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MEMO

TO: D. V. Rogers
FROM: Frank Piro
SUBJECT: Southwest Field Trip, August 1966

1. Lloyd Locke #1 Johnson, NE NW, 32-35N-9W

This well has not been plugged. Contacted Harry Miller, who was unable to get the well plugged, as planned, because of weather. Will phone as soon as well is plugged.

well file indicates
well did get
plugged.

2. Great Western Drlg. Co., Nick Spatter Wells 1 & 2,
NE SW SW, 31-33N-9W

Our records show only Spatter No. 1 located at this spot, which was plugged in 1954. This well is now flaring through the marker. A few feet to the west is bubbling water due to escaping gas. We do not have any information or file that there should be a twin well to the Spatter No. 1. These wells are next to the highway and, according to Jerry Long of the U. S. G. S., the flare coming from the marker is quite extensive. A check of the file shows the bond has been cancelled (as we had assumed the well was properly plugged). (See picture).

3. Mac-Fulton Drlg. Co., No. 1 Long, NW NW SW, 7-33N-11W,
Red Mesa

This well is in same condition as when last visited two years ago. Gas is still bubbling through water (see picture). Visited present landowner, Mr. Harrison, who would like the well plugged. He has attempted to contact the bonding agent in Durango to see what could be done about plugging, but so far has not been successful. Cattle are in the area, but apparently the well is of no immediate danger.

well file
indicates
well plugged
by Bonding
Co., although
plugging
minimal.

4. King Oil Co., No. 1 Royal, SW NE, 27-33N-12W

This well has been shut down. A Mr. C. F. Justis, with Blanco Oil Co., P. O. Box 314, Farmington, was in the area. He indicated an interest in taking over this well to re-enter and put back on production, if possible. He is trying

to contact all interested parties in the well, for this purpose. I informed him of the necessary forms to submit to this office (including bond, agent, etc.).

There is still some oil in the tank on the well site; also oil in the pit (see picture).

5. Walter L. Huey No. 1 K-F, NE NE SW, 27-33N-12W

This well, a former gas producer, has been shut down for quite some time, due to water fill up. It is located in the same area as Southern Union Gas Co.'s separator and meter units for the Brazil lease. Mr. Justis of Blanco Oil Co. is also interested in trying to obtain this well, and plans to contact Lloyd Taylor on this matter. (Picture)

6. H. B. Mullin No. 1 Kennedy, SW NE, 22-33N-12W

New bond on Kennedy
This well is presently shut down; however, I understand the tank is full of oil. I was able to talk to a Gene Kennedy, son of the landowner. He informed me that the land is no longer under lease, and that his father has taken over operations but cannot sell any oil until the legal aspects of ownership have been settled. Mr. Kennedy can easily be contacted by letter or phone as to the requirements this office will request from Mr. Kennedy. There are no immediate plans to plug the well. (Mr. Ed. C. Kennedy, Hesperus, Colo., Phone - Marvel 966-2239). (Picture)

7. R. E. Wear Wells, 27-50N-10W

Unable to contact Wear in Montrose. There is one well located in the SW SW of Sec. 27 (first well, according to Wear's letter). This well still has equipment over the hole, plus a derrick. The field is planted in sugar beets. There is a considerable flow of water coming out of the well. The owner, in order to avoid flooding the field, has placed some pipe underground to divert the water flow into a ditch.

The second well is located across (in a wheat field) the road in the NE SW of Section 27. This well also is flowing water, and the cable tool rig is still over the hole. About 30 feet to the east of this well is another hole, from which there is flowing a small amount of water. The water from both of these wells flows into a ditch going north, and eventually into the river.

The water from these wells did not taste salty, nor did the landowner consider the water "bad". However, it does create a nuisance to the farmer in having it flow through both his sugar beet field and wheat field, plus the fact that drilling equipment is still on the two locations.