

**OIL STRIKE IN MARLBORO.**

**Valuable Discovery Made Near Bennettsville.**

C H Jackson was digging a pit on his farm at the Five Forks last week in which to put machinery for a flour mill and a distinct smell of oil was noticed. He paid little attention to it till Saturday, when the accumulation of an oily substance was so pronounced that he began an investigation. It now develops that there is a small quantity of crude oil seeping through the earth's surface to within five feet of the top.

Examinations are being made and it seems altogether probable that we will have some gushers right here at us.

The strata on which this oil is found is the flat lands, and if a true production of crude oil, there is a very large territory affected, as this low, flat land is said to extend from near the fair grounds at Bennettsville to a point near Latta. A great deal of it is covered with timber yet. As soon as definite surveys and tests are made there will be something doing in this section, if we are blessed with oil.

Since the above was written by the Advocate's Clio correspondent, the editor went to Five Forks Tuesday afternoon and examined the oil, which was found oozing from the chalky clay at the bottom of the five-foot excavation which Mr Jackson had made for the foundation of his flour mill. The odor and looks of the oil show undoubtedly that it is crude kerosene. It burns freely when a match is applied.

Water is also trickling into the excavation, and stands about a foot deep, if not pumped off in several hours. The oil floats on the top of the water and forms a yellow scum. A sample of the oil was obtained from the excavation and is on exhibition at the Advocate office.

Mr Jackson said that telegrams had been sent to Columbia and Washington for experts to come and make an examination. He expects them in a day or two.

Mr Jackson is a son of Rod Jackson, of Dillon County, and a nephew of J M Jackson, of Bennettsville. The 360-acre tract of land on which he resides at Five Forks is part of the estate of his wife's grandfather, Col T N Edens. It is between Clio and Blenheim, about four miles from each place.

It is probable that there is a large quantity of oil down in the earth at that place, and possibly over a large area in that section, and is seeping through the chalk to near the surface at that point. In oil sections wells are often bored hundreds of feet deep to reach the oil.

Dozens of people from miles around were viewing the oil flow at Five Forks Tuesday afternoon. Hundreds have been there since the oil was discovered. -- *Pee Dee Advocate.*

**The Meat of the Meat Question.**

In the Hartsville Messenger is a letter from David R Coker, saying that he has lately shipped to Richmond a carload of hogs for which he received prices ranging from 12 to 14 cents a pound. Mr Coker is satisfied that raising hogs is profitable in the neighborhood of Hartsville and he invites other farmers to engage in the industry, promising that, if he shall have their cooperation, he will look after the marketing side of it.

During the War Between the States the people of the South, except in the districts overrun by the Federals, who wasted what they did not consume, did not suffer for meat. It was abundant for the people at home and for the Southern soldiers, too, so long as it could be gotten to them.

Meat is selling in the South now at prices almost prohibitive to those who are not well to do or those who do not raise it at home.

The majority of the people of the South preferring to go without mutton to going without the yellow dog, there is little present hope for the development of the sheep raising industry, but it is practicable for all farmers, tenants and owners of land, white farmers and black farmers, to own a few hogs and have a yellow dog, too. -- *The State.*

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**Big Baseball at Florence.**

Of great interest to the baseball enthusiasts of all eastern South Carolina is the baseball game between the Boston National and New York American league teams which will be played at Florence on next Tuesday, April 3. The railroads have announced special round trip rates to Florence for this occasion, and no doubt many fans will avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing these big league teams in action. Florence is the only place in the State at which they will play, and the Florence people have had to put up a large guarantee to secure the game.

Both "Miracle Man" Stallings and "Wild Bill" Donovan, the respective managers, have given assurance that the regular line ups will be used for this game, and it is the chance of a life time to see in action such famous players as Johnnie Evans, J Frank Baker (the original "Fence Buster"), Dick Rudolph, Sherwood Magee, Rabbit Maranville, Lee Magee, Hank Gowdy, Ed Konetchy and others, most of whom have seen service and won fame in one or more world's championship series. The Braves and the Yankees have both been in Southern training camps for the past three weeks, and have arranged to stop over for this game on their way North, where the regular season is scheduled to begin the following week.

From all reports, Florence is making big preparations to receive the visiting athletes. Work has commenced on the diamond, which is one of the best in the State, and the word has gone out that ample accommodations will be provided for an immense crowd of fans and fan-ables. For this one day the entire city will be given over to baseball and affairs of the diamond. All of the business houses will be closed for the afternoon, and the largest crowd ever assembled in the State for such an event is expected. The game will be called at three-thirty, and will be played at the park constructed last year for the Florence team of the Pee Dee league.

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At the Close of Business March 5, 1917

**RESOURCES**

Loans and Discounts.....	\$264,681 50
Overdrafts.....	15,599 14
Bonds and Stocks owned by the Bank.....	500 00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	4,358 23
Banking House.....	9,313 13
Other Real Estate Owned.....	2,000 00
Due from Banks and Bankers.....	23,762 74
Currency.....	3,325 00
Gold.....	952 50
Silver and Other Minor Coin.....	1,062 13
Checks and Cash Items.....	1,008 22
Other Resources, viz:	
Approved County Warrants.....	10,823 52
Total.....	\$337,386 11

**LIABILITIES**

Capital Stock Paid In.....	\$100,000 00
Surplus Fund.....	4,000 00
Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid.....	789 92
Due to Banks and Bankers.....	1,464 14
Individual Deposits:	
Subject to Chks.....	\$97,691 72
Savings Deps.....	106,856 29
Cashier's Chks.....	84 13
Total.....	\$204,632 05
Notes and Bills Rediscounted.....	6,509 00
Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed.....	20,000 00
Total.....	\$337,386 11

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, )  
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSBURG, ) ss

Before me came E C Epps, Cashier of the above named bank, who, being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.  
E C EPPS.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of March, 1917.

EDWIN L HIRSCH,  
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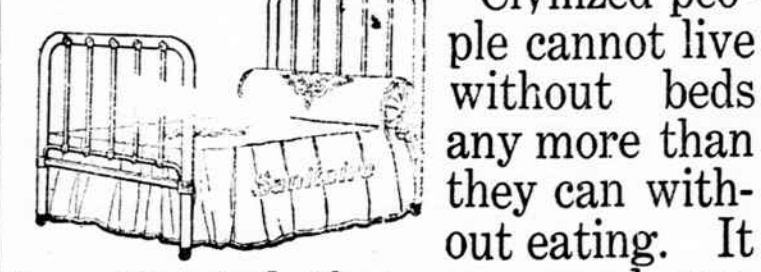
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