

Albuquerque, New Mexico, Jan. 23, 1956

Messrs, George A. Sweetman,
John A. Aday,
W. M. Parnett.

RE: Oil and Gas Lease dated January 29, 1955.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of "Affidavit of Non-development and Non-payment of Rental" as to the above mentioned lease, which I am filing for record in the office of County Clerk of Torrance County, New Mexico. You will please govern yourselves accordingly.

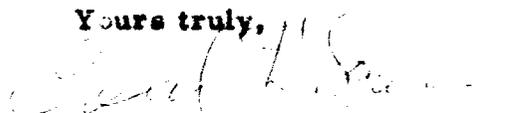
You are further advised that under the Supplemental and Drilling agreement executed in connection with the above mentioned oil and gas lease, I shall expect to take the well drilled on my property for a water well and release you from the plugging bond to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of New Mexico. In this connection, you are advised to take such steps as are necessary to turn the well over to me and to do nothing to such well which will render it unusable for water purposes.

You are further advised that you are to remove no equipment from the premises until this water well is properly turned over to me in a preserved condition.

You are further advised that you shall, within thirty (30) days from date of this letter, remove all six inch pipe casing from the well, and plug the well at a depth of 450 feet in order to preserve the condition of the well as required herein, and that you shall not remove any equipment until this well is properly turned over to me.

If after thirty days this work has not been completed, I shall hold your equipment in order to obtain a satisfactory adjustment as to cost of labor and other expenses which will be imposed on me in order to properly preserve this well.

Yours truly,



Cecil J. D'Spain

May 16, 1955

Sweetman and Aday Drilling Associates

c/o Mr. John Aday
625 Mission NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

c/o Mr. George A. Sweetman
Box 162
Estancia, New Mexico

Re: Sweetman & Aday Drig. Assoc.
D'Spain No. 1
NE/4 NW/4 Sec. 12 - T6N - R6E
Torrance County, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our letter of April 5, 1955, wherein you were granted an extension of forty five days for the temporary abandonment of the above-captioned well. This extension was granted by Mr. E. A. Chavez, Oil and Gas Inspector for Oil Conservation Commission District No. 4, with the understanding that it was to be the final extension of time.

To the best of our knowledge, the well has not been worked during this forty five day period nor has it been properly plugged and abandoned.

We are hereby allowing you an additional thirty day extension of temporary abandonment to expire June 15, 1955.

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During this period of time we shall expect you to arrive at some workable plan for this well and submit it on Form C-102 for approval. This plan can be either for the continuation of drilling or for the plugging of the well. If such has not been done and work is not in progress by June 15, 1955, we shall be required to place this well on the docket for public hearing, and you shall be required to show cause why the well should not be ordered plugged.

Very truly yours,

DANIEL S. NUTTER,
Petroleum Engineer

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Call from D'Spain:

needs water, must haul
from Estancia.

wants action against

Parnell

Sweetman

Aday

to release well on
his property. Asserts
they have not worked
well in 15 months.

Filed affidavit of non-
development and non-pay-
ment of rental for \$1,500
giving them 30 days
to remove pipe & turn well
off.

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 10, 1956

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Mr. R. M. Parsons
Echlin-Irvin-Crowell & Co.
355 Myrtle Avenue
El Paso, Texas

Re: John A. Aday & George A. Sweetman,
\$5,000 one-well bond, NE/4 NW/4
Sec. 12, T-6-N, R-6-E, American
Employers' Ins. Co. Bond SY-197618

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 6th pertaining to the above-captioned bond.

Our engineer, Mr. Dan Nutter, advised me that he has given an Affidavit of Responsibility, Conversion to a Water Well, to the operators and it will have to be executed by them and the land owner. Upon receipt of this affidavit we will be in a position to cancel the bond and will notify you of termination.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr.
Acting Secretary - Director

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
P. O. BOX 871
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

March 23, 1956

Messrs. John A. Aday
~~625 Mission NE~~
Albuquerque, New Mexico

George A. Sweetman
P. O. Box 162
Estancia, New Mexico

Re: Sweetman and Aday
D'Spain No. 1
NE/4 NW/4 Sec. 12,
T-6N, R-6E
Torrance County, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

A recent review of the well file and other records pertaining to the above-captioned well reveals these following facts:

1. The well was commenced on or about April 30, 1952.
2. The present depth of 1343 feet was reached in January or February, 1954.
3. Approximately 1240 feet of 6 inch casing was run and cemented with 151 sacks of cement in February, 1954. The casing parted however at approximately 790-800 feet below the surface. A string of drilling tools is cemented in the casing at a point just below the casing break.
4. No productive work has been performed on the well since at least October, 1954.

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Mr. John A. Aday
Mr. George A. Sweetman
March 23, 1956

It is the opinion of the engineering staff of this Commission that due to the present mechanical condition of the hole and the equipment in the hole, there is no practical manner in which this hole can be economically completed. Your actions in long delaying any attempt to complete the well confirm this opinion.

In view of the above facts, this office is of the opinion that you or the Surety Company bonding your performance in the drilling of this well should take immediate action to plug and abandon the well. An alternate to plugging is to plug the well back to a point just below productive water sand and transfer the well to the landowner for his use as a water-well, providing he is agreeable to such transfer and will assume future responsibility for the well.

If no action to dispose of the well in one of the above described methods has been taken on or before April 23, 1956, this Commission will advertise a case for its regular May 18th hearing at which time you shall be required to show cause why the subject well should not be ordered plugged.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Macey
Secretary-Director

WBM:jh

cc: American Employers Insurance Company
Echlin-Irvin-Crowell
355 Myrtle Avenue
El Paso, Texas

OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

May 21, 1956

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Employers Group Insurance Companies
Albuquerque Claim Department
2508 Central, SE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. W. E. Welch

Re: Sweetman and Aday
D'Spain No. 1
Torrance County, N. M.

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of May 18, 1956, where you inquire about the feasibility of plugging the above-captioned well or transferring it to the land-owner for his use as a water-well.

We are extremely anxious to conclude this matter at the earliest possible date. It was scheduled for hearing on May 16 but was continued to the June 14 hearing in the hopes that the differences between operators and land-owner might be resolved at a meeting scheduled to be held in this office at 10 o'clock a. m., May 24, 1956. Whether a well is plugged or converted to a water-well is immaterial to us, so long as the job is properly done. We feel that the interests of both parties must be protected, and that we will probably have to take cognizance of a clause in this particular lease contract which requires that if a dry hole be drilled by the operators, it shall revert to the land-owner as a water-well.

We shall advise you as soon as something definite has been worked out in this case, and the bond can be released.

Very truly yours,

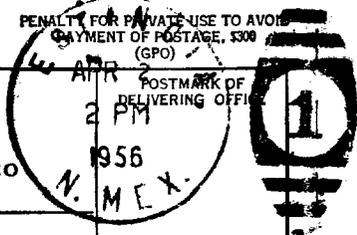
D. S. Nutter
Petroleum Engineer

DSN:jh

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Mr. John A. Aday
625 Mission NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico



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July 1955

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The EMPLOYERS' Liability Assurance Corporation, Ltd.

The EMPLOYERS' Fire Insurance Company

AMERICAN EMPLOYERS' Insurance Company

ALBUQUERQUE CLAIM DEPARTMENT
2508 CENTRAL, S. E. ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

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MAY 18 1956
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MAIN OFFICE OCC

New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, New Mexico

May 18, 1956

Attention: Mr. Dan Nutter

Re: Sweetman and Aday, D'Spain No. 1
NE/4 NW/4 Sec. 12, T-6N, R-6E
Torrance County, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Nutter:

We are at the present time attempting to conclude the handling of a one-well drilling bond on the above captioned well since you have now placed our company as the surety on notice.

The correspondence in our file indicates that the above captioned principals are having considerable difficulty with the surface owner at this particular well site even though Mr. Sweetman and Mr. Aday are desirous of plugging this well. There seems to be some misunderstanding as to whether or not this well should be left as a water well for the surface owner to use and we are wondering if your most recent inspections indicate whether or not this well can be left as a water well or whether it will have to be plugged. If the well has to be plugged, will you please advise us what procedure we will have to take in order to bypass the surface owner to get on the land.

Very truly yours,

W. E. Welch, Adjuster

WEW:cc

MAIN OFFICE
The Planters Mutual Insurance Company

(INCORPORATED FEBRUARY 15, 1930)

GEORGE A. SWEETMAN, General Manager

Branch Office Box 162

ESTANCIA, NEW MEXICO

May 22-56

New Mexico State Oil Com.
State Capitol
Santa Fe,
N.M.

NEW MEXICO
12 6NCE
T. Sweetman

File
Case 1069

Gentlemen;

After thinking the matter over I can see no good of me creating more expense and spending valuable time running back and forth, therefor I do not think I will be there Thursday.

All I ask for is the equipment borrowed and the things that is rightfully mine, the privilege to recover what casing possible or if D Spain wishes to pull the casing for half as he suggested once that will be O.K. with me starting around 400ft. if it will not pull there try 350 which is only 28 ft below where the main water was

One third of the casing on the ground is rightfully mine, and I do not wish to relinquish any thing I have an interest in even to junk.

I am willing to pull casing and plug at bottom if necessary and at top according to law if the land owner does not have a written permit from the oil commission.

I even own a third interest in the new cable bought just before we postponed operation, but might consider releasing that if I got what else belongs to me otherwise I would rather use the money and time running back and forth for an att. and go at it right.

A heavy shot at the depth specified with a strain on the casing I feel sure will release the casing, I am quit sure, and the above is all I wish to consider and the other interests can consider the above and act accordingly,

Yours truly

Geo. A. Sweetman
Geo. A. Sweetman

Memo

of 6/26/56

6/26/56

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To: Jerry Re: Case 1069

I believe it's OK to issue an order in this case directed to Sweetman & Haley and the ins. company directing them to plug the well.

Include the following findings

1. The well was commenced on or about April 30, '52
2. It reached its present total depth on or about Feb 10, '54.
3. No work has been per-

formed since ~~was~~
about Nov. 10, 1954

4. That for all practical purposes the well has been abandoned by Sweetman & Aday
5. That landowner Cecil D'Spain made an appearance at the hearing and offered testimony and exhibits to show that the original lease agreement provided that he would get the well for a water well if it were a dry hole.
6. That said Cecil D'Spain

3 Memo

From

To has a permit from the State Engineer ~~to~~ to complete and produce ^{domestic} a water well within the declared Estancia Underground Water Basin

7. That the Sweetman & Hay D'Spin no. 1 encountered a water sand at approximately 322'
8. That the well should be plugged to a ^{375'} depth of approx ~~350'~~

4 Memo

From

~~by setting a bridging~~
To by shooting off and
pulling the six inch
casing at the lowest
point possible, filling
the hole with heavy mud
to a depth of ⁴⁰⁰~~375~~' and
setting a cement plug
from ⁴⁰⁰~~375~~' to ³⁷⁵~~350~~'.

Specify in the order that
the work must be commenced,
not later than 30 days after
date of order, and that it is ²⁰

Cecil J. D'Spain Tajique, New Mexico		
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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

July 12, 1956

Mr. Cecil J. D'Spain
Tajique, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

We enclose a copy of Order R-844 issued July 12, 1956, by the Oil Conservation Commission in Case 1069, which was heard on June 14th.

Very truly yours,

A. L. Porter, Jr.
Secretary - Director

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Echlin-Irvin-Crowell & Co.
P.O. Drawer 1739
El Paso, Texas

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P.O. Box 162
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625 Mission NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico

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SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

April 5, 1955

Mr. George A. Sweetman
P. O. Box 162
Estancia, New Mexico

*45 days Temp abd
Apr 1, 55 to May 15*

Re: Sweetman and Aday
Drilling Associates
#1 Cecil D'Spain
NE1/4 Sec. 12-6N-6E
TORRANCE COUNTY

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 27 wherein you request an extension of time on your temporary abandonment of the captioned well.

Said extension is hereby granted for a period of (forty five days from April 1, 1955) on condition that this shall be the final extension of time. If at the end of this period the well is not being worked or properly plugged and abandoned, we shall have to order the well plugged.

Please notify us of your plans and progress.

Very truly yours

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EUGENE A. CHAVEZ
Oil & Gas Inspector Dist. #4

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OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

P. O. BOX 871

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Dec 54

December 28, 1954

*Temporarily abandoned Jan 1-55
to Mar 31, 55*

Mr. George A. Sweetman
Estancia, New Mexico

Re: Sweetman and Aday Drlg. Assoc.
#1 D^oSpain
NE NW Sec. 12-6N-6E
Torrance County.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed your approved copy of Form C-102, Notice of Intention to Temporarily Abandon, as filed by you for the above captioned well.

You will note that you are now given a period of (ninety days from January 1, 1955.) Should operations be resumed prior to April 1, 1955, you must notify this office of such resumption immediately.

Very truly yours



EUGENE A. CHAVEZ
Oil & Gas Inspector -
District #4

EAC/ga

cc: Mr. William Parnall
Mountainair, New Mexico

encl.

No 548324

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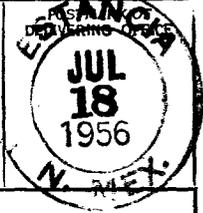
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