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INSPECTION REPORT

November 1, 1951

Neill & Steffan - Sauble No. 2 & 3 NENE - Section 3-26N-24E., Colfax County, New Mexico

On this date at Springer, New Mexico, the writer contacted Mr. Frank Sauble, owner of the property on which above wells are located. Mr. Sauble stated that he was in conformance with Mr. Clyde Neill's plans for plugging the two wells.

Mr. Neill, the drilling contractor was also interviewed. He stated that he is presently pulling the 5 1/2" OD casing at the #3 well, which he has maintained full of mud during post-testing operations. This casing has been shot off at a depth of 1495' and is free to vertical motion. The upper part of the hole with a suitable orifice in the cellar is to be left for use as a water well by the owner. One slush pit at this location has been filled with earth and another will be left for collection of water at the request of the owner.

Concerning well #2, Mr. Neill intends to pull the 5 1/2" OD casing in this well also but does not presently know how much of the casing he will pull until he attempts to shoot off the string at whatever depth it will yield.

Mr. Neill cannot pull the casing in either well and expect the wells to remain intact for water production without a cave-in occurring. I hereby recommend that the wells be completely plugged with cement where casing is to be pulled and casing be left at the upper intervals to be used as water wells. Mr. Clyde Neill shall be advised accordingly.

E. A. CHAVEZ, Geologist

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