

### WILL DRILL SOAP CREEK APEX GROUND

#### Cat Creek Operator Agrees to Develop Syndicate's Holdings on Percentage Basis.

By virtue of a drilling agreement entered into Saturday and announced yesterday, the Thermopolis-Cat Creek Syndicate, a Cat Creek operator, will drill holdings of the Soap Creek Apex Syndicate on 40 acres of the Lawrence Judd tract in the Soap Creek field, south of Billings. The drilling agreement is drawn on a percentage basis. Precise details of which were not given out.

The Soap Creek Apex holdings in Soap Creek embrace the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 1, township 7 south, range 82 east and are about one mile south and east of the Western State oil company well. Development of operations by the fifth independent company in the field, and will mean drilling by two outfits of rigs on the Lawrence Judd tract.

Operations have already been started by the Thermopolis-Cat Creek on the Soap Creek Apex holdings. A collar is being dug on location in the extreme northwest quarter of the forty to be developed, 235 feet from the north and west lines. The drilling contract has been let to Ferry Fox, at present engaged in drilling the Consolidated Oil & Gas company's well on Soap Creek and a second rig will be hauled by truck from the Great Creek field of Wyoming to Soap Creek.

The Soap Creek Apex Syndicate was organized several months ago in Billings by Guy Magallon, Carl Rickard and Fifer Tegen, Jr. Its holdings lie just north of those of the Crow Assuriance Oil Syndicate.

One-half acre north of the Soap Creek Apex Syndicate's holdings, the Dux Oil company is rigging up with standard rig for a well on the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 2 on holdings secured from Jay Lark, Rockwood, George, Bert, Albin and O. E. Goussard. This well will be drilled with the rig used in making the Hensley test and the rig as well as derrick timbers will be moved to location as soon as this connection is developed. It is in charge of Nitro Corporation. It is to be used at the Hensley test, well in an effort to loosen the eight-inch casing, which becomes loose in the hole several weeks ago. The remainder of the casing at the Hensley well has already been raised and is being moved by truck to Soap Creek.

One mile west of the Soap Creek Apex holdings, two drill outfits are setting a well on acreage under lease to a Great Falls syndicate. This is on the northeast quarter of section 4.

In the north end of the field Charles Eider and J. A. Ladow are preparing to drill on section 14, township 8 south, range 82 east, and W. H. Roberts and Ed Wilson are rigging up the well on section 15.

Thermopolis-Cat Creek Syndicate has two producers on Howe-Schwarz and one on that Petroleum ground in the Cat Creek field.

## Operator Agree to Drill Soap Creek on Percentage

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