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California Oil Production.

That the oil industry is putting forth every effort to meet the petroleum shortage on the Pacific Coast is fully demonstrated in the figures of October crude-oil production. The October production of 8,828,122 barrels is the largest production ever recorded in California for a month, and is an increase of approximately 1,000,000 barrels over the production of January of this year.

In 1914, during the days of "cusher" wells in the Midway Field, California produced 168,622,695 barrels of crude oil, the state record output. Many observers believed that production had reached its peak and that it would thereafter decline, this being the history of the oil-fields of other states. How little one may see into the future of the industry is well shown from the fact that the production of 1920 will unquestionably exceed the banner year of 1914. The indications are that the output for both November and December will be greater than that of October, and that the total production for 1920 will be greater than that of 1914 by at least two millions of barrels.

Today California has two new fields in active development, the Elk Hills Field, of Kern county, and the Huntington Beach Field, southeast of Long Beach. One of these, the Elk Hills Field, is chiefly responsible for the increased production which will carry California to a new record, and is one of the most remarkable and productive oil-fields in the history of the state. In the other field, the Huntington Beach Field, the development is as yet too limited to determine the full extent of the field, but the evidence to date indicates a pool of great possibilities. At the moment of writing, a well just completed in this field is producing 6000 barrels daily.

There are now 474 wells drilling in the state, the greatest number since January, 1912. Many of these wells are drilling in unexplored areas, and the efforts of these "blizzards" may result in new oil-fields. It is estimated that the 474 wells now drilling will cost at least \$20,000,000.

Consumption of California crude oil in October was more than 10,000,000 barrels, and in excess of production by approximately 20,000 barrels daily. While this consumption is probably above normal, it constitutes a record consumption. It appears nevertheless quite possible that the present pace of production and development may over-

come the deficiency in production—Standard Oil Bulletin.

How About a Town Woodlot For Heppner?

With coal triple the price of 20 years ago and not much probability of it ever being much lower than double the old price, we are wondering if it wouldn't be a great idea to make forestry a community interest here and everywhere in the United States.

You can't interest the cities in forestry; they are too busy with money and frivolities, moreover, the community spirit in the cities is very weak. In the rural town, however, it is a different matter. The people are near enough to the country to love outdoor scenery, love trees and all growing things. They are pretty nearly a unit on that to start with. Then everybody knows everybody else—the community spirit is strong—an excellent condition for such a great esthetic, patriotic and economic movement as forestry.

Why wouldn't it be a good scheme for the authorities of every hamlet, village and town in America to secure an adjacent piece of land, adequate to the size and needs of the particular community, and plant trees on it for the purpose of creating a municipal woodlot? This is the suggestion of President Pack of the American Forestry Association. He believes that by pursuing this program it would be but comparatively a few years until many or most homes in our towns and villages would be heated largely by the use of wood.

The community spirit would make a success of the enterprise once started. As witness:

The school children of Watertown, New York, set out 10,000 trees.

The children of Newburg, N. Y., set out 5000 trees.

The freshmen of the New York State College of Forestry have planted half a million trees on abandoned farms near the little town of Lacona.

Who will lead a public woodlot movement in this town?

False Pride; False Self Respect

Learning that there were many thousand idle workmen in Detroit, Mayor Couzens offered a thousand jobs at street cleaning and other municipal labor at what used to be a fat wage. Here is Couzens' report: "Of 255 jobs at street cleaning, paying \$6 per day, and garbage collecting, paying \$4.50, which the city offered, only eight were accepted. The unemployed apparently don't want jobs; they want positions, while the Detroit editors conclude that, after high wages in automobile factories, Detroit's 75,000 unemployed are 'too proud' to do ordinary public labor."

Whereat a great editor with the city slant on things wrote:

"It is well for mankind that men who formed a mighty army in a great factory, associating with better fellows than ever before, standing higher socially and in their own self-respect than ever before should rebel in pure pride against rolling a garbage can or chasing street refuse in a gutter for 25 a day, or any other wage."

And yet the farmer does exactly those same things every day in his barn and his feed lot and in his fields, and he does them with pride and self-respect. Would it be well for mankind if the farmer refused to clean out the cattle

stalls every day or twice a day? Would it be well for mankind if the farmer, through pride, refused to trudge in mud and dirt following the plow and cultivator, following the example of the city workmen who declined to work on the streets?

It would not be well for mankind; mankind would starve from the face of the earth. The trouble is that there is too much false pride and too much false self-respect among all the other false things in our cities. Hauling garbage to the incinerator and cleaning the streets is a good deal more important work, so far as humanity is concerned, than working in an automobile factory, and the men who do those jobs should have pride in the knowledge that they are accomplishing the necessary in this world of people.

Slats' Diary.

Friday—Teacher give us a Test in Goggraffs today & I done pritty well. 1

Saturday—pa in the Erth deviled & I sed by Water which was o. k. Then rite behind that I she ast us 2 name 2 kinds of Water & I rote hot & cold which she sed was not rite.

Saturday—pa is very interested in the high cost of living & he sed 2 ma it takes all he make to live on & ma sed 2 him Do you think it is worth that much. Pa sed We got 2 have Pruckshun the brick layers are not laying enough and neither are the hens.

Sunday—the supert (cant spell that word but its the guy which is fourman of the s. s.) sed 2 us kids we should ought 2 all ways tell the truth & not lya. He ast us if we ever herd of enny buddy getting 2 be immortal by lying & Blisters sed yea. The sup (same as above) sed Whom & Blisters replied & sed Annanias.

Monday—We had 2 rite a essay on Sugar today & Jake red his out loud he sed Sugar is found in Cuby & candy stores its 2 chief Properties is sweetness & Scarcity. They is 2 kinds which is Lump & Lofe & graduated. Tuesday—Ma baked sum fine Cookys today & I was talking 2 her & had my hana behind my back in the dish. I ast her why didden the wimmen strike & she sed mehby they will sum time. As I went out she seen the cookys & she struck. Busting 2 cookys. Which I had in my hip pocket.

Wednesday—Skool was a very dull & uninteresting place today as Jane was absent all day. I herd she has indispepy or sum thing. Thanksgiving—Plade fut ball in the morning & et a lotta turkie & Krabberys & minis pie & etc & tuk sum medicine in the evening. Mehby I can get out of going 2 skool tomorro.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our thanks to neighbors and friends for kindly assistance and sympathy extended at the time of the illness and death of our beloved son, Horace. Also for the many and beautiful floral offerings. D. C. WELLS AND FAMILY.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Heppner, Oregon, on the second Tuesday in January, 1921, (January 12th, 1921), between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M. of said dates for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such business as may legally come before said meeting. W. P. MAHONEY, Cashier. Dated this 16th day of December, 1920

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Notice of A. O. H. Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the local lodge of Ancient Order of Hibernians in the I. O. O. F. Hall in this city on Sunday, December 19, at 2 o'clock, p. m. Important business will come before the meeting and every member is urged to be present. J. O. KENNY, President. P. A. McMENAMIN, Secretary.

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