

OIL FIELDS IN N. C. EXPERTS BELIEVE

Efforts Are Now Being Made to Open Up Fields in Beaufort County. Faith in Project.

Efforts are now being made to open up oil fields in North Carolina, the most promising section of the state being Beaufort county, according to reports received in Raleigh. Theodore Hamer, manager of the J. and W. Land Co., of Pinetown, stated that a syndicate had been formed for the purpose of making investigation and experimentations for oil and minerals in Beaufort county.

The syndicate has expended several thousand dollars in having geologists and oil experts make tests and investigations in Beaufort County, said Mr. Hamer, and the general opinion of these experts is that there are good possibilities of oil and other minerals in Beaufort County.

According to Mr. Hamer, an oil well drilling company has offered to come to North Carolina and make deep well drillings to determine definitely whether or not there is oil in Beaufort in sufficient quantities to be profitable for such operations. The conditions under which the company makes the offer that it will come and do the drilling without charge is that the syndicate secure a lease on at least one hundred thousand acres of land surrounding the place where the drillings will be made. Mr. Hamer said that the J. and W. Land Co., through its board of directors had leased 40,000 acres to the syndicate already.

Railroad Men Hit Hard.

Statesville Daily.

Without questioning Judge Webb's ruling as to the law, it would seem that its operation was rather hard on the railroad conductors who were assessed \$500 each because some negroes transported prohibited liquor on the railway train. The conductors claimed they had no knowledge of the liquor being on the train. It was found in a car occupied by colored passengers. It is easy to understand that railroad passengers could secret quite a bit of booze in suit cases without even arousing the suspicions of a conductor. The only way that official could make sure that he wasn't transporting contraband would be to examine the baggage of all and sundry, which would hardly be practicable, even if the conductor had the time to spare from his other duties.

But Judge Webb is sound in holding that transporting liquor on a train is just as reprehensible as transporting it in a vehicle, and it follows that the entire train might be seized just

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—Mrs. FRANK H. CHERRY, 533 Locust Street, Lancaster, Pa.

Women should heed such symptoms as pains, backache, nervousness, a run-down condition and irregularity, as they indicate some form of female trouble.

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MORTGAGE SALE. By virtue of a mortgage made by Charles A. Wortman and wife to the Cleveland Mill and Power Company on December 2nd, 1915, and recorded in Book 88 of Mortgages, page 302, of the register's office of Cleveland county, N. C., and default in payment of part of the indebtedness secured there in having been made, the Cleveland Mill and Power Company will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder at the Court House door in Shelby, N. C.

Monday, March 3rd, 1924.

at 12 o'clock M., the following described lot

That lot in Casar, N. C., on which the old Cleveland Mill and Power Co. store building was located, and described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the public road and runs thence South 45 west 16 3-25 poles to an iron stake, thence north 80 east 5 3-25 poles to an iron stake, thence east 17 1-5 poles to a stone, thence north 43 west 15 10-25 poles to the beginning, containing 125 square poles, or 5-7 of an acre.

This February 1st, 1924.

CLEVELAND MILL & POWER COMPANY.

Ryburn & Hoey, Attys.

as vehicles are seized and confiscated. It must be that his honor didn't believe the statement of the conductors that they had no knowledge of their passengers. If they were really innocent and unsuspecting they were hit pretty hard. His honor's ruling presents a new problem for the railroads. They will have to put on aids to conductors to examine baggage, same as at custom houses, at least on the lines where the transportation of spirits is believed to be common.

Week End Visitors In Grover Section

Special to The Star.

Grover, Feb. 12.—Miss Addie Moss spent Saturday night with Miss Cynthia Sepock at her home in the county.

Miss Lois Moore spent the week end with friends in the Elizabeth community.

Miss Maggie Sheppard spent the week end with her parents near Grover. Miss Sheppard is teaching in the northern part of the county.

Mrs. C. C. Wallace, who underwent a very serious operation in Gastonia last Thursday is reported to be doing well.

Mr. D. J. Keeter attended a meeting of the board of trustees of Bolling Springs high school at Bolling Springs yesterday.

Misses Thelma and Gwendolyn Bellis spent the week end with their parents near Grover.

Hilda, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Herndon was right sick last week.

Mrs. E. V. A. Hamrick of Mooresville is spending some time with her son Mr. L. C. Hamrick in Grover.

Mr. H. S. Huffstetter of Kings Mountain was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Hambrick, Mr. James Hambrick, Mrs. R. P. Roberts and Miss Edith Hambrick spent Friday in Charlotte attending the Sunday meetings.

Rev. W. O. Johnson is attending the pastors and workers conference at Bolling Springs this week.

Messrs C. E. Byers and M. H. Bell attended services at the Sunday tabernacle in Charlotte Sunday afternoon.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Roark who have been sick with measles and pneumonia are reported to be improving.

We are sorry to report that Mr. G. L. Moore of the Mt. Parraan community in South Carolina is right sick at his home. Mr. Moore who is near 90 years of age, has developed bronchial pneumonia and is considered to be in a critical condition.

Memorial services for Mr. Wilson were held at the Baptist church Sunday night.

Mrs. D. J. Keeter was right sick Sunday night and yesterday, but is reported to be much better.

There will be services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and night.

Messrs. J. L. Herndon and W. O. Johnson spent Friday in Charlotte.

The Boll Weevil and Zero.

Birmingham Age-Herald.

Intimation from both official and unofficial sources that the recent zero weather will have any result in decreasing boll weevil damage next summer are unfortunate and their effect can only be harmful if they cause cotton farmers in any degree to relax their efforts at control. Insects go into winter quarters in such a protected manner that even in the Arctic cold has no appreciable effect upon their ability to reproduce their kind. It is well known that the densest swarms of mosquitoes, the insects that are chilled into inaction by the slightest drop in temperature, are found in Alaska and the far-north can reaches of Canada, where even man himself is hard put to it to survive the winters. Cotton planters may recall that last winter, after the severe cold of February, they were told that they might expect some relief last summer from the weevils. The planter by now knows how unreliable that assurance proved to be.

For a long time it was thought by the cotton planters of Arkansas who live north of the mean winter zero line that they would never be troubled by the boll weevil. Two years ago the insect made its appearance in ravaging quantities north of that zero line, and for the past two years has been steadily working its way still further into the prohibited zone. There is good reason to believe that the boll weevil will be able to survive wherever cotton is grown, zero or no zero. The boll weevil carries no thermometer and he has no imagination. All he knows is that cotton is indispensable to his existence, and he means to extend his frontiers to the very limits of cotton growing, unless halted by the intelligent and concerted attack of cotton producers. The best advice that can be given to cotton planters is to prepare for the worst siege of boll weevil they have ever experienced. It's safer.

Two years later county was ready to go forward still further, and the general assembly enacted a special act providing for the bond election recently held.

While it has long been a custom for municipalities and counties to contribute from the public funds to the support of privately owned or endowed hospitals the movement for public funds to the support of privately owned or endowed hospitals, the movement for public hospitals supported from public funds has been slow to develop in North Carolina. In 1916 Forsyth county erected a hospital with 32 beds for the care of the

tuberculous of the county. In 1922 Guilford county erected a sixty-four-bed hospital for the tuberculous. In the same year the town of Shelby and the township in which it is situated voted \$100,000 in bonds and a special tax for maintenance for a general public hospital. The realization of the fact that hospital facilities beyond those possible through private agencies must be provided is sinking into the minds of the people. Intelligent local leadership is developing this consciousness of a vital need, and the example set by the mountain county of Haywood will, in all probability, be followed soon by a number of others.

Possibly the only living man who attended the funeral of Andrew Jackson at the great general's home, The Hermitage, near Nashville, Tenn., is the Rev. W. M. Norment, of Whiteville, Tenn., a border town. Rev. Norment is now 95 years old according to the Associated Press.

Attended Funeral Andrew Jackson

The recent statement of John Trotter Moore, state librarian and archivist of Tennessee and author of many stories and negro tales with many of the scenes laid in North Carolina, that Colonel W. E. McElwee of Rockwood, was the only living man who saw Andrew Jackson, has brought a letter from G. H. Rhodes, of Whiteville, telling of the distinguished citizen of that town, who knew General Jackson and attended his funeral.

Mr. Rhodes said in his letter to Mr. Moore:

"In the interest of accuracy and I know that you will be interested to know, I desire to inform you that in this town lives Rev. W. M. Norment, now 95 years old, who visited General Jackson at The Hermitage in 1845 in company with a number of Rev. Norment's schoolmates from Cumberland university. At that time Rev. Norment was 16 years of age. About six weeks later Rev. Norment attended Andrew Jackson's funeral at The Hermitage. No doubt Rev. Norment is the only living person who attended the funeral of the famous general."

Rev. Norment while somewhat feeble in body, has a very active mind and reads the daily papers with interest. He has preached here at the Cumberland Presbyterian church since he was 21 years old. He gave up his pastorate only about three years ago. He still frequently fills the pulpit about two years ago he preached in Memphis at one of the Presbyterian churches, the theme being "Old Folks Day."

"The Rev. Norment has the distinction of having talked with Jackson, Polk and Johnson. Tennessee's three Presidents."

Rev. Norment introduced William Jennings Bryan here about five years ago and the great orator declared him to be the most remarkable man that he had ever met. At that time Rev. Norment had preached 70 years in one pulpit, and in his own town.

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This January 30th, 1924.

J. E. WEBB,
GILES WEBB,
CHARLIE WEBB.

Big Gastonia Plant Destroyed By Fire

A loss of between 75,000 and \$100,000 was sustained in Gastonia Monday night when the Spencer Lumber company, large plant in the heart of the city owned principally by S. Elmer Spencer was totally destroyed by fire which was discovered near the boiler room of the plant at 10:15 o'clock. The machinery in the plant was totally ruined, and the large stock of lumber, practically all burned. The insurance on the plant was stated to be very small.

Fire Chief George F. McLaughlin brought all the apparatus in the city to bear on the blaze, but when the fire men reached the plant the flames had already burst forth so fiercely that very little could be done besides saving the adjoining buildings. The firemen fought a losing fight from the beginning in trying to save the lumber plant.

The loss is the third the Spencer plant has sustained in 15 years, two damaging fires having occurred some years ago.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I have this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of S. M. Moore, deceased, late of Cleveland county, N. C., and all persons having claims against said estate are notified to present them to me properly proven for payment on or before February 2nd, 1925, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate are notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This February 2nd, 1924.

WILLIE F. MOORE, Administrator of the estate of S. M. Moore, dec'd.

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Immediately thereafter, Mr. Elam set out on a journey to the Winchester Surgical Supply company. When he reached there, he discovered that his \$50 was gone. Back to his place of business he went on a search for his lost cash. He carefully scanned the street as he went. The sight of the wandering dollars did not reward his search.

Half an hour later he decided to return to the Winchester store, but there his money was not to be found. With the frowns of the ill luck Goddess still upon him, he started back. As he neared the new Ivey building, he spied a bit of green in the gutter. He picked it up. It was his lost \$20 bill. He glanced up and saw a \$10 bill fluttering down the street.

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