

WATER SPOUTS INTO THE AIR THIRTY FEET AT SHAMROCK

Well Is Being Sunk For Oil, and There Are Indications of Oil in the Artesian Flow of Water—Drillers Believe That in a Few Feet More They Will Strike the Oil Stratum—Plenty of Gas Spouts Out With the Water.

Water with oil indications was shot 30 feet above the surface at Shamrock (Camp City) 70 miles north of El Paso, on the El Paso and Southwestern railroad, Thursday morning.

The men were drilling for oil and got a gushing artesian well with plenty of indications of oil. They believe that after going down a few feet further, they will strike the oil. There was plenty of gas in the water, and this leads them strongly to the belief that oil will be found below.

The "blowout" came Thursday morning about 10 o'clock and the water spouted over the derrick and the drillers for several minutes before it could be cut off. There were oil bubbles in it and it showed oil as it glistened in the sunlight.

The telephone line between El Paso and Camp City failed shortly after the news of the "blowout" was flashed to El Paso to judge John Bennett. Both El Paso and Alamo had failed to get the scene of the excitement on long distance calls.

Telephone messages from Alamo state that a number of excited people from that town left for the well in automobiles immediately on hearing the report of the "blow out" on Thursday.

At a o'clock Thursday afternoon George Warnock returned to Alamo from the well and telephoned The Herald the facts in the case.

The "gusher" came, he said, suddenly, and was clearly a water gusher or artesian well, but when the water spouted into the air in the sunlight, the drillers and others could see a sheen of oil glistening.

The first "gush" threw the water only about three feet high, and J. A. Brent, who is having the well drilled, shouted to the men to cut it off. This took them four or five minutes and before they could complete the task, the water was gushing 30 feet in the air. They got it shut off and are now proceeding with the work of casing the well.

Mr. Warnock says there are plenty of indications of oil floating on the water around the well.

The first gush of water covered all the drillers and soaked them from head to foot, but they did not mind it, they were so jubilant over what they had secured.

Mr. Brent is an experienced oil man and is not excited over the discovery, although it is certain that he will soon get oil.

The casing recently broke off in the well and was pulled. As soon as new casing can be put back down into the well, it will be hoisted, and then sinking for oil will be resumed.

"Mr. Brent thinks he is dead sure to get oil," said Mr. Warnock over the telephone, "and he is very enthusiastic."

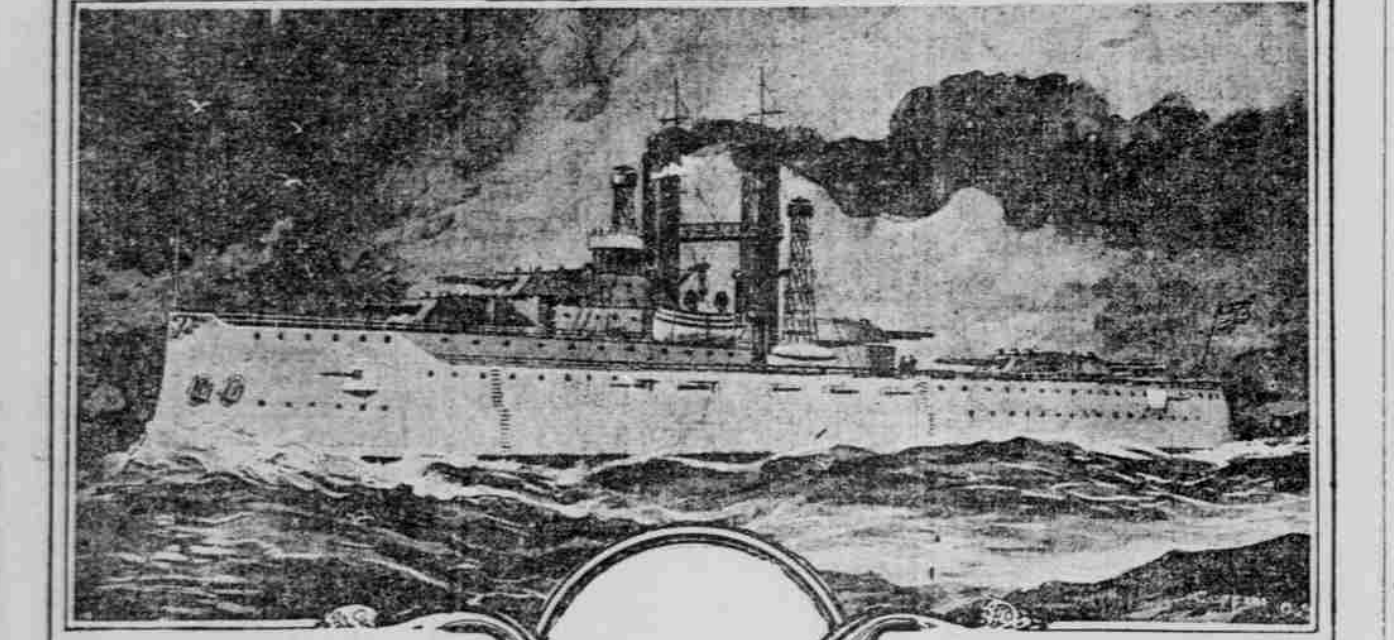
TEXAS LEGISLATURE TO DISFRANCHISE NEGRO

Austin, Tex., Sept. 8.—By a vote of 51 to 34 the house today adopted the concurrent resolution indorsing the disfranchisement of negroes. A resolution was adopted inviting governor Campbell to speak to the house at the close of the session. The house then recessed until 2:30 this afternoon.

The legislature will likely adjourn this afternoon or tonight. A motion by Looney that the house confer on the bill that it shall not be effective until Jan. 20, 1911, was adopted by the house this morning, after considerable debate and after the substitute had been voted down, 47 to 49, which would have made the commissioner elective instead of appointive. Looney's proposal was adopted by a vote of 77 to 19.

The senate will likely agree, but it is feared that Campbell will veto the bill because it will not permit him to name the commissioners. The house conferees were also instructed to agree to cut out all appropriations, leaving this responsibility to the incoming administration.

BATTLESHIP NORTH DAKOTA IS AFIRE



THE U. S. S. NORTH DAKOTA
Norfolk, Va., Sept. 8.—A telephone message from Fort Monroe says the battleship North Dakota is off Ocean City with her oil tanks on fire.

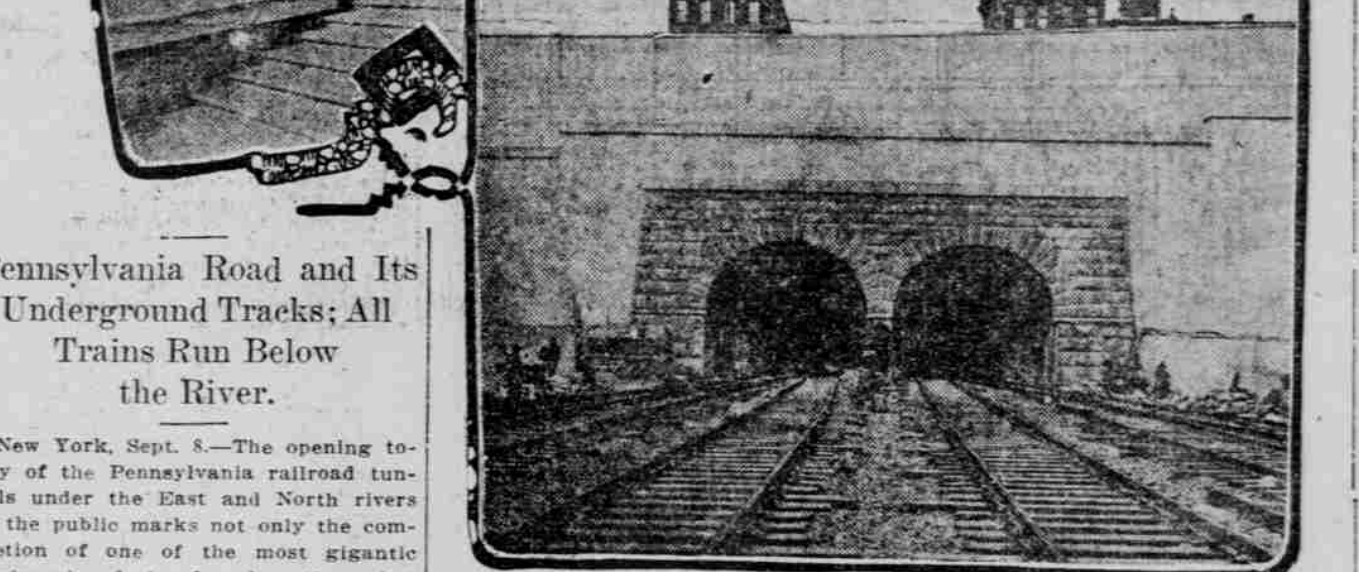
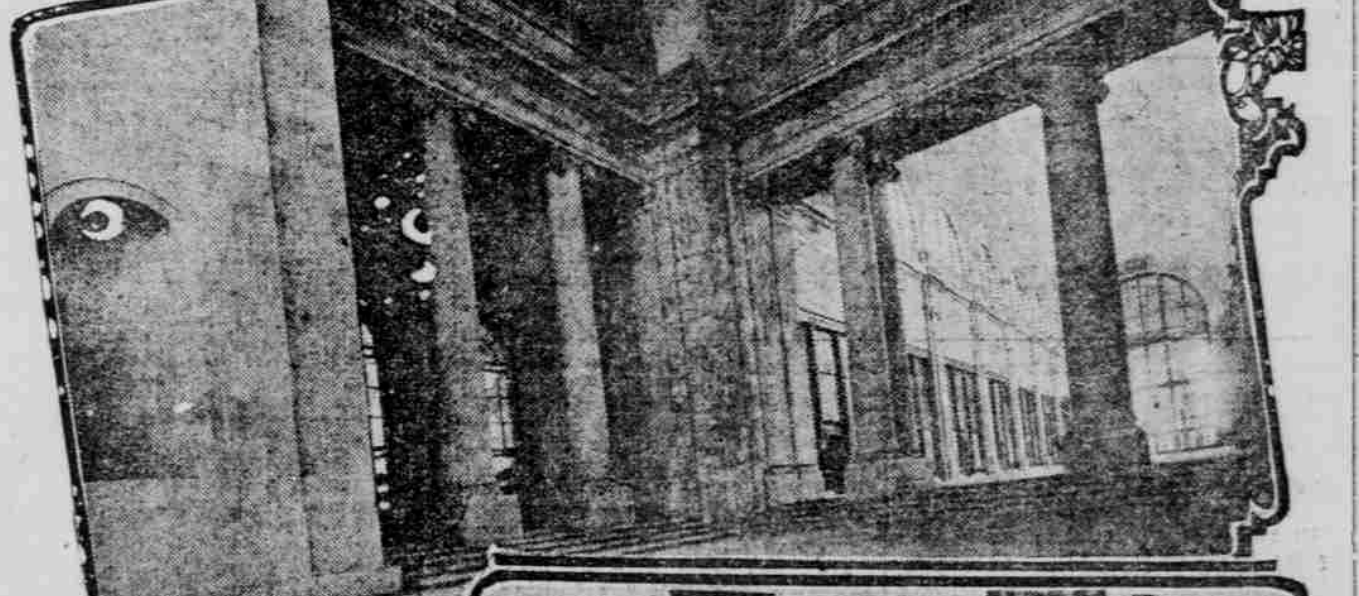
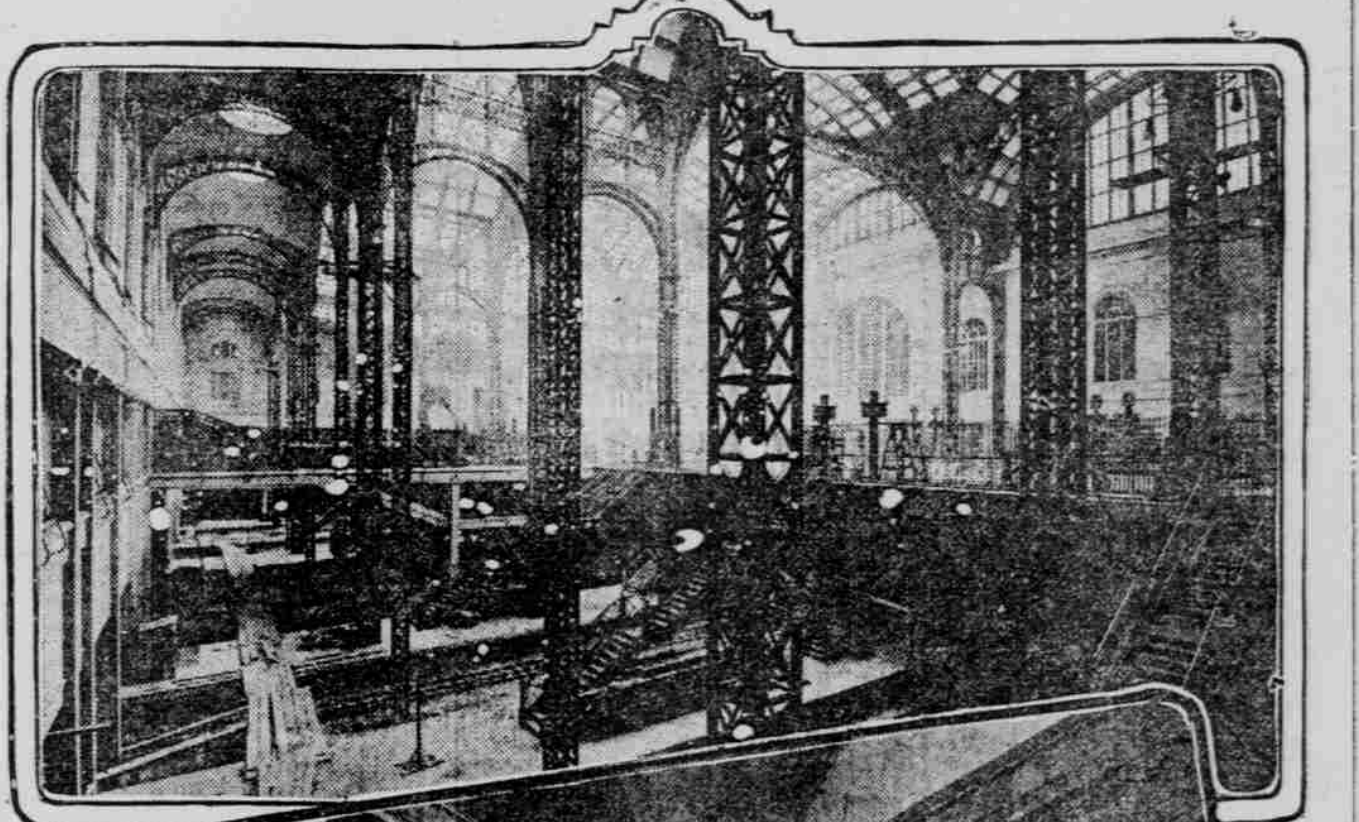
A number of men are said to have been overcome by smoke and gas. A hospital ship has been sent to her aid.

A special to the Ledger-Dispatch from Old Point Comfort at 3:15 says seven men were killed and 100 injured in an explosion on the battleship North Dakota.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 8.—Unofficial advices are that but three men were killed and 11 injured on the North Dakota.

LORIMER OUTLAWED BY T. R.

Opening Of the Greatest Railway Station In the World



Three pictures showing the aspect of the tunnels connecting the magnificent Pennsylvania railroad station, just completed at Seventh avenue and 33rd street, in New York, with the New Jersey side and the Long Island shore. The top picture shows a corner of the loggia in the new terminal. Next is seen the concourse and track level. The bottom picture shows the portals of the new tunnels opening toward New Jersey. The station and the tunnels have taken several years to build and their completion makes a solid and complete link between Jersey, New York and Long Island that fog and ice or other river troubles cannot disturb in future.

WOMAN LAUGHS AS STOVAINE ADMINISTERED TO KILL PAIN DOCTORS CUT KNEE

Dr. Stillwell C. Burns, the Philadelphia surgeon, gave a demonstration of the use of stovaine, the new spinal anesthetic, at the county hospital Wednesday afternoon. Dr. Burns administered the famous anesthetic for two operations.

One of the operations in which stovaine was used was for a tubercular knee. The patient was a woman of 32 years and laughed and chatted with the surgeons as they operated upon her knee. The anesthetic caused a temporary paralysis of the lower limbs and the patient suffered no ill effects from its use. The other operation was for an abdominal tumor, the patient being an aged Mexican woman. The tumor was removed without administering a general anesthetic and was a complete success.

The demonstration of the use of the stovaine was witnessed by a number of surgeons of the city, who had been invited to be present at the operations.

TEXAN SPIRITED AWAY FROM MOB

Waco, Tex., Sept. 8.—Learning that a party of 40 is forming a mob to lynch Ben Myatt, of Marlin, under sentence of death on the charge of killing his wife, sheriff Poole, of Falls county, brought the man here in an auto early this morning, chained and handcuffed.

He was kept here until the fast train north arrived, when he was conveyed to Dallas and placed in jail.

DECREASED STOCK OF COPPER ON HAND

New York, N. Y., Sept. 8.—The stock of marketable copper in the United States Sept. 1 showed a decrease of 1,759,433 pounds from August 1, according to the monthly report of the Copper Producers' association, made public today.

THOUSAND TRAINS A DAY

More than a thousand trains a day will come in and out of the new terminal at 24th street, when the regular schedule is adopted and a million

ROOSEVELT IS CHICAGO'S GUEST

But Declines to Sit at Table With Senator Accused of Bribing Legislators.

RECEPTION ROOM A JUNGLE SCENE

Hundreds Welcome the Former President and Attend Banquet in His Honor.

Freeport, Ill., Sept. 8.—Col. Roosevelt refused flatly today to attend a banquet to be given tonight by the Hamilton club of Chicago unless senator Lorimer is excluded. He demanded that a telegram to that effect be sent to the senator.

A committee of 16 members of the Hamilton club came to Freeport from Chicago and met Col. Roosevelt to escort him to Chicago. The colonel at once asked who was to attend the dinner.

"Is speaker Cannon to be there?" he asked.

"Yes," replied John P. Batten. "He accepted the invitation."

"How about senator Lorimer?" the colonel asked.

"Senator Lorimer is a member of the club," he was told. "He has accepted an invitation to the dinner."

"Then I must decline to go," said the colonel. He added that he would feel the same about the presence of senator Lorimer as if the members of the Illinois legislature who are involved in the graft investigation should be present at the dinner.

The members of the committee told the colonel they would go back to Chicago and inform senator Lorimer of his views.

"No, no," Col. Roosevelt replied, "send a telegram telling him I will not attend if he is here."

The committee of the Hamilton club soon wired that it had recalled its invitation to senator Lorimer to attend the banquet.

CHICAGO'S RECEPTION

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 8.—From the time Col. Roosevelt arrived in Chicago late this afternoon until he departs for Cincinnati at 1:30 tomorrow morning, he will be the central figure in a series of receptions arranged in his honor.

A large proportion of the membership of the Hamilton club and many school children were at La Salle street station to voice yells and songs written for the occasion.

The colonel will be the chief guest at a banquet at the Congress hotel tonight, at which there will be 1400 diners. Among those to be seated at the speakers' table will be governor Deneen, United States senators Lorimer, Gamble, Cummins, and Beveridge, speaker Cannon and former vice president Fairbanks.

One big banquet hall, where the reception will be held, has been transformed into a representation of a jungle.

The chief of the hotel has constructed a candy piece four feet high representing Col. Roosevelt seated on an elephant with two gun bearers, in the midst of palm trees.

MAN ASSAULTED AT PARIS MAY DIE, SAY THE DOCTORS

Paris, Texas, Sept. 8.—Z. Rupp, who was assaulted by H. A. Gass while enjoying the Labor day outing at the park here with Mrs. Rupp, is likely not to recover, attending doctors saying this morning that they expect the man to die. Gass paid a fine on a charge of simple assault and then left.

Rupp's condition was pronounced serious, the charge was changed to assault to murder and the authorities sought Gass but he was not found. Family trouble caused the assault it is said.

HOUSTON FIRE CHIEF HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

Houston, Tex., Sept. 8.—While driving to a fire at high speed here today, the fire of the auto-carrying fire chief Offre exploded, and the machine was ditched, the chief narrowly escaping death. The chauffeur was bruised. The fire was trivial.

TRACING BRIBE MONEY FROM TRACTION TRUST

New York, N. Y., Sept. 8.—An effort to trace Metropolitan Street railway cash through the brokerage firm of Edinburg and Cunningham to accounts of various members of the legislature of 1909 will engage the time today of legislative probers into the alleged graft in connection with the legislation at Albany.

George Carpenter, formerly bookkeeper for the defunct firm, was on the stand yesterday and today. He has already told the committee many interesting things, including a statement that H. P. Veeland, president of the Metropolitan Street railway company, had in April, 1909, given the firm his check for \$5000, of which amount, according to Carpenter's reading from the firm's books, the account of Louis Bedell, then chairman of the committee on railroads in the state assembly, had been credited with \$2375, while the balance had gone in nearly equal parts to the accounts of former senator Goodsell and G. T. Rogers. Other books asked for have not been produced and the committee may take drastic measures to get them.