATLOCK MILL HAULING LUMBER TO DALLAS YARD

Dallas, Or., April 7.—Hauling lumber from the mill of the Matlock Lumber company, located about three miles out from Dallas on the Ellendale road, started the first of the month and about eight loads are being hauled out by two large motor trucks. The lumber is being hauled to the yard in this city, but the company is shipping a considerable amount to outside points in carload lots.

1400 POUNDS OF RODENT POISON SENT TO FARMS

Dallas, Or., April 7.—About 1400 pounds of squirrel poison has been prepared by County Agent Paul Carpenter and shipped out to the community committees by freight. The entire shipment, this being the second consignment, amounted to 19 large burlap sacks, each of the committees receiving about 50 pounds. The poison is mixed under a standard formula and is sold to the farmers at actual cost. Last year the amount of poison put out amounted to 4000 pounds, but according to Mr. Carpenter, the amount this year will greatly exceed that amount.

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Sizes 2 1/2 to 7.....\$2.98
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Chic New Spring Millinery Showing a Diversity of Models

It is enough, of course, to know that a hat is stylish and becoming, but when it is known that it is an exact copy of a late French creation, how much more interesting it is! The several models here illustrated give but a glimpse of the wide selection that here awaits the matron and miss. The prices are amazingly low, authenticity of style considered.

The display includes every conceivable fashion, from the perky tailored chapeau of unrelenting outline to the transparent lace hat with a lazy droop—from the ever-straight brimmed sailor to the brilliantly flowered and colored hats that suggest Springtime loveliness.

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- A—Medium poke, rolled back, of Sand Tweed cloth; Jade Crepe de Chine facing; trimmed in wool embroidery and straw pom pom.
- B—Medium Poke, of Jade Viscant Straw, sectional crown; Jade Crepe de Chine facing and flange; trimmed with orange ribbon.
- C—Dress Hat of Bonfire Red hair braid; straw pom pom. Off-of-the-face effect.
- D—Large Dress Hat of Copen hair braid; wreath in front of Nacre flowers.
- E—Large Mushroom Hat of Periwinkle Tagal straw; rose Crepe de Chine side crown and facing; flowers appliqued on side of crown.
- F—Sport Hat in chic turn-up-in front effect—of Periwinkle Crepe de Chine with facing of white Tagal straw and trimmed in wool and bead.

Smart New Wear for Milady

Three of Spring's Most Stunning Modes

The evolution of style brings creations that are strictly new and distinctive, but it has been a long time since so much fresh and distinct newness has been designed in apparel as the three rich and handsome garments here illustrated. These are advance models we are showing, permitted by our close arrangements with the designers.

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Skirt of large check wool velour, buttoned down front with fancy buttons. Coat of plain flannel; reverses and cuffs in check to match skirt; two pockets finished with fancy buttons.

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(RIGHT)

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