

July 5, 1949

Mr. W. H. Collins,
Sheriff, Curry County
Clovis, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

According to a newspaper report, the well recently drilled about two miles east of Helrose was authorized to drill by a deputy sheriff from your office.

This operator had been ordered to cease operations, by a representative of the Oil Conservation Commission, namely, Mr. Roy Yarbrough, at about 4:30 P. M., July 9, 1949, and operations were resumed at about 9:30 or 10:00, the same night by order of a deputy sheriff. If you can verify or deny this report, we shall be very glad to be informed. We have had some difficulty with the operators in this area, in obtaining the proper bond and notice before drilling operations are begun. The Commission caused operations to cease upon the day mentioned, and of course, no deputy sheriff in the State has any authority by law to rescind any order of the Commission. We feel that someone may be using your office and may have made a false report to us, but if the report is true, we request an explanation.

As of June 22nd, this location had been abandoned with mud pits uncovered and an open hole about 24 inches in diameter, known as the "rat hole", had been left open. After the incident of the child in California falling into a well last spring, we do not feel it is necessary that these or any operators need be so careless.

After much difficulty, and after Mr. Yarbrough had caused the operation to stop, we were able to obtain proper bond and Notice of Intention to Drill, from the operator, Mr. F. R. Jackson. Since that time we have had no notices of any sort, although notices should have been sent in on Form C-102, when the casing was set and other testing was conducted. By the steel plate welded to the top of the casing, we assume the well has been temporarily abandoned. However, we have no notice to this effect and if proper notice is not made within the next ten days, by July 11th, we shall call upon the bonding company to plug this well, fill in the

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