

## SOAP CREEK NOW HAS ASPECTS OF BUSY PRODUCING OIL FIELD

### Western States Now Bringing in Another and Four Independent Outfit Start Work

With two Western States producers and a third ready to bring in upon arrival of desired casing, and with four independent companies on the eve of spotting in wells, Soap Creek is showing activity that gives it aspects of a bustling oil field.

That completion of the Western States No. 2 well on 17-32-21 east is a matter of but a few days at most in the statement of Western States officials. It is said that spotting for No. 4 well will be determined as soon as the No. 3 registers completion.

For some time the Western States has been negotiating for sale of some of its acre to the Burlington railroad for operation of motor equipment and it is rumored now that these negotiations have been brought to a successful conclusion, although confirmation of this rumor is lacking and status of negotiations will probably not be given out until officials of the company visit the field again.

The Dox Oil company is preparing to load the rig chabers at the Huntley well of the Gladys Helle company on motor trucks for transportation to the Soap Creek field. The Dox, through former State Senator T. S. Hogan, their representative in this state, purchased the Derrick, rig, casing and all equipment at Huntley from the Gladys Helle immediately upon announcement of abandonment of operations there. It is probable that the entire equipment will be moved by the Dox to their Soap Creek holdings by motor truck.

Spotting for Dox No. 1 on the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 2, township 7 south, range 12 east, was made last week. This is the Lawrence field tract on which leases formerly held by H. M. Hart, H. H. Albion, Rockwood Brown and O. K. Ormstead, were secured by the Dox. The well will be spudded in just as soon as rigging up is completed, which should be within 10 days or two weeks. E. M. Hooper, drilling contractor at Huntley will drill this and probably succeeding wells for the Dox.

A. B. Orin, Amsmet rig builder, is to build the Dox derrick, which will be the same size and a replica of the Huntley derrick.

Dox holdings in Soap Creek amount to 200 acres of leased and allotted land. Charles Edgar, Herdin, hardware dealer, and E. E. Ladow of Prebena, Wyo., have joined forces for development of their lease holdings on Soap Creek and will spend in their first well on 15-32-23 east within the next few weeks. They are now moving material to location. Mr. Ladow also has allotted land and trial land leases in section 2-32-22 east.

Ed Wingo, W. B. Richards and others have spotted a well on 21-32-22 east and are preparing to drill immediately.

The Great Falls Syndicate which holds lease on the northwest quarter of section 4, township 7 south, range 12 east, has material on location for construction of a standard rig and apparently is preparing to start a hole soon.

### EMPIRE STATE UNCORKS GUSHER IN SALT CREEK

#### Estimate Production at From 2,000 to 3,000 Barrels.

The Empire State Oil company has opened up a gusher well on the southeast quarter of section 18-18-73 of the Salt Creek field of Wyoming, with an estimated production of 2,000 to 3,000 barrels a day. Some estimates run higher but the above is that placed on the well by Dr. Alton Curtis of Jamestown, N. T., president; Warren B. Cook of the same city, treasurer; Harry H. Scherer, Cooper, attorney; and Homer D. Curtis, manager, who constitute the active members of the affairs of the company.

This well proves from its log and general geologic surface conditions, about 800 acres of the 1,050 acres that the company owns under permit with the government, in sections 20, 12 and 15, township 48, range 20, as promising as any acreage in Salt Creek, and marks a discovery of a very material additional acreage with large potential possibilities thus proving how easy it is to be misled by geology as against the drill, as several men who stand very high in the profession as geologists have expressed doubt, and others have gone so far as to say these lands were "structurally impossible."

These lands are additional to the company's holdings in Hamilton Dome field, which they own the fee under permit and lease to practically the whole top of the dome. Hamilton Dome is now considered by good judges as being in third place as to its potential possibilities in the state of Wyoming.

With the moving up of the Salt Creek acreage, in such a substantial way places Empire State Oil company well to its rank with the large producing companies of this state.

#### DENVER OIL QUOTATIONS.

(Compiled by Linslee-Woodard Co.)

	Bid	Asked
Annual Royalty	4	7
Big Indian	17	13
Blackstone Salt Creek	23	26
Black Tail	7	7
Boston-Wyoming	40	45
Black Creek	15	15
Burke Oil	7	10
Columbina	54	58
Consolidated Royalty	81	18
Cow Gulch	4	7
Edison	7	6
E. T. Williams	42	47
Frank	101	110
Gates Oil	11	10
Kinney	18	15
Lance Creek Royalty	2	5
Mike Henry	2	4
Mountain & Gulf	70	75
Prod. & Exp. com.	24	24
do prod.	24	4
Red Butte	2	5
Roy. & Prod.	8	11
Western Equip.	14	10

## Soap Creek Shows Activity

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