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GULF DRILLING AFTER SETTING CASINGS SUNDAY

Well Reported Down 2140 Feet
Friday Morning, With Formations Running Approximately 156 Feet High To Quintana.

The Gulf Production Company, Milentz No. 1, near Rock Island, is drilling this (Friday) morning at 2140 feet, and word comes from the well that everything is going good. The well set casing Sunday afternoon and cemented well Monday.

From all reports indications are very encouraging, and the well is said to be running approximately 156 feet high compared to the log of the Quintana well drilled last year two and a quarter miles distant. The Quintana is reported to have set casing at 1066.

This Rock Island test begins to boom as a possible oil field for Colorado County, and interest in its outcome will increase in intensity as the drill goes deeper into the earth.

The forces in charge of the well are made up of pleasant, courteous gentlemen, and the people of Rock Island rejoice to have such a splendid aggregation of people among them.

The derrick is a 124-foot all steel structure, with a powerful rig, capable of deep drilling. The rig has three 100-horse power boilers, with a welded steam line. There is no make-shift in connection with this venture. The Gulf people have installed a high-class, powerful drilling outfit, and from every indication they are going after something in this test.

While the Gulf Company owns most of the leases in the area, there are seventeen other companies interested in these holdings. Both the Humble Oil Company and the Shell oil company are near this test, and should the venture prove successful, it will mean the immediate spreading of two more off-set wells.

NORGE COOKING SCHOOL DRAWN 100% ATTENDANCE

Over 124 women attended the Norge school of home economics and cold cooking held at the Stephens IGA store on Thursday afternoon, under the direction of Miss Grace Bok, Norge home economist, and J. F. Uery, local Norge dealer. The school was a complete success, according to Mr. Uery.

Mrs. Cliff Eyrich of Lissie won the big basket of groceries given away by the Stephens IGA grocery.

Mrs. A. E. Cernal and Miss Madeleine returned Thursday from San Antonio, accompanied by Mrs. Henry Esser, who will remain in Eagle Lake for a week's visit.

"SEND-A-DIME" MAIL PENALTIES ARE LIKELY

Postal Inspector J. W. Adamson of Dallas said Wednesday he had been advised from Washington that prosecutions probably will be in order soon in the "send-a-dime" craze.

Adamson revealed that the matter has been taken up by a solicitor for the post office department.

In all probability, the Dallas inspector said, prosecutions will be under the law against using mails in promotion of a lottery. Maximum penalties for a first offense under this law is \$1000 fine and two years in prison, with the imprisonment raised to five years for all offenses after the first.

The letter, as we understand it, is termed a "Prosperity Letter." It is sent to you through the post office, and contains five names. We don't understand it exactly, but you are called on to send out a dime when it has made its rounds, your name then appears at the top.

The post office department terms it a lottery affair or promotion scheme, and parties guilty of mailing such letters are subject to prosecution, it is stated.

CAR CLIMBS BRIDGE RAIL THURSDAY NIGHT

A 1929 model Dodge sedan, occupied by three boys from Columbus, climbed the railing of the culvert between the homes of R. B. Davis and R. T. Westmoreland Thursday night, completely demolishing the motor and radiator. The car remained balanced on the rail, with the motor hanging over the edge. One of the boys sustained a cut above his eye.

Today's Market Report

Cotton, middling	12.20
Cotton, strict middling	12.55
Bent	12.14
Peas	20.22
Eggs	21

GULF COAST FIREMEN WILL MEET HERE

Local Voluntary Firemen Expecting Attendance of Approximately One Thousand and Visitors When Association Meets Here Friday Evening, May 17th.

The Eagle Lake Fire Department will be host to the Gulf Coast Volunteer Firemen's Association here on Friday evening, May 17. Over 1000 firemen including their families are expected to attend from the 17 towns comprising the association.

The program calls for a business meeting of the organization, fire races, a special drill by the Rosenberg pep squad and drum and bugle corps, a supper and dance.

The business meeting is scheduled for 5 o'clock and the team captains will meet at 6:30, both meetings being held at the city hall. The five races will be held at 7 o'clock on the square and the drill by the Rosenberg pep squad and drum and bugle corps will be given at 8:00. Immediately following, supper will be served to the firemen and starting at nine o'clock, a fireman's dance will be held at Austin's Hall with the music of the E. L. Campo furnishing the music. The dance will be open to the public.

Chief Davidson of the Houston Fire Department, Commissioner Holton of Houston and F. M. Johnson, chairman of the Houston fire department and chairman of the Gulf Coast Association will be in attendance. Davidson and Holton are honorary members.

The town is comprising the association are El Campo, Wharton, Bay City, Rosenberg, Sugarland, West University Place, Pasadena, Goose Creek, Texas City, Pella, Baytown, Humble, Brenham, Conroe, Alvin, LaPorte and Eagle Lake.

The program committee is composed of W. P. Wade, W. E. Lenthart and H. W. Ahlers; the finance committee, Bonnie Blair, Buddy Ramsey and Sunshine Dipple.

A special called meeting of all committees is scheduled for Monday night at the city hall.

DEVELOPMENT OF COLORADO RIVER GIVEN ASSURANCE

There is now every assurance that the development of the Colorado River, by means of building a number of dams above Austin, is assured, since the Legislature last week voted \$20,000,000 in bonds for the work. This matter has been up in various forms before the PWA for about two years.

The PWA has completed its investigation of the whole project, according to Fritz Engelhard, a member of the board. Every one concerned has approved the project in its larger stages, he says.

In a letter dated April 9, signed by Harold L. Ickles, Secretary of Interior, he stated that the enlarged project has been approved as a whole and that money enough will be provided by the Federal Government to complete the improvements when the Colorado River Authority complies with two further conditions. The first is approval by the Legislature of \$20,000,000 in bonds, which has already been made, and the second is the approval by the Supreme Court of the legal authority of the district in one particular matter. Some fifteen or twenty legal objections were raised, but all have been satisfactorily adjusted except the provisions in the law which does not permit the levying of any taxes by the district to pay off the bonds.

The plan is to pay the bonds out of the revenue from the sales of electricity and water. The PWA does not require any further security, but their lawyers raised the question whether this feature of the bill was constitutional, because every other borrower from the PWA has the power to tax.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Reese and children, Eleanor and Franklin and Miss Thelma Harris motored to Angleton Sunday, where they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carline and from that point went to Palacios, where the party attended the Freeport Regatta.

Another good thing to save up for a rainy day is a reputation for paying bills.

SATURDAY BANK NIGHT SHOULD DRAW BIG CROWD

The amount for Saturday night bank offering at the Avalon Theatre is \$120.00, which should draw a big attendance. Last Saturday night when the amount was \$110.00, the name of J. L. Chapman of Garwood was called, but Mr. Chapman was in the audience.

The amount for last Tuesday night was \$20.00. The name of Robert Adams, Lissie, Texas, was called. He failed to answer present, and the amount for next Tuesday night will be \$40.00.

NEGRO BALL CLUB LOSSES TO ROSENBERG

The Eagle Lake colored ball club lost a close game to the Rosenberg boys here on last Sunday afternoon by a 5 to 4 score. The game was closely played and in the ninth, with one Rosenberg man down, the locals were leading 4 to 3. Two runs were made on Eagle Lake error, making the score 5 to 4. Next Sunday the team meets the Negro team from Columbus, game time being set for 3:30 o'clock, on the H. S. Johnson diamond.

RAIN DELAYS PAVING WORK START

Work Here Was To Have Gotten Under Headway Thursday, But Rain Prevented; Will Employ Sixty Local Men Ninety Days.

T. A. Van Amburg, N. E. Miller and Joe White, with Brown & Root, Inc., the local paving contractors, are here and have organized their working forces for city street paving.

The contractors were ready to begin work Thursday, but were delayed on account of rain. However, it is likely that the work will begin today.

T. A. Van Amburg, with N. E. Miller and Joe White, all of Houston, are in charge of the paving work here for Brown & Root. Mr. Van Amburg, who has established offices for the contractors in the former Nussbaum building, stated yesterday afternoon that work will begin just as soon as the weather permits.

The street work here, he said, will furnish employment to about sixty men, and approximately ninety working days will be required to complete the contract.

All of the work is being done under the provisions of the PWA, and the paving will consist of concrete curb and gutter, an eight-inch compact gravel base, with a one and one-half inch asphalt pavement.

All men employed on the work here, Mr. Amburg said, will be residents of Eagle Lake except those employed in a supervisory capacity, or such other skilled labor as cannot be procured through the local NRS office.

B. H. Faber is the resident engineer in direct charge of construction and is assisted by L. D. House and Jack Putney, as engineers looking after inspection and construction of the work.

Under the PWA regulations, Mr. Amburg said, the contractors are allowed to work men only thirty hours a week, so as to give as many men as possible work while the project is under way.

R. E. Beane is now in charge of the West End Pilling station on the Columbus highway and asks his friends to drop by and see him.

Mrs. Cecil Jones and children and Mrs. Beary of El Campo spent Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hoeninghaus.

DR. HARRISON BUILDING FINE HOME IN HOUSTON

Dr. R. Henry Harrison is having a fine residence erected on his two and a half lots on Dryden Street, west of Main, which will be one of the finest homes in Houston when completed. The house is of brick three stories, bed rooms on second floor and recreation room third, and has a large front gallery with pillars extending to the top of second floor.

A three car garage in rear is reached by a passage way under the upper story west sleeping porch, and has a roomy turning concrete platform at the garage entrance.

Dr. Harrison was discreetly silent about the cost of the buildings, but said the lot cost \$3200, and it is said here that the home will cost in the neighborhood of sixty thousand.

The family will continue to maintain the Alletton home, using it for a country house. —Colorado Citizen.

Clement Richter of Garwood is now on duty in the repair department of the Universal Motor Company, having accepted a position the first of this week.

The Fahy Godfrey dance held at Austin Hall on Saturday night was an enjoyable affair. While only a medium sized crowd attended, everyone reported an excellent time. The music was fine and the floor was in good shape.

Mr. and Mrs. Ligon Loughridge of Opelousas, La., are here for a visit to relatives and friends. Mrs. Loughridge was formerly Miss Lois Wade.

A true friend is one who knows all about you and still sticks.

CITIZEN HERE YEARS AGO DIED SUDDENLY

George Thielen, 54, of 2016 Crockett St., Houston died suddenly on the Conroe road at 4 p. m. Thursday, from a heart attack. Twenty years ago Mr. Thielen made his home in Eagle Lake, being here for E. L. Mooney. He was a cousin of Mrs. S. R. Piling of near Garwood.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD TUESDAY FOR GARWOOD CITIZEN

W. H. Shaw, Esteemed and Prominent Citizen of Colorado County, Passed Away At Garwood Home Early Monday.

Mr. W. H. Shaw, a native of Colorado County and one of our county's prominent and highly respected citizens, passed away at his home in Garwood at 3:45 a. m. Monday, following a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the home at 11:30 Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. A. F. Forster, pastor of the Methodist Church at Garwood, assisted by Rev. J. Aiken, Garwood Presbyterian pastor. Interment was made in the cemetery at Weimar, the old home of Mr. Shaw.

Mr. Shaw was born on February 9, 1863, at Osage, near Weimar, Texas, and died on April 29, 1935, having reached the age of 72 years, 2 months and 20 days.

On January 31, 1899, he was united in marriage with Miss Annie Frazer of Patterson, Texas, and to this union were born ten children.

He is survived by his devoted and loving wife and nine children: R. B. Shaw, Garwood; F. L. Shaw, Beaumont; W. T. Shaw, Garwood; Mrs. W. K. Lehrer, Garwood; Mrs. H. H. Hollen, Houston; Miss Ernestine Shaw, Garwood; E. L. Shaw, Garwood; and Mrs. Carl Mattern, Kansas City, Missouri; two sisters, Mrs. Sallie Taylor, Bay City and Miss Cordie Shaw, San Antonio, and seven grandchildren, Mary Agnes Shaw, Frank, Jr. Shaw, Dorothy Jane Lehrer, Billie Lehrer, Sybil Shaw Hollen, Helen Shaw and Patricia Ann Mattern.

Besides the close relatives, there are numerous nephews and nieces and many friends who sincerely mourn his passing.

Thirty-eight years ago, Mr. Shaw moved with his family from Weimar to Garwood, where he continued to make his home to the time of his death. He was a member of the Methodist Church, and was one of Colorado County's best known and most upright citizens. He enjoyed the respect and high esteem of every one who knew him, for he was a man who wished all mankind well, a gentleman possessing those virtues in character that enable and make life beautiful and useful. It was a delight to know him and enjoy his friendship and companionship.

In the passing of Mr. Shaw this section has lost one of its best citizens, one who will be sorely missed not only by his family, but by a legion of friends—some of them friends of a lifetime—who themselves have traveled far down the slope of life's hill. In sadness and in loneliness these bow and sorrowfully murmur, "Another friend gone."

KANGAROO COURT AT NADA MONDAY NIGHT

If the rains let up, a large crowd likely will be in Nada Monday night for the kangaroo court, in which Supt. E. G. Marshall will be tried on a charge of "chicken theft." In the indictment, Supt. Marshall is charged with having induced a chicken to leave the premises of August Venghaus. The indictment further charges that said chicken was served in the menu at the Marshall home.

The trial will be held in the old Nada church, and the public generally is invited to attend. No doubt there will be quite a large attendance from Eagle Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Martin, Mrs. Clem Samson and Miss Helen Martin of Crowley, Louisiana, are expected here Saturday for a visit to Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Anderson.

Mrs. A. E. Cernal and Miss Madeleine left Monday for San Antonio, where they attended funeral services that afternoon for the nephew of Henry Esser, a former Eagle Lake citizen. They remained over for a few days' visit.

OLD-TIME DANCE AT HALL HERE SATURDAY

The Newadba Orchestra will furnish music for an old-time dance at Austin's Hall in Eagle Lake on Saturday night, May 4th. This orchestra on its visit here some weeks ago made a very favorable impression with the dancers, having furnished splendid music. If the weather is favorable a large attendance is anticipated at the dance here Saturday night.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH REVIVAL SERVICES BEGIN MAY 20TH.

Rev. Marshall Masters, One Of Church's Foremost Evangelists In State, Will Assist Pastor In Three Weeks' Revival Here.

A revival meeting will be held at the Christian Church, beginning on May 20th, and closing June 1st. Rev. Marshall Masters, an evangelist who is much in demand throughout the South, will do the preaching.

Rev. Mr. Masters is said to be a splendid speaker and demands a large hearing. Further announcements will be made concerning the coming revival meeting.

POISONING OF PET DOGS CONTINUES IN EAGLE LAKE

"Jiggs," the black and white bulldog of A. Townley, died Tuesday night, the latest victim of poison that has killed 2 number of pet dogs in the east part of town during the past few months.

Although vicious in appearance, the dog was harmless and a great pet of the family and probably was as well known as any dog in town. He was a constant companion of Mr. Townley and wherever one saw the dog, Mr. Townley was close. All indications point to death from strychnine.

Seven dogs have died under similar circumstances recently. Several parties are reported to have found poisoned meat in their yards. Each time the meat has been rolled in a ball, held together with a rubber band, with white crystals of some kind, assumed to be strychnine, sprinkled on the inside. If strychnine is being used, the lives of humans as well as animals are being endangered.

While Eagle Lake has a number of undesirable dogs, every animal killed in that neighborhood has been the harmless pet of someone who thought a great deal of his dog. In any community a dog poisoner isn't regarded very highly and according to expressed opinions, someone is maliciously poisoning the dogs.

A theory was advanced last fall during the wholesale poisoning of dogs that someone was planning a series of robberies after doing away with the dogs, but such seems to have not been the case, for no robberies were reported.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hoeninghaus and Friedrich spent Sunday in Sweet Home, visiting Mrs. Hoeninghaus' mother and attended Decoration Day services there. They were accompanied home by Mrs. A. H. Day of El Campo, who is spending a few days here.

FORMER ROCK ISLAND CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Velma Foote Yates died in San Antonio on April 16th. She was born at Rock Island August 13, 1907. She is survived by her husband, Kirk Yates, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foote, a sister, Mrs. Bernice Clark, and brother, Barkley Foote, all of San Antonio; two grandmothers, Mrs. A. T. Foote, of Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Maggie Curry, of Sutherland Springs; three uncles, Dr. G. A. Foote, Sudan, Texas, Harry Foote, San Antonio, and Frank Pardoner, Houston, and seven aunts, Mrs. Bessie Cochran, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Laddie Scott, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Flora Kepley, Farwell, Texas; Mrs. Margaret McAdoo, Mrs. Mary Clark and Mrs. Maggie Yates, of San Antonio, and Mrs. Alice Drebert of Glenn, Minn.

The funeral services were held April 18th, conducted by Rev. R. L. White of Sutherland Springs, interment being made in the Sutherland Springs Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Duty left last Friday for Macomb, Oklahoma, having been called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Duty's brother.

MISSOURIANS VISIT EAGLE LAKE RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Butterworth, and Mr. and Mrs. Ford Snyder, mother and father, brother-in-law and sister of O. E. Butterworth, arrived Friday from Sedalia, Missouri, and were with Mr. and Mrs. Butterworth here until Tuesday.

They left for a tour of the Rio Grande Valley and a trip through the Winter Garden section of Texas. Before their return to Missouri, Mr. and Mrs. Butterworth will meet them in San Antonio for a week-end visit.

SENIOR CLASS PLAY WILL BE PRESENTED NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT

Breaking Precedent In School Activities, Class Play, "What Price Ancestors," Will Be Staged In Advance of Commencement.

The senior class play, which has heretofore been presented in the school auditorium during commencement week, will this spring be given in advance of the week of school closing exercises.

The play, "What Price Ancestors," will be given on Friday evening, May 10th. It is a play in three acts, with the following cast:

Reed, Jr., Marion Evans, the mother, Mattie Lou Starr; Robert Evans, the son, Robert Campbell; Abelson Evans, the younger son, Ralph Fuller; Polly Evans, the daughter, Catherine Holman; Sue Carroll, friend of Polly, Leona Glueck; Betty Stuart, the girl friend, Mildred Wilkins; Anne Hastings, English protegee of Marion, Nellie Holman; Speedy Carroll, the boy friend, Ralph Thomas; Perkins, the chauffeur, Bruner Lee; Jerusha Morehead, the cousin (a man) Jack Larsen; Jonathan Morehead, the son, Leslie Sunderman; Terry McCarthy, the police detective, Albert McMillan; Martha, the maid, Alice Estlinbaum.

"FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING" MOSE TOWNSEND'S POLICY

The Headlight is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. Mose Townsend, prominent citizen of Rock Island:

"I believe in giving flowers to the living and credit to those to whom it is due. Realizing your interest in our community and the oil business here, I am writing this letter to call your attention to the man who has made most of this possible.

"The man I refer to is Mr. J. G. Jenkins, who came to this community about five years ago, and with faith in our possibilities, purchased lease and royalty in Colorado County. In fact years ago, he with his family, moved to Rock Island, where they have many friends. They have made themselves one of us, working with us for every good of the neighborhood, and Mr. Jenkins has worked tirelessly to bring oil activity to this area, his faith in the oil possibilities never failing.

"I have talked to many persons here and it seems to be the common opinion of them all that Mr. Jenkins has done more for the development of the oil business at Rock Island than all others combined. All of us know that Mr. Jenkins was responsible for the big block of leases now held and being developed by the Gulf Company, he having made a long trip by airplane, taking these leases and royalties some two years ago, and has never lost faith in their development. It is a well known fact that the thousands of dollars brought in for lease and royalties have helped our roads and our schools. Back taxes were paid out of all money, and in many cases the taxes had not been paid for years. This business has helped the whole territory and everyone living here.

"Even tho we should be disappointed in the final outcome of oil development in our community, I believe it will be because there is no oil, and not because of lack of work, interest or faith.

"I think I am voicing the opinion of almost every substantial citizen of this community when I say these things of Mr. Jenkins.

Yours truly,
MOSE TOWNSEND.

POLO GAME POSTPONED UNTIL SUNDAY, MAY 12

The polo game between the Duncan Ranch Vaqueros and the Wharton team, scheduled for last Sunday at Duncan Ranch was postponed until Sunday, May 12, because of wet grounds.

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RAINS DELAY SPUD DIGGING SEVERAL DAYS

If No More Rain Should Fall In Meantime, Thursday's Downpour Will Delay Digging Start Until Middle of Next Week.

An inch and a half of rain which fell at intervals throughout Thursday morning will delay potato digging for several days. While digging had expected to get under way Monday, the rain of yesterday will delay the start until Wednesday or Thursday of next week, provided no more rain falls in the meantime.

The following article concerning the potato growers, stating that digging is scheduled to begin Monday, was written Wednesday afternoon before the heavy rain of yesterday morning:

The outlook for a good potato yield is very encouraging, though the acreage in spuds through the Eagle Lake community and the entire potato area is considerably decreased over last year.

Digging in the prairie area, the crops of Leo Poleschek, Burtschell Bros., William Nelson, Braden Bros. and W. J. Wright, in the Ramsey community, will begin Monday, provided no more rain falls in the meantime.

Digging generally will begin about May 13th, in the absence of rain.

There are about 6,000 acres in potatoes in the whole potato area, including Eagle Lake, Wharton, Glen Flora, Simonton, Fulshear and Sugar Land. Last year Sugar Land had in 1700 acres, but this year only about 250 acres.

This is the first season for a number of years that potato vines have grown to maturity. Drought, during the past several seasons have cut back the vines before reaching maturity. With vines fully matured, the potatoes from now to digging time will increase in size.

Of the entire six thousand acres in the district all but about 2,000 acres are native seed. Practically all of the prairie section where digging will begin Monday, is planted to northern seed.

One of the most promising crops in the Eagle Lake area is that of W. R. Terrell, who has 900 acres of northern seed and 100 acres of natives. His crop is said to be the best he has grown for several seasons. He expects to begin digging about the 13th to 15th.

In the area including Simonton, Fulshear, Eagle Lake and Wharton, it is expected that there will be between 175 and 200 cars dug and shipped during the coming week.

T. S. Letourneau, buyer for Michael, Swanson, Brady Produce Company, is here, being the only buyer here up to this time. Mr. Letourneau has spent every potato season here for many years and his friends here are always glad to welcome him back.

Mr. Letourneau says the outlook for a yield of potatoes is far better than last year.

WEEK-END MOVING TIME FOR THREE FAMILIES

It was moving time in Eagle Lake during the last week-end. Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Dapree and family who have been occupying the former Steinweis home, moved into the J. H. McCreary home. Mr. and Mrs. McCreary are now at home in the J. D. Allen residence, which they recently purchased, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen are occupying the former Steinweis home.

GERMAN SAILORS BRIEF VISITORS HERE THURSDAY

Fifteen men from the German ship Karlsruhe, now in the ship channel at Houston, were here for a brief time yesterday en route back to the boat from a visit to San Antonio.

For the most part, they were all young men, apparently in their teens. While only a few of the boys speak English any too well, most of them understand it, and those who were unable to answer questions asked them while they were here yesterday, had another one in the company to answer the question for him.

The local American Legion post will hold a social meeting at the Klockman Camp grounds on Wednesday night, May 15. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served. All Legionnaires and ex-service men are invited to attend.

MISS BYRN IN CHARGE OF LOCAL NRS OFFICE

The National Reemployment Service of the Government has opened an office in the former Nussbaum store building, in charge of Miss Eulie Byrn of Columbus. It is through this office that labor is selected for work on the PWA paving project just now getting under way.