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[Texas Oil Promotional - North Texas] Ablon Predicts 20 for 1

Stock#: 69496
Map Maker: Ablon
Date: 1920 circa
Place: n.p.
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 8 x 13.3 inches
Price: \$ 245.00

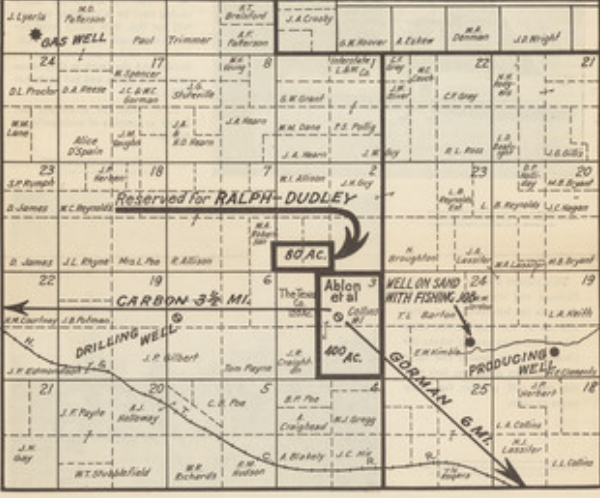
The picture on the right shows a fairly good view of George Ablon's crew with George standing on the extreme left. You will also see a couple of Ferris on the right, one of which belongs to the tool-pusher and the other to Mr. Ablon. Every last man in the crew is determined to get a well.



The view on the left shows Ablon standing, without the famous white gloves, beside the cable line that he will use in his well. Casing and miscellaneous pipe are seen in the foreground. George Ablon is determined to bring in a big well, and think what it will mean to the fortunate Dudley stockholders who are interested with him in his deal.



The map shown below is drawn absolutely to scale. You will notice the gas well northwest of Ablon's 400-acre block and production east of him. There is also production as close on the south, but this is only a small map to show the immediate territory around the well. You will see that The Texas Company owns the 400-acre block with a 120-acre lease and you will see the 90 acres reserved for Ralph Dudley, which means that this 90-acre offset will belong to Ralph Dudley's Arkansas Interests when \$25,000 has been fully raised for Ablon. There are numerous other operations in this district and the territory is absolutely perfect from a geological standpoint. Note the well drilling a short distance west of the Ablon location. This may be your last chance to get in on the Ablon deal so act at once.



Description:

Early Texas oil promotional broadsheet, showing the location of the sites at which George Ablon was then seeking investors.

The map illustrates a 400-acre leasehold, identified as "Collins #1", with an area above reserved for Ralph Dudley.

The broadsheet includes four photographs illustrating the progress of Ablon's explorations.



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George Ablon's name appears on a number of occasions as a driller in North Texas, between 1920 and 1924. Collins #1 was likely in Eastland County, Texas, near the town of Carbon.

The Oil Weekly of March 15, 1924, Page 55, references Ralph Dudley as a wildcat driller in Nevada County, Arkansas.

The "20 for 1" prediction is consistent with oil and mining investment scams that proliferated at the time; offering small-time investors the opportunity to get involved in projects that were apparently making many people very wealthy. Many of these schemes turned out to be fraudulent, though few have left much of a mark on the historical record.

Detailed Condition: