

WILWOOD'S WEALTH

Of Golden Grease That Gushes Forth From Earthly Depths in Lively Streams.

FULL HISTORY AND A MAP

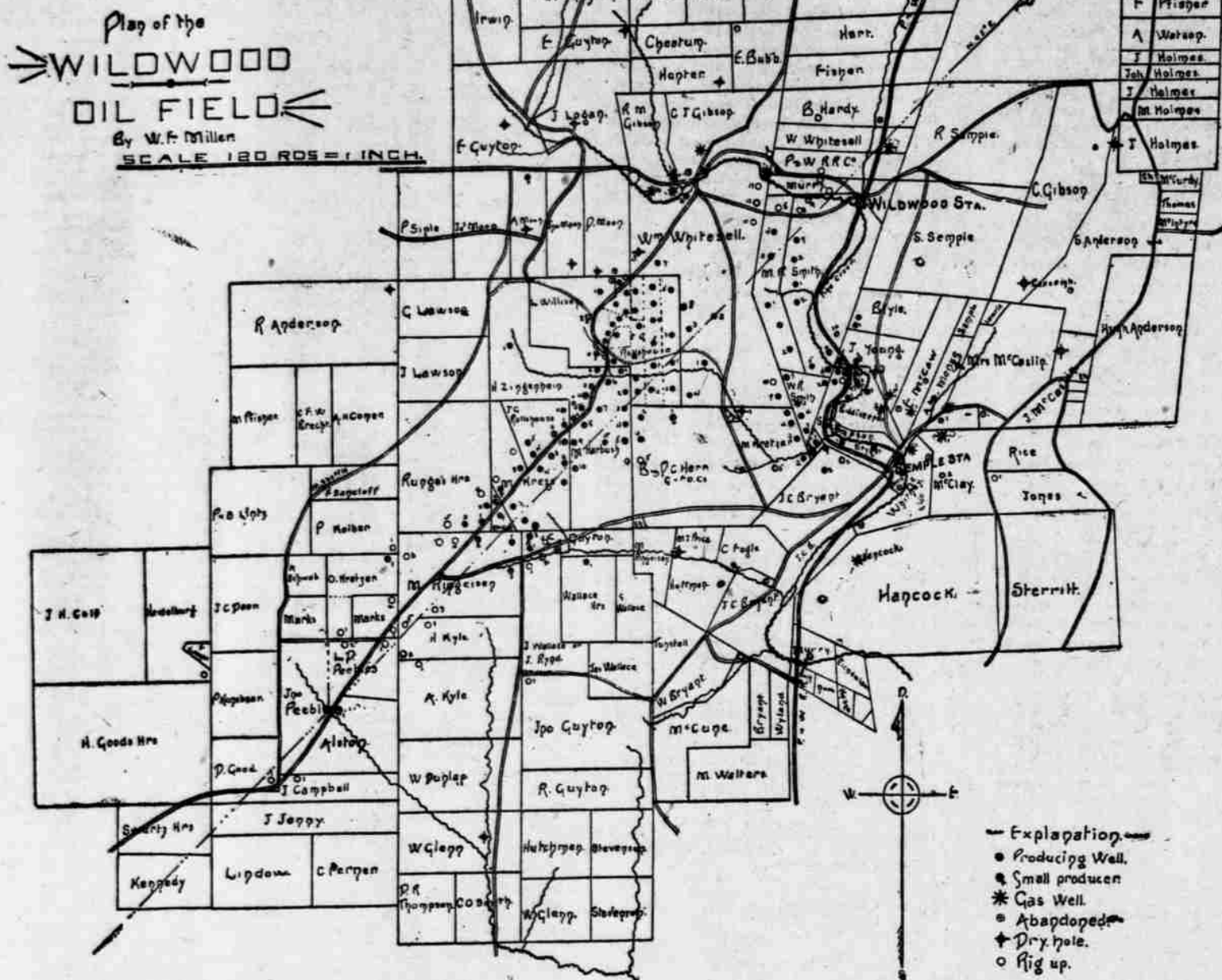
Of This Richest Spot in Allegheny County's Rich Territory.

THAT WONDER OF THE OIL WORLD,

Thorn Creek, Closely Pressed by the New Pool in Production.

BIG FORTUNES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE

This morning we publish a complete map of the famous Wilwood field, showing the location and number of wells completed, dry holes, gasers and wells drilling, together with a full history of the field from the first experimental well drilled by the present Wilwood Oil Field.



In the same year John M. Patterson, taking his cue from the records of these two wells, which indicated that the sand thickened to a least, located a well one and a half miles to the east from the Bear Creek's duster on the Gibson farm and drilled a well on the Gibson farm.

Another Experimental Failure. The knowledge obtained by drilling this well, together with the previous developments of J. M. Guffy & Co. to the southwest, near Perryville, where they found a thick sand, led Gibson & Giles to drill a well to the west of the Gibson farm.

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Gusher After Gusher Followed. Soon after the advent of Whitsett No. 1, Greater & Ford followed with an 800-barrel well on the Bolshouse, which held up at 600 barrels a day for some time.

The Accident of Discovery. However, it is a significant fact that this well was located 17 rods further south, while Fisher No. 2 was drilled, it would have been a duster, and Thorn Creek's most likely would have remained undisturbed.

Producing Wells. The highest daily production of the Thorn Creek pool was 21,000 barrels, which is 2,125 barrels more than the largest daily output at 30 days was 16,000 barrels, or a total of 480,000 barrels for the month.

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fact that the sand diminishes about 18 feet to the mile, on a 45° line, running due south-west, and on a 22° southwest line nearly 20 feet to the mile.

It is pertinent to remark here that the production of the field has been over-estimated by the daily reports which are conclusively shown by the monthly statements and aggregate output.

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strength of a dry hole or big well with remarkable rapidity. But now things have changed, and under the more stable condition of affairs Wilwood has never exceeded this point influence upon the trade.

Those Upon Whom Fortune Smiled. Fortune has smiled upon many operators in the Wilwood field, and below we give a brief sketch of some who were especially active in drilling experimental wells and largely engaged in the development of the pool.

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For two years previous to their success here, they had been playing in hard luck, having drilled many experimental dusters. They were induced by both Jennings & Calhoun to drill a well on the William Glenn farm for a half interest in 1,300 acres.

Inspired with new hope they at once started two wells, one on the Kretzer and the other on the James Bryant farm, the latter was struck on the 15th of February.

Other producers who have been successful and made a handsome stake may be mentioned as follows: Roth & Jennings, Kretzer, and in all some 12 or 13 farms.

The production of the pool for the past 24 hours is 7,000 barrels, and still declining. The situation at present on the southwest line does not present any encouraging features.

PORTER PASSES AWAY

The Admiral of the Navy Dies Very Suddenly at His Home.

CLOSE OF A BRILLIANT CAREER.

His Services for the Country in the Mexican and Late Wars.

SIMPLE HABITS OF THE NAVAL HERO

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Admiral David D. Porter, who had been in failing health for some years, died suddenly at 8:15 o'clock this morning, at his residence in this city.

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In the summer of 1863, during the second siege of Vicksburg, he bombarded the works and rendered material assistance to General Grant, who commanded the besieging army.

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FLORIDA HOME LIFE.

It is a Languid, Sunshiny Existence Throughout the Year.

SCARCITY OF MEAT AND FRUITS.

Cottages That Have a Temporary Look in Their Construction.

INFLUX OF NORTHERNERS INCREASING

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.] The real Floridian, or cracker, one who was born and raised on the soil, is only to be found here and there.

They have come as it were to a great sanitation, and by so doing have added years to their life, as will tell you.

They Welcome the Yankee. The handful of natives welcome the Yankee, even if he is a sick one.

To build a home in this climate seems to be the work of a day. Any day in the year a building can be commenced.

Every housekeeper is a florist. Plants grow so easily the temptation to experiment is great.

All this outdoor life is the principal one. More attention is paid to the surrounding nature than in any other climate.

The furniture is light in weight and color, much of it being bamboo and wicker.

Considerable is said about all sorts of annoying insects in this climate. That they are numerous is true.

A novel way of getting water is to drive down through the sand a two-inch pipe to the depth of six feet.

Where it is possible to raise two crops of vegetables a year, and where fruit ripens so abundantly.

The fruits are very perishable. Everything must be used soon.

CHATTANOOGA PARTLY FLOODED. The River Higher Than the Danger Line, and Driving People From Homes.

Near the South Tredgar Rolling Mill many houses are flooded, their inmates have vacated the premises.

THE LADY CAR'S AGONY

Rev. Lyon Stedfast was one of the persons who take their calling seriously.

As the dialike of the smart people of Bourgoistown was due to the flouted love, so the disfavor of the clergy was caused by a similar admission.

There were various good grounds for the dialike toward him manifested by "the smart people" and the clergy of Bourgoistown.

Mr. Earthenware had seven fine, strapping boys, who were being off quite to his or his wife's satisfaction.

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