



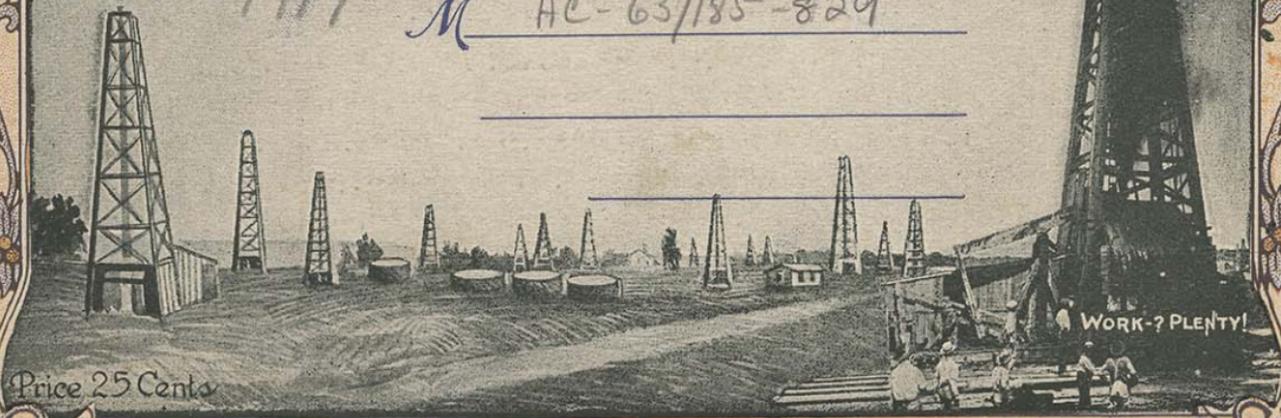
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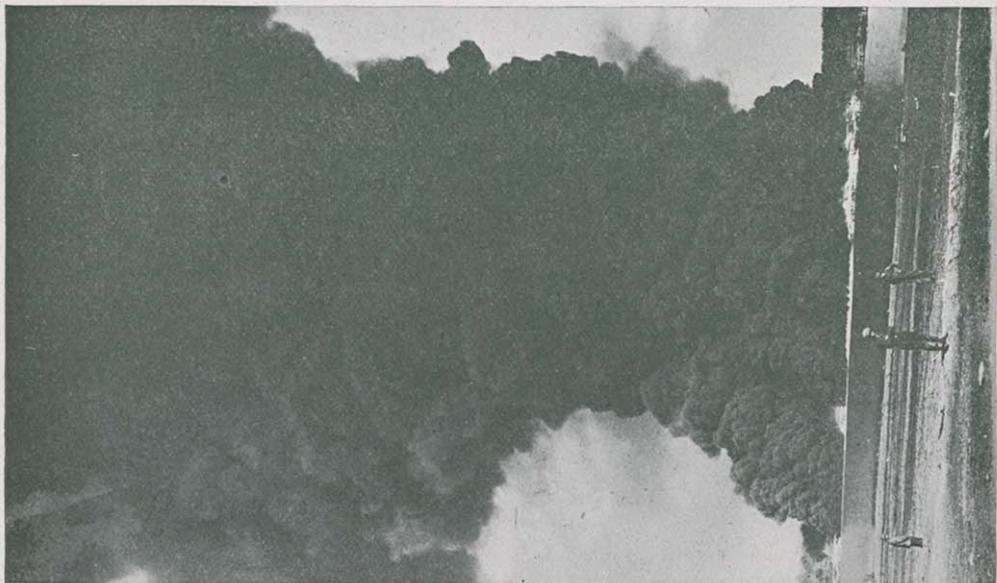
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Showing the farm of oil, gas and water tanks, which is located a few miles north of Ranger: Note: When this picture was taken one of these tanks had just exploded and caught fire.

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Showing the Hageman Lake fire. Note: This picture was taken at night by the light of this fire.

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A scene in Ranger, Texas. See this combination. Photographed from the top of a building, looking westward. Note the pretty cottage within a stone's throw from the oil wells, the chicken coop in the very front "X." You see some people do not entirely depend upon oil wells in Ranger. They raise chickens, too, to keep them from starving. . . .

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Showing a residential part of Ranger, Texas. Note the oil and gas lines laying in the streets. These cottages are occupied by some of Ranger's lucky people, who have made fortunes in oil, and it wasn't their fault either. . . .

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Showing the Meriman Church and the respectful members of the Meriman congregation, who have promptly refused and rejected the \$1,000,000 offer to lease out the grounds of the Meriman Cemetery for oil drillings.

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THIS LOT
FOR LEASE
FOR DRILLING

This shows the famous "Meriman Cemetery," where it is believed that the vast oil gushers are located, and for which a well-known oil company offered \$1,000,000 for a lease in this cemetery, and which the Meriman Church congregation promptly refused for the reason that "the bodies in the graves would first have to be consulted for permission" to be removed before they would consent to lease the ground where their departed members rest in peace.

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Showing Ranger's Public School. Note the addition in the rear. When Ranger grew suddenly bigger, they had to build this addition to accommodate the new pupils that the new settlers brought along.

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Showing another combination in Ranger, Texas. What shall it be? Take your choice. One will feed you. The next one above will take care of your teeth, and the one on the right will fit you in eyeglasses or sell you a piece of jewelry for your better half.

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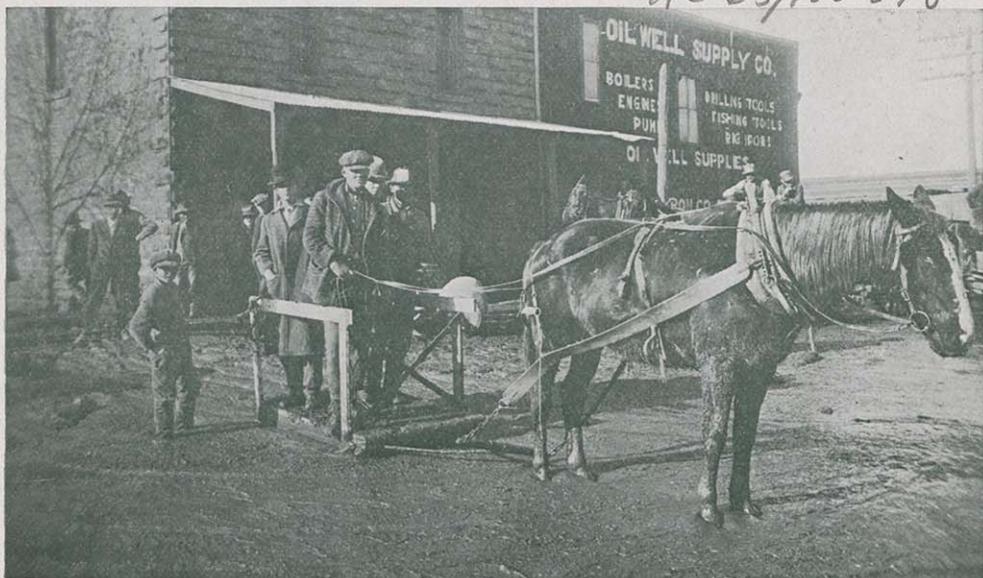
A scene looking northwest of Main Street, in Ranger, Texas. Note: This side of the street is built almost entirely of frame buildings, with the exception of the one on the corner. All the others were put up overnight, and of course will have to be torn down just as soon as Ranger starts to build up. We will see within a very short time on the very same side of this street brick buildings, and skyscrapers, too.

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When the mud in Ranger got almost impassable, the happy people of Ranger just laughed it away. Note: This party came out to "fish for flounders" on the main street, which looked like a good-sized lake or swimming pool.

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Showing Ranger's first street car in operation through the mud. Note: This driver was the original inventor of this "mud device." He was later followed by half a dozen other nickel schemers. The price was 5 cents for a distance of approximately fourteen feet. This shows passengers riding the mud car going to the depot.

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Showing the Waxahachie Oil Company Well, which came in just a very short time ago, and promises to be one of the finest producers. This well is located on the townsite of Ranger. The owners live in cottage to the right.

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Main Street, looking west from the top of the McClesky Hotel. Note: This modern-looking building at the corner houses the Guaranty State Bank of Ranger and the Wilson Hotel, where it is pretty hard to get a room if you don't have one reserved two weeks ahead of time before coming to Ranger.

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Showing the McClesky Hotel of Ranger, Texas, which, according to the daily transactions done in the lobby of this hotel, could rightfully be called the "Wall Street of Ranger." And if you want to see real pretty girls, visit the cafe, which is located on the main floor of this hotel.

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Just look at them. These are telegraph boys of the Ranger Western Union Office. These "hurry-up kids" are of great importance at present to Ranger oil and lease brokers. Thousands, if not millions, of dollars' worth of business are done daily through these telegrams.

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A bird's-eye view of a part of Ranger, where frame buildings are going up overnight as fast as mushrooms do in a forest. Note the oil derricks all around it.

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Showing Ranger's present "carnival corner," where everything imaginable is sold daily. On this empty lot in Ranger you can buy from a hamburger sandwich to an automobile. Or, if you wish, you can hire there a saddle-horse or buy a canvas tent; or just a post card that shows a muddy scene of Ranger.

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Showing another combination in Ranger. This pretty scene speaks for itself. Note the lines reaching outside of the postoffice, where thousands are waiting daily in line, sometimes for hours, to get their general delivery mail. Of course, this present postoffice is too small to handle Ranger's enormous increased population's and the every-day newcomer's business, but relief is promised soon. "So let's wait and hope" . . .

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A scene of a part of Ranger's Main Street, where thousands of people fight their way through daily. Note the street looks a little muddy, but who should worry? Ranger's people have no time to worry, for everybody is happy, with the liquid gold that is floating around.

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"Going over the top in Ranger, Texas." Note: When these bridges were laid out at the town's main crossings, the "mud car" had to quit business, which without exaggeration meant a loss to the mud car operators of approximately \$50.00 per day in round nickels.

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Looking from Ranger's Railroad Depot. Note the two kids fighting in the mud when the camera clicked and caught them still fighting, but it was sure sad when both of them tumbled in the mud afterward, and which scene the camera did not catch.

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A scene in Ranger, Texas, "The Pull Together." Yes, it's true that a flivver will go thru almost any road, but just at this time Henry Ford needs a little help. Give me a pull, please! is the battle cry in Ranger.

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