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### SUMMARY

This report covers in a rather superficial way over 4,000 square miles of territory in the western part of the State of Oklahoma.

Surface rocks of the area are Permian, Cretaceous, Tertiary and Quaternary in age. Little is known concerning the subsurface formations save through inference from known data on surrounding areas and the definite facts obtained from logs of the few deep wells which have been drilled.

The Anadarko Basin is the regional structural feature of this part of Oklahoma and its axis passes through the southern part of the area under consideration. Dips on the northeastern flank of the basin are low while those on the southern limb are much more steep.

Wildcat drilling has produced much activity in the leasing and royalty business. Most of the wells drilled thus far have been shallow and as yet no commercial product has been discovered.

This area would require many months of detailed field study in order to correctly interpret the stratigraphic and structural relationships. This report is largely a compilation of data obtained from men who have made detailed studies of particular areas and from their published reports.

### FOREWORD

In 1917 the Oklahoma Geological Survey issued Bulletin 19, Part II, entitled "Petroleum and Natural Gas in Oklahoma." This volume was so popular that the supply was soon exhausted and for several years copies have not been obtainable.

The present Director has seen the need of a revision of this bulletin. On account of the lack of appropriations he has not been able to employ sufficient help to compile the data, and has called on some twenty representative geologists throughout the State to aid in the preparation of reports on separate counties. These gentlemen, all busy men, have contributed freely of their time and information in the preparation of these reports.

It will be understood that the facts as set forth in the various reports represent the observation and opinion of the different men. The Oklahoma Geological Survey has every confidence in the judgment of the various authors, but at the same time the Survey does not stand sponsor for all statements made or for all conclusions drawn. Reports of this kind, are at best, progress reports, representing the best information obtainable as of the date issued, and doubtless new data will cause many changes in our present ideas.

The author of the present separate, 40-UU, is Mr. Ray L. Six, instructor in geology at the University of Oklahoma. Mr. Six has had considerable acquaintance with the geology of the red beds area of the western part of the State for a number of years, and during the past summer traveled over the area securing data for this publication. He has also been assisted by geologists from a number of oil companies who have very kindly furnished maps, well logs, and other pertinent data.

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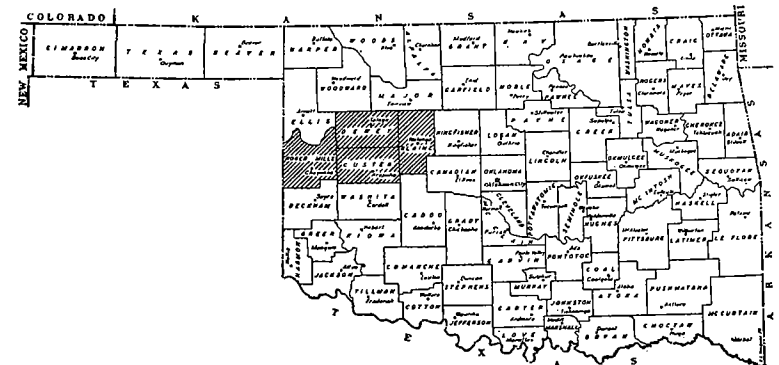


Figure 1. Index map of Oklahoma showing location of Blaine, Dewey, Custer, and Roger Mills counties.

A number of corrections in the areal geology as shown on the State Geologic map have been made on the accompanying map. Much data of a confidential nature in the files of major oil companies is not now available for publication. This, if incorporated in the present report, would greatly enhance its value.

### INTRODUCTION

Blaine, Dewey, Custer, and Roger Mills counties are located in the extreme west-central part of the State. The area lies directly east of the Texas-Oklahoma line, is south of Ellis, Woodward and Major counties, west of Kingfisher and Canadian counties and north of Caddo, Washita, Beckham and a part of Canadian county. It embraces the territory between Tps. 12 to 20 N. inclusive and Rs. 10 to 26 W. inclusive. These counties are drained by the Cimarron, North Canadian, Washita and the North Fork of Red River and their tributaries. These streams have carved four nearly parallel valleys from northwest to southeast through the region.

The geologic formations found on the surface of these counties are, in ascending order, Chickasha, Blaine gypsum, Dog Creek shales, Whitehorse sandstone, Day Creek dolomite, Cloud Chief gypsum, Quartermaster, Cretaceous outliers of the Washita group, Tertiary sand, Quaternary gravels, caliche and alluvium.

Structurally, this area lies within the Anadarko Basin, mostly on the north limb, the axis of the basin passing through the southern part. See figure 2, page 30, for this relationship.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Inasmuch as sufficient time was not available for detailed field studies on the part of the writer, special acknowledgment is due those whose data helped to make this report possible. The publications of R. L. Clifton and others have been a very helpful source as well as conversations with individuals working in the area and the representatives of various oil companies. The writer is also indebted to Chas. N. Gould and C. L. Cooper of the Oklahoma Geological Survey for assistance in the preparation of maps and manuscript for this report.

### BLAINE COUNTY

Blaine County is the farthest east of the four counties covered in this report and lies just northwest of the center of the state. It embraces Tps. 13-19 N. inclusive and from R. 10-13 W. inclusive. It contains 26 townships and has an area of 936 square miles.

In population it exceeds 20,000 with a density of more than 20 per square mile. The principal towns are Watonga the county seat, (2,000), Geary (1,500), Homestead (500), Darrow (200), Greenfield (350), Hitchcock (100), Okeene (1,500), Eagle City (400), Southard (400), Canton (1,000), and Longdale (300). All of these towns are on railways. Numerous others shown on old maps have ceased to exist.

Blaine County is served by the Rock Island, Frisco, and Orient Railways. The Orient, now a branch of the Santa Fe passes through the northwest part of the county via Longdale and Canton. The Frisco passes through the northwestern part of the county via Okeene, Darrow, Southard and Eagle City. The main line of the Rock Island passes through the southern part of the county and Geary is a division point. A branch line leaves Geary and passes through the eastern part of the county via Greenfield, Watonga, Hitchcock and Okeene. Here the line divides and one branch goes to Enid and the other to Cherokee.

### TOPOGRAPHY

Blaine County is drained by the Cimarron River and its tributaries in the northeastern section and by the Canadian River in the southwestern part. The highland between these two valleys is drained by the North Canadian River. The northeastern part of the county is a gently sloping plain the westward edge of which ends in the Blaine gypsum escarpment. This escarpment has been badly dissected dendritically by the tributaries of the Cimarron. West of this is a westward sloping plain composed of Quaternary sands and covered with Black Jack oak timber. West of North Canadian River is an eastward sloping plain ending in the bottom of North Canadian valley. It also has been badly dissected in many places by tributaries of the same river. This plain is underlaid by the Whitehorse sandstone. In the southern part of the plain west of Greenfield, dolomite beds produce a prominent escarpment which is known as the Greenfield dolomite.

The southwestern part of the county slopes westward into the valley of the North Canadian. Most of this plain is covered with Quaternary sands on which is growing scrub timber. Along the three major stream courses large quantities of alluvium are found. The Quaternary sand deposits found on the northeast valley wall of the North and South Canadian rivers have been reworked into dune topography. These eolian deposits form an elongate area paralleling the rivers and vary in width from one to six miles, being narrowest in the North Canadian River valley.

## GEOLOGY

### Surface formations

The surface rocks of Blaine County are composed of Chickasha formation, Blaine gypsum, Dog Creek shales, and Whitehorse sandstone, all of which are Permian in age. Within the Whitehorse sandstone some 70 feet above the base in the southern part of the county is the Greenfield dolomite whose resistant character forms an escarpment. Lying unconformably upon these formations are found two areas of Quaternary sands and gravels which lie north of and parallel to the North and South Canadian rivers. A smaller area of this same formation lies northeast of Watonga in Tps. 16 and 17 N., R. 11 W. Still smaller areas are found in various other places in the county. Along the stream courses have been deposited large quantities of alluvium.

### CHICKASHA FORMATION

This formation forms the surface of the northeastern third of the county and has a thickness of approximately 175 feet. It is the oldest Permian formation in the county and lies conformably upon the Duncan sandstone found farther east in Kingfisher County. The Chickasha has been correlated with the Double Mountain of Texas and with the Flower Pot, Cedar Hills, and Salt Plain of Kansas. It is composed of red sandstones, sands, shales and mud stone, all of which seem to be lenticular in character. Some of the sands are distinctly cross-bedded. The basal part of the formation is highly arenaceous and the upper part is highly impregnated with gypsum a large portion of which is probably secondary in origin. Northward the formation increases in thickness, reaching 275 feet in Woods County. Southward it thins to only 90 feet in Comanche County and 160 feet at Rush Springs. At this point it is possible to further subdivide the formation into stratigraphic units. Freie<sup>1</sup> considers the Chickasha related to the Duncan sandstone in origin. The Chickasha is 9 to 28 per cent soluble in acid. The sizes of grains in the Chickasha in Blaine County increase as one progresses south toward the apex of the Anadarko Basin. Chickasha deposition is characterized by lenticular, deltaic and shallow water conditions. The source of these materials is probably from the West (The Ancentral Rocky Mountains?).

### BLAINE GYPSUM

The Blaine gypsum lies unconformably upon the Chickasha formation and is overlain conformably by the Dog Creek shales. It has a thickness of over 75 feet and occurs as a dissected escarpment along the western edge of the plain formed by the Chickasha. This escarpment extends from a point eight miles east of the northwest corner of the

county to the southwest corner of Kingfisher County. The formation was first described by Gould in 1902 and its connotation modified by him in 1905. The type locality of this gypsum is on Salt Creek (Henquet Creek) in the southeast part of T. 18 N., R. 12 W. and in the Roman Nose canyons, secs. 7, 8, 17, and 18, T. 17 N., R. 11 W. Here it is composed of three massive beds of white gypsum separated by red shales. A dolomitic limestone occurs at the base of the two upper members. Both of these are quite fossiliferous and their horizons can be easily traced across the county. The abundance of *Pleurophorous* pelecypods have been described by Beede.<sup>2</sup>

Two excellent collecting grounds for fossils from the above horizons are secs. 3, 11, and 13, T. 15 N., R. 10 E., due west of Okarche of Kingfisher County and the north side of sec. 34, T. 17 N., R. 11 W. just south of the plant of the American Plaster Company. These fossil pelecypods have been observed in the Blaine of other areas in the Anadarko Basin. One place is the NW.¼ sec. 20, T. 7 N., R. 13 W., in a small creek bed, another in the vicinity of Mountain View and a third in the SW.¼ sec. 20, T. 7 N., R. 13 W. Fossiliferous horizons in the Blaine have been reported from Major, Woodward, and Woods counties farther north. Other, but badly preserved forms believed to be brachiopods, cephalopods and ferns are found in these same horizons, Manganese dendrites, "fossil" ice crystal impressions occur in some areas of the dolomite at the base of the middle gypsum member. These three massive gypsums are correlated with the Ferguson, Medicine Lodge, and Shimer of Kansas. These gypsums are thicker and more prominent in the northern part of the county and are mined at Southard and south of Hitchcock and manufactured into a number of products.

The most picturesque exposures of the Blaine gypsum are to be found in the Roman Nose canyons southwest of Bickford. (See plate IVA, page 44). These canyons were formerly the winter campgrounds of the Cheyenne Indians and remains of their sweat houses can still be observed. The son of the old Chief Roman Nose still makes his home here.

The following sections of the Blaine formation will illustrate its character in the outcrop.

1. Freie, A. J., Sedimentation in the Anadarko Basin: Oklahoma Geol. Survey Bull. 48, p. 43, 1930.

2. Beede, J. W., Invertebrate paleontology of the red beds: Adv. Bull. 1st Bien. Rept., Geol. Survey Oklahoma, 1902.

*Glass Mountain Section on the Northwest Side of the Mountain*  
(After Gould<sup>3</sup>)

	Feet
11. Massive, white gypsum (Shimer) .....	13
10. Fossiliferous dolomite .....	1
9. Red clay .....	15
8. Massive, white gypsum (Medicine Lodge) .....	18
7. Greenish clay .....	4
6. Red clay .....	8
5. Gypsum concretions and satin spar .....	1
4. Red clay .....	3
3. Bluish dolomite rock, hard .....	2/3
2. Red clay .....	4
1. Gypsiferous rock, satin spar .....	4

*Section near Watonga, Sec. 32, T. 16 N., R. 10 W.*  
(After Suffel<sup>4</sup>)

	Feet
7. Massive, white gypsum (Shimer) .....	4
6. Gray, sandy dolomite .....	2
5. Red clay with conspicuous green bands near the top .....	41
4. Massive, white gypsum (Medicine Lodge) .....	10
3. Grayish, sandy dolomite .....	1
2. Red clay .....	13
1. Massive, white gypsum (Ferguson) .....	3

*Section in NW 1/4, Sec. 29, T. 15 N., R. 9 W.*  
(After Snider<sup>5</sup>)

	Feet
6. Medicine Lodge gypsum, pink, top eroded .....	4
5. Sandy, white dolomite .....	2
4. Covered, probably shale .....	16
3. Gypsum, with satin spar immediately underneath .....	2
2. Covered, probably shale .....	16
1. Ferguson gypsum .....	5

*Section in NW 1/4, Sec. 11, T. 18 N., R. 12 W.,*  
*One Mile East of Southard.*  
(After Suffel<sup>4</sup>)

	Feet
11. Anhydrite, at top of hill .....	about 4
10. Gypsum, white, massive .....	5
9. Greenish grey sandstone .....	1/2
8. Red shale with green bands .....	9
7. Red and green shale with satin spar and green selenite bands .....	11
6. Ferguson gypsum, mottled .....	7
5. Greenish dolomitic sandstone .....	1/2
4. Red and green shale .....	8
3. Green selenite in clay, satin spar .....	1 1/2
2. Red shale with thin bands of satin spar .....	7
1. Red and green shale with selenite .....	30

3. Gould, Chas. N., Geology and water resources of Oklahoma: U. S. Geol. Survey, Water-Supply Paper 148, p. 61, 1905.  
4. Suffel, G. G., Dolomites of western Oklahoma: Oklahoma Geol. Survey Bull. 49, p. 72, 1930.  
5. Snider, L. C., Gypsum and salt of Oklahoma: Oklahoma Geol. Survey Bull. 11, p. 174, 1913.  
6. Suffel, G. G., op. cit., p. 74.

*Section from south Canyon, Head of Salt Creek, West of Ferguson.*  
(After Gould<sup>3</sup>)

	Feet
11. Red clay .....	about 40
10. Dolomite .....	about 1
9. Red clay .....	about 30
8. Dolomite .....	about 2
7. Red clay .....	about 25
6. Massive, white gypsum (Shimer) .....	15
5. Soft, sandy dolomite .....	1
4. Red, gypsiferous clay .....	27
3. Massive, white gypsum (Medicine Lodge) .....	17
2. Red clay with bands of selenite .....	25
1. Pinkish, mottled gypsum (Ferguson) .....	4

*Section along the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway, Four Miles South of Hitchcock.*  
(After Suffel<sup>4</sup>)

	Feet
8. Massive, white gypsum, the Shimer .....	8
7. Gray, dolomitic sandstone .....	1
6. Red clay .....	45
5. White, massive gypsum, the Medicine Lodge .....	12
4. Gray, dolomitic sandstone .....	2
3. Red clay shales with greenish bands .....	17
2. Massive, white gypsum, the Ferguson .....	3
1. Red clay shales with bands of gypsum .....	90

*Section in the NE 1/4 Sec. 25, T. 21 N., R. 13 W.*  
(After Suffel<sup>4</sup>)

	Ft.	in.
14. Massive gypsum (Ferguson) .....	6	.....
13. Dolomite .....	25-30	3-4
12. Red, earth, gypsiferous shales .....	.....	.....
11. Blue-gray dolomite .....	.....	5
10. Blue and gray shale .....	9	.....
9. Hard gray dolomitic sandstone, probably local .....	.....	3-10
8. Greenish gypsiferous shale .....	.....	16
7. Gypsum .....	.....	6-8
6. Shale .....	9	.....
5. Green, shaly gypsum .....	.....	4
4. Shale .....	3	.....
3. Gypsum .....	.....	6
2. Soft shale .....	8	.....
1. Gypsiferous shale with harder greenish capping... Unmeasured, bluish-green shale with thin beds of gypsum	5	.....

*Cedar Hill Section in SW 1/4, Sec. 18, T. 16 N., R. 10 W.*  
(After Suffel)

	Feet
6. Massive, white gypsum (Shimer) .....	12
5. Fossiliferous, sandy dolomite .....	2
4. Red clay with selenite bands .....	18
3. Massive, white gypsum (Medicine Lodge) .....	3
2. Red clay with seams of selenite .....	17
1. Massive, pinkish to white gypsum (Ferguson) .....	5

7. Gould, Chas. N., op. cit., p. 51.  
8. Suffel, G. G., op. cit., p. 74.  
9. Suffel, G. G., op. cit., p. 76.

*General Section of the Blaine, applying to the District lying a few Miles NE. of Watonga.*

(After G. D. Putnam<sup>10</sup>)

	Ft.	in.
10. Thin, hard dolomite .....	2-5	
9. (Concealed) .....	40	
8. Massive gypsum (Shimer) .....	10-15	
7. Fossiliferous dolomite .....	8-18	
6. (Concealed) .....	about 60	
5. Pure gypsum (Medicine Lodge) .....	8-10	
4. Fairly hard, slightly sandy dolomite .....	18	
3. (Concealed) .....	6-10	
2. Gray gypsum (Ferguson) .....	2-4	
1. (Concealed) .....	60-80	
Base of Blaine formation.		

*Section in NE. 1/4, Sec. 14, T. 15 N., R. 10 W., Two Miles West of Altona.*

(After Suffel)

	Feet
7. Medicine Lodge gypsum, top removed by erosion .....	3
6. White dolomitic sandstone .....	2
5. Red and green shales .....	16
4. Gypsum, anhydrite, white satin spar beneath .....	3
3. Red and green shale .....	18
2. Ferguson gypsum, selenitic .....	3
1. Red and green shale .....	21

The following section of the Blaine formation was taken at the type locality in sec. 23, T. 18 N., R. 12 W., near the head of Salt Creek.<sup>11</sup>

	Ft.	in.
10. Bed of pure white gypsum .....	20	0
9. Dolomite containing pelecypods .....	8	
8. Red and gray gypsiferous shale .....	25	0
7. Bed of massive white gypsum .....	10	0
6. Red and gray gypsiferous shale .....	20	0
5. Massive bed of gypsum and shale .....	10	1
4. Gray, sandy dolomite with pelecypods .....	8	
3. Gray, sandy shale .....	2	0
2. Red shale with streaks of gypsum .....	140	0
1. Very small exposure of gray gypsiferous, sandy shale that looks somewhat like the Chickasha at the head of the basin .....	2	0

Freie reports the basal member in this section as 30 per cent soluble in acid while the other beds are 26 per cent soluble. The shape of the grains is dominantly angular (75 to 90 per cent). Quartz is the most abundant light material and feldspar is practically absent. The Blaine of this county falls into the clay detrital grade. The source of the Blaine was in the West (Ancestral Rockies?). This has not been satisfactorily determined.

10. Putnam, G. D., quoted by Suffel, G. G., op. cit., p. 76.

11. Freie, A. J., op. cit., p. 76.

DOG CREEK SHALES

The Dog Creek shales occur stratigraphically above and conformably with the Blaine gypsum. The outcrop is a long, narrow band just west of the Blaine escarpment extending from the northwest corner to the extreme southeast corner of the county and lies just north of the North Canadian River. The formation was first observed by Cragin in 1896 at its type locality on Dog Creek in western Barber County, Kansas. The Dog Creek shales consist of from 30 to 400 feet of red clay and shale impregnated with gypsum and dolomite. In Blaine County the thickness approximates 400 feet. In Woodward County to the north they thin to 235 feet while in Caddo and Grady counties to the south Becker reports a thickness of from 90 to 115 feet. In Beckham County to the west they compose 90 feet of the section. Wells drilled in Kiowa County log 400 feet. Good surface exposures of Dog Creek shales are found just northeast of Watonga on the highway to Okeene just above the Blaine escarpment in secs. 32, 33, T. 17 N., R. 11 W. A good exposure with Whitehorse in contact is found in sec. 25, T. 13 N., R. 10 W. It is correlated with the Double Mountain of Texas.

The physical character of the Dog Creek seems variable but the brilliant coloration is unchanged. The Dog Creek is conformable upon the Blaine and is overlain unconformably by the Whitehorse sandstone. The following sections taken in sec. 25, T. 13 N., R. 10 W., by Freie<sup>12</sup> shows the Dog Creek in contact with the Blaine below and the Whitehorse above.

WHITEHORSE	Feet
6. Thinly bedded red shaly fine sandstone .....	11
5. Shaly red sandstone beds 4 in. thick and some dolomite .....	3
DOG CREEK	
4. Shaly sandstones interbedded with 1/2 in. layers of coarser sands .....	5
3. Ledge of massive shaly sandstone, bedding obscure .....	4
2. Resistant shaly massive sandstone beds .....	10
1. Shaly fine red sandstone in massive beds .....	15
WHITEHORSE	Feet
5. Fine light-red sandstone .....	2
4. Thinly bedded fine red sandstone containing flakes of gypsum and dolomite .....	2
DOG CREEK	
3. Hard gypsiferous shaly fine sandstone .....	2
2. Red gypsiferous shaly sandstone containing specks of blue-gray shale .....	3
1. Fine red shaly siltstone .....	3

Freie reports samples from this area as 4 to 8 per cent soluble in acid with angular fragments composing 70 to 80 per cent subangular 15 to 25 per cent and round and sub-round less than 5 per cent. Quartz is the most abundant light mineral and feldspar is rare or absent. Lack

12. Freie, A. J., op. cit., pp. 55 and 57.

of sorting, high per cent of soluble material and brilliant coloration are definite characteristics of the entire Dog Creek section.

Freie believes that heavy mineral analyses show insufficient evidence for an unconformity separating the Dog Creek from the overlying Whitehorse.

The source of the Dog Creek shales is to the West (Ancestral Rockies?). In the extreme western part of the area covered by this report the Dog Creek is a shallow marine deposit and to the southeast it is a terrestrial deposit. Throughout Blaine County the Dog Creek has a sparse covering of scrub timber and underbrush.

#### WHITEHORSE SANDSTONE

The Whitehorse sandstone is the youngest Permian formation in Blaine County. It is found throughout the area south and west of the North Canadian River excepting where covered by Tertiary or Quaternary eolian sand and Recent alluvium. It was first described by Cragin in 1896 as the Red Bluff sandstone, since its type locality is at Red Bluff on Bluff Creek northwest of Protection, Kansas. In 1905 the formation name was changed at the suggestion of Gould to that of Whitehorse sandstone. The type locality in Oklahoma is Whitehorse Springs in Woods County. The following section made there by Clifton<sup>13</sup> is as follows:

DAY CREEK	Feet
7. Dolomite .....	2
WHITEHORSE	
6. Fine sandstone, poorly cemented .....	40
5. Highly cemented sandstone .....	10
4. Fine sandstone, sands, and sandy shales .....	100
3. Indurated sandstone, thin bed .....	5
2. Sandstones, sands and sandy shales .....	125
~~~~~ Unconformity ~~~~~	
DOG CREEK	
1. Shales .....	

This sandstone is correlated with a part of the Double Mountain of Texas. It is one of the most persistent and easily recognized formations of the Permian and is continuously traceable from Protection, Kansas, southward into Oklahoma, around the east end and along the southern flank of the Anadarko Basin; around the western end of the Wichita Uplift and southwestward into Texas as far as Fisher County. Fossils occur in the Whitehorse in numerous localities. Gould's collection from Whitehorse Springs, Okla., and Dosier Mounds, Texas, have been described by Beede<sup>14</sup> as, "marine brachiopods, pelecypods and gastropods."

The unconformity which separates the Dog Creek from the Whitehorse is discontinuous and limited to the border areas of the Dog Creek

13. Clifton, R. L., Unpublished thesis, Univ. of Oklahoma, Norman.

14. Beede, J. W., Invertebrate paleontology of the upper Permian red beds of Oklahoma and the panhandle of Texas: Kansas Univ. Sci. Bull. 4, pp. 113-171, 1907.

deposition. This condition seems best developed near Wild Cat Mounds in Woods County where Clifton describes the complete removal of Dog Creek and Blaine formations prior to Whitehorse times. In Blaine County disconformities exist and there is a marked increase in coarseness of materials composing the basal Whitehorse where it can be observed in contact with the Dog Creek. The average thickness of the Whitehorse is 200 feet but in Custer, Blaine and Washita counties greater thicknesses are reported. Logs have indicated 425 feet. The Marland Oil Company well in sec. 8., T. 3, N., R. 7 W., logs 212 feet of Whitehorse.

The upper portion of the Whitehorse is composed of highly cross-bedded sands. The lower portion is composed of more nearly continuous massive lenses of sandstone separated by lenticular shales and dolomites. The latter can be observed about 70 feet above the base of the Whitehorse in the vicinity of Geary and Greenfield. They produce escarpments and are known as the Greenfield dolomite. At the top of the Whitehorse and farther west in Dewey and Custer counties the Day Creek dolomite is found. By some geologists this is considered as a distinct formation and by others as a member of the Whitehorse while still others consider it basal Cloud Chief. The upper cross-bedded portion of the Whitehorse is probably wholly, or at least partly, of eolian origin. Some, however, consider it to be an estuarine subaerial delta. More detailed studies will reveal the exact origin. The lower portion is, in all probability, deltaic in origin. The following section of lower Whitehorse was taken west of Greenfield.<sup>15</sup>

#### General Section near Greenfield, Blaine County.

Whitehorse sandstone .....	Feet
Greenfield dolomite .....	350
Sandstone .....	?
Sandstone .....	27
"Twin dolomites" separated by 7 feet of sandstone.....	?
Sandstone .....	110-130
Thin white sandstone seam .....	?
Dog Creek shales .....	185

Freie reports the Whitehorse from 18 to 30 per cent soluble in acid. From 80 to 85 per cent of the grains are angular and less than 20 per cent distributed among other shapes. Among the light minerals quartz is the most abundant constituent with feldspar rare or entirely absent.

The Whitehorse of this area was derived from some western source (Ancestral Rockies?). To the southeast in the head of the Anadarko Basin the source seems to have been from the east or southeast, perhaps the Arbuckle Mountains.

#### QUATERNARY SAND AND GRAVELS

There are three major occurrences of these deposits. The first occurs as a strip approximately six miles wide which parallels the north

15. Suffel, G. G., Dolomites of western Oklahoma: Oklahoma Geol. Survey Bull. 49, p. 192, 1930.



side of the South Canadian River. It continues from the southwest part of the county to the northwest in the vicinity of Taloga and Dewey County. The second area lies on top of the divide between the North Canadian and Cimarron River valleys and is a band from two to five miles wide extending across the county from northwest to southeast. This particular deposit of gravel is the reservoir for numerous springs at the headquarters of the tributaries of the Cimarron River. Other deposits occur in other parts of the county the most important being northeast of Watonga lying unconformably upon the Whitehorse, Dog Creek, Blaine, and Chickasha formations. These deposits are usually covered with scrub oak.

Along the major drainage lines extensive alluvial deposits occur, A large amount of this material has been blown from the river bottoms to the uplands on the northeast side of the streams which has resulted in the formation of extensive eolian deposits.

#### Subsurface geology

Little is known in detail concerning the subsurface formations of Blaine County because few wells have been drilled through the underlying Permian. It is reasonable to suppose that a part or all of the formations outcropping to the eastward underlie this area. In descending order these should be Duncan sandstone, Hennessey shale, Garber sandstone, Wellington shale, and Stillwater formation of the Permian, below which should occur Pennsylvanian, Mississippian, Devonian, Silurian, and Ordovician series.

A study of the following well logs reveals the general subsurface character of the rocks underlying this county and that region directly south.

*Log of W. H. Pringey, Barnett No. 1 well, SW.¼ SW.¼ SW.¼ sec. 23, T. 15 N., R. 11 W., Blaine County.*

(Elevation 1,452)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Surface formation	0	14	Red bed	1790	2089
Quick sand & water	14	50	Blue shale	2089	2095
Red bed	50	80	Red bed	2095	2110
Lime shell	80	90	Blue shale & shells	2110	2140
Red bed	90	120	Brown shale	2140	2190
Lime shell	120	130	Gray shale	2190	2200
Red bed	130	160	Pink shale	2200	2220
Lime shell	160	170	Gray shale	2220	2450
Red bed—wtr 1 blr			Gray—shelly	2450	2515
per hr.	170	400	Lime	2515	2520
Red bed	400	780	Grey shale—shelly	2520	2630
Sand—1 blr. wtr. per hr.	780	790	Lime	2630	2635
Red bed	790	1772	Gray shale & shells	2635	2660
Sand—3 blrs. wtr.			Lime	2660	2666
per hr.	1772	1790	Gray shale	2666	2682

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Lime	2682	2688	Lime	3106	3180
Gray shale	2688	2716	Shale	3180	3185
Lime	2716	2718	Lime	3185	3195
Lime	2775	2787	Shale	3195	3200
Gray shale	2787	2789	Lime	3200	3208
Lime	2789	2797	Shale	3208	3218
Gray shale	2797	2803	Lime	3218	3222
Lime	2803	2808	Shale	3222	3225
Gray shale	2808	2826	Lime	3225	3229
Lime	2826	2837	Shale	3229	3231
Lime	2837	2840	Lime	3231	3263
Shale	2840	2853	Gray shale	3263	3274
Lime	2853	2855	Lime	3274	3295
Shale	2855	2861	Gray shale	3295	3315
Lime	2861	2865	Lime	3315	3323
Shale	2865	2878	Gray shale	3323	3326
Lime	2878	2894	Lime	3326	3333
Shale	2894	2900	Gray shale	3333	3426
Shale	2900	2925	Gray shale	3426	3435
Lime	2925	2930	Lime	3435	3470
Shale	2930	2947	Pink shale	3470	3495
Lime	2947	2951	Lime	3495	3542
Brown shale	2951	2965	Shale & shells	3542	3562
Lime	2965	2966	Lime	3562	3579
Shale	2966	2994	Gray shale	3579	3588
Lime	2994	3008	Lime	3588	3645
Shale	3008	3026	Pink shale	3645	3651
Lime	3026	3040	Lime	3651	3654
Dark shale	3040	3056	Pink shale	3654	3657
Lime	3056	3090	Lime	3657	3680
Shale	3090	3096	Brown shale	3680	3705
Lime	3096	3102	Total depth		3705
Shale	3102	3106			

*Log of E. H. Morgan, Chronister No. 1 well, NW.¼ NW.¼ NE.¼ sec. 7, T. 18 N., R. 10 W., Blaine County.*

(Elevation 1,196)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Commencing at 1490' where E. H. Morgan took charge of the well the log runs as follows, to wit: Started by Cozart Oil Co. No record kept.			White slate	1715	1735
<b>Formation</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Bottom</b>	Blue shale	1735	1800
Blue shale	1490	1515	Lime	1800	1805
Gray lime	1515	1520	Blue shale	1805	1875
Red rock	1520	1540	Blue shale—dark	1875	1890
Lime shell	1540	1550	Blue shale—light	1890	2040
Blue shale	1550	1580	Blue	2040	2060
Red beds	1580	1615	Blue shale	2060	2095
Gray lime	1615	1645	Lime	2095	2100
Blue shale	1645	1660	Blue shale	2100	2110
Lime shell	1660	1675	Blue shale—dark	2110	2148
Brown shale—soft	1675	1705	Lime	2148	2158
Broken lime	1705	1715	Slate, dark	2158	2195
			Blue shale	2195	2215
			Lime	2215	2225

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Formation	Top	Bottom
Blue shale	2225	2233
Lime shell	2233	2235
White slate	2235	2270
Lime	2270	2275
Blue shale	2275	2280
Lime	2280	2283
Shale	2283	2290
Lime	2290	2310
White slate	2310	2355
Broken lime	2355	2515
Lime, hard	2515	2560
Broken lime & shale	2560	2635
Blue shale	2635	2660
Lime	2660	2670
Blue shale	2670	2710
Lime	2710	2755
Shale	2755	2865
Red rock	2865	2880
Gray lime	2880	2890
Blue shale	2890	2910
Red beds	2910	2925
Broken lime	2925	2950
Broken lime	3135	3138
Dark slate	3138	3165
Brown shale	3165	3185
Lime shell	3185	3188
Brown shale	3188	3196
Lime shell	3196	3200
Brown shale	3200	3220
Lime	3220	3228
Gray shale	3228	3238
Lime	3238	3269
Red rock	3269	3300
Black slate	3300	3310
Red rock	3310	3340
Gray shale	3340	3355

Formation	Top	Bottom
Red rock	3355	3365
Black slate	3365	3370
Water sand (hole full)	3370	3395
Black slate	3395	3400
Red rock	3400	3405
Gray shale (sharp)	3405	3430
Sandy shale	3430	3433
Blue slate	3433	3436
Lime	3436	3445
Red rock	3445	3452
Lime, hard	3452	3468
Broken lime	3468	3475
Water sand	3475	3480
Lime, hard	3480	3540
Dark shale	3540	3585
Red rock	3585	3590
Shale	3590	3610
Lime	3610	3615
Shale	3615	3625
Red rock	3625	3640
Sand	3640	3646
Shale	3646	3666
Lime, shell, hard	3666	3670
Blue shale	3670	3685
Lime shell	3685	3690
Blue shale	3690	3695
Lime shell	3695	3700
Blue shale	3700	3715
Lime, hard	3715	3725
Blue shale	3725	3760
Lime shell	3760	3765
Blue shale	3765	3790
Red rock	3790	3795
Blue shale	3795	3805
Lime hard	3805	3810
Total depth	3810	

Formation	Top	Bottom
Lime rock	778	789
Gumbo & gravel	789	800
Lime rock	800	806
Shale, clay & gravel	806	823
Blue & red gumbo	823	878
gumbo	878	940
Gumbo	940	946
Blue & brown hard shale	946	965
Gumbo & gravel	965	980
Gumbo & shale	980	1025
Shale & gravel	1025	1045
Sandy shale, blue brown	1045	1083
Gumbo	1083	1090
Shale & gumbo	1090	1120
Sandy shale	1120	1170
Shale & gumbo	1170	1190
Gumbo	1190	1210
Sticky shale, blue-red	1210	1240
Gumbo	1240	1250
Shells & shale	1250	1258
Gumbo & shale	1258	1280
Red rock & gumbo	1280	1315
Lime, sand & gumbo	1315	1345
Sand, salt & shale	1345	1365
Shale & gumbo	1365	1370
Shale & gumbo	1370	1390
Sandy shale, blue & brown	1390	1415
Lime & gyp & gumbo	1415	1450
Hard shale & gumbo	1450	1466
Sand broken formation	1466	1483
Gumbo & shale	1483	1510
Sandy lime (broken)	1510	1520
Gumbo	1520	1535
Gumbo	1535	1540
Sandy lime	1540	1544
Gumbo, tough	1544	1551
Gumbo & gyp, tough	1551	1565
Hard shale	1565	1585
Blue & brown		
Gumbo	1585	1607
Gumbo	1607	1630
Shale	1630	1645
Hard & brown		
Gumbo	1645	1655
Sandy hard shale	1655	1665
Hard shale & gumbo	1665	1715
Sandy shale	1715	1722
Shale & gumbo	1722	1745
Red sand	1745	1749
Shale gumbo, boulders	1749	1790
Water sand	1790	1794
Shale & gumbo	1794	1810
Gumbo	1810	1830
Sandy shale & gumbo	1830	1837
Gumbo	1837	1850

Formation	Top	Bottom
Shale & gumbo	1850	1853
Gumbo gyp & lime	1853	1885
Hard shale	1885	1915
Sand, gumbo-lime	1915	1925
Lime, gyp & gumbo	1925	1965
Shale & gumbo	1965	1995
Gumbo	1995	2132
Shale & gumbo	2132	2170
Shale & boulders	2170	2198
Sandy shale	2198	2250
Gumbo	2250	2269
Gumbo & shale	2269	2295
Lime gyp & gumbo	2295	2312
Gumbo	2312	2352
Shale	2352	2364
Shale	2364	2385
Gumbo	2385	2410
Brown gumbo	2410	2440
Brown sticky shale	2440	2475
Gumbo & boulders	2475	2488
Gumbo	2488	2515
Blue & brown shale	2515	2551
Brown shale	2551	2560
Gumbo	2560	2575
Blue & brown shale	2575	2588
Sandy lime soft	2588	2600
Gumbo & boulders	2600	2626
Brown shale	2626	2645
Gumbo	2645	2690
Brown shale	2690	2710
Blue & brown shale	2710	2737
Gumbo & gyp	2737	2750
Shale & gumbo	2750	2775
Gumbo	2775	2790
Hard lime	2790	2793
Sandy lime & slate	2793	2827
Gumbo	2827	2835
Lime	2835	2838
Blue shale	2838	2846
Lime	2846	2848
Blue sandy shale	2848	2860
Gumbo	2860	2874
Lime rock	2874	2878
Blue shale	2878	2881
Lime rock	2881	2883
Blue shale	2883	2886
Lime	2886	2895
Blue shale	2895	2901
Lime	2901	2903
Blue shale	2903	2910
Lime	2910	2913
Blue shale	2913	2924
Lime	2924	2928
Blue shale	2928	2935
Gumbo & lime	2935	2940
Blue shale	2940	2944
Gumbo	2944	2950

Birmingham and Keley, West No. 1 well, SW 1/4 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 sec. 8  
T. 11 N., R. 12 W., Caddo County.

(Elevation 1,728)

Formation	Top	Bottom
Red sand clay	0	84
Red sand rock	84	305
Red sand rock	305	355
Sand gravel	355	362
Hard sand	362	375
Quick sand	375	385
Hard sand	385	395
Sand rock	395	410
Hard sand & sand rock	410	421
Hard sand	421	440
Red clay	440	450
Broken sand	450	465
Red shale	465	530

Formation	Top	Bottom
Clay	530	538
Red shale	538	590
Sticky clay	590	595
Red shale	595	670
Lime rock	670	674
Gyp rock	674	680
Broken sand & clay	680	693
Lime shell	693	696
Red shale	696	720
Lime shell	720	724
Sandy red shale	724	733
Lime rock hard	733	738
Sandy shale	738	778

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Slate	2950	2953	Blue slate	3172	3180
Gumbo blue	2953	2963	Shale & gumbo	3180	3196
Hard shell	2963	2966	Slate	3196	3202
Sticky blue shale	2966	2974	Shale & gumbo	3202	3215
Blue gumbo	2974	2979	Sticky shale	3215	3224
Sandy lime	2979	2982	Sand shale lime	3224	3234
Gumbo slate	2982	2987	Shale & gumbo	3234	3251
Shale gumbo lime	2987	2998	Sand lime & shale	3251	3264
Broken lime	2998	3008	Sandy lime	3264	3267
Sand	3008	3010	Shale lime, slate	3267	3284
Shale gumbo	3010	3019	Hard sand	3284	3289
Lime rock	3019	3023	Shale & lime	3289	3298
Hard shale	2023	3026	Hard lime	3298	3302
Gumbo	3026	3032	Shale	3302	3310
Lime gumbo, shale	3032	3041	Lime shell	3310	3312
Hard shale	3041	3050	Gumbo & lime	3312	3325
Lime rock	3050	3051	Shale sticky	3325	3334
Lime & gumbo	3051	3063	Blue gumbo	3334	3339
Lime rock	3063	3064	Gumbo shale	3339	3349
Blue shale	3064	3067	Lime & slate	3349	3355
Slate rock	3067	3073	Shale slate	3355	3365
Blue gumbo	3073	3080	Gumbo slate	3365	3375
Slate	3080	3093	Slate & boulders	3375	3381
Shale slate	3093	3100	Lime & slate	3381	3390
Shale & lime	3100	3105	Sandy lime shale	3390	3393
Sandy lime	3105	3112	Shale & gumbo	3393	3401
Blue gumbo	3112	3115	Gumbo	3401	3406
Shale & lime	3115	3123	Sticky shale	3406	3416
Shale	3123	3131	Shale hard	3416	3425
Lime	3131	3132	Slate	3425	3427
Shale lime	3132	3146	Shale lime	3427	3437
Gumbo lime	3146	3152	Gumbo blue	3437	3450
Gumbo	3152	3160	Shale blue	3450	3463
Slate	3160	3161	Shale	3463	3466
Lime	3161	3167	Lime	3466	3467
Shale & slate	3167	3172	Shale & gumbo	3467	3508

#### Structural geology

Blaine County lies on the northeast limb of the Anadarko Basin. The strike of the formations is northwest-southeast. The regional dip is southwest in the southern part of the county and west in the northwestern part of the county. Plate I shows the general surface relationships of the rocks of this county. Plate II shows the general subsurface relationships. A number of irregularities were noted in various parts of the county but time did not permit detailing these. One of these is in the vicinity of secs. 8, 9, 16, and 17, T. 15 N., R. 10 W. Another is in the southwestern portion of T. 15 N., R. 11 W. in the vicinity of Greenfield, and a third is in the southeast portion of T. 15 N., R. 12 W. Still another is in secs. 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 T. 15 N., R. 12 W. Test wells have been drilled on each of these irregularities but none were drilled sufficiently deep to encounter known pro-

ducing horizons. To reach such horizons, wells would need to be drilled to a depth of 8,000-10,000 feet unless there are structural and topographic highs in Paleozoic rocks of that area. Such probabilities are unknown to date.

#### DEVELOPMENT

The table on page 52 gives a list of the wells that have been or are being drilled in this area.

#### DEWEY COUNTY

Dewey County is the northernmost of the two central counties of the area covered in this report. It lies directly west of Blaine County, south of Major and Woodward, east of Ellis and Roger Mills and north of Custer. It is a rectangle of 24 by 42 miles and extends from Tps. 16 to 19 N., inclusive and from Rs. 14 to 20 W., inclusive. Along the northern boundary of the county is a long, narrow irregular strip of land marking the fractional area between the Cherokee strip and this county. The county covers approximately 1,008 square miles. A branch line of the Frisco from Enid to Clinton crosses the extreme southeastern part of the county. The Orient also serves this portion of the county via Oakwood and Nobscot. The Wichita Falls and Northwestern passes through the extreme western tier of townships entering the county at Vici, crossing the South Canadian River at Camargo and continuing south toward Elk City in Beckham County through Trail and Leedey. The county seat Taloga has no rail connection.

The population of the county is approximately 20,000 which is an average of 20 per square mile. The principal towns are Taloga (800), Leedey (200), Tray (150), Camargo (300), Vici (1,500), Oakwood (200) and Seiling (400). In addition to these there are numerous trading posts and postoffices such as Cestos, Lenora, Webb, Oakley, Rhea, Aledo, Putnam, and Fay.

#### TOPOGRAPHY

Dewey County lies in the Gypsum Hills and High Plains provinces. It is drained by the North Canadian River and its tributaries in the northeastern part. The central and eastern portion is drained by South Canadian and the extreme southern and southwestern part by the tributaries of Washita River. The eastern part of the county is a rolling plain covered partially with black jack timber. The northwestern part is a fairly level plain composed of Quaternary gravel. This is an eastward extension of the High Plains province. That part of the county along the South Canadian River is very rough and broken. The North and South Canadian rivers have been superimposed upon the present land surface by the removal of the once overlying Tertiary and Quaternary gravels.

## GEOLOGY

### Surface formations

The surface formations of this county are composed of Whitehorse sandstone, Day Creek dolomite, Cloud Chief gypsum and Quartermaster sandstone of Permian age and numerous scattered erosional remnants of Cretaceous oyster beds and Quaternary gravel, alluvium, and eolian deposits. Quaternary gravel is found in the eastern part of the county as a band some six to eight miles wide paralleling the north bank of the South Canadian River; in the northeastern part of the county north of North Canadian River; in the southwestern part north of Leedey and south of the South Canadian and in the northwestern part extending from Vici to the vicinity of Webb. Recent alluvial deposits are found along the main stream valleys.

### WHITEHORSE SANDSTONE

The Whitehorse sandstone occurs as a wide band from northwest to southeast through the eastern third of the county. The character of this Whitehorse is the same as that previously described under Blaine County. Directly above the Whitehorse sandstone and perhaps a part of it, occurs the Day Creek dolomite. This was first described by Cragin in 1896 at its type locality along Day Creek in Clark County, Kansas. It varies in thickness from one to five feet and is continuously traceable from Clark County, Kansas, southward into Oklahoma around the Anadarko Basin. It forms conspicuous buttes in northwestern Oklahoma in Woods county and in the northern part of Dewey County. After crossing the river west of Taloga in Dewey County, it continues southwestward to the vicinity of Weatherford as a low escarpment. In the western portion of Blaine County near Eagle City some buttes occur one of which has three or four dolomites. One of these has been correlated with the Day Creek of Custer County which in turn has been correlated with the Double Mountain of Texas. Some consider all of these as Cloud Chief gypsum.

### CLOUD CHIEF GYPSUM

The Cloud Chief forms the surface of approximately one-third of Dewey County and it lies geographically west of and stratigraphically on the Day Creek dolomite. North of the South Canadian River it forms a band about five miles in width around the Quaternary gravel deposits which lie unconformably upon it. South of the South Canadian it covers most of the surface area west of Tps. 16 and 17 N., R. 16 W. A long finger-like projection of this same area extends northward between Leedey and the river and disappears beneath the Quaternary gravel only to reappear along the South Canadian River valley in northeastern Roger Mills County. Numerous names have been applied to this formation but Gould's nomenclature of 1924 has been accepted as the authentic name. The thickness varies up to 1,500 feet and

its outcrops are traceable from their type locality in Kansas south through Oklahoma and on to the northwestern part of Texas below the Panhandle. The type locality in Oklahoma for the Cloud Chief gypsum is at Cloud Chief in eastern Washita County. It appears as heavy gypsum ledges interbedded with shale all of which are lenticular. The red shales are impregnated with gypsum and satinspar occurs in joints and along the bedding plains.

The Cloud Chief lies unconformably upon the Whitehorse sandstone and is also unconformable below the Quartermaster formation. The character of this unconformity will be discussed under "Custer County."

### QUARTERMASTER FORMATION

The Quartermaster formation outcrops in the southwestern portion of the county in the vicinity of Leedey a few miles north of its type locality along Quartermaster Creek in Roger Mills County. It lies unconformably upon the Cloud Chief gypsum and consists of red shale, compacted muds, sandstone, dolomite, and lentils of gypsum. The whole formation is impregnated with gypsum and one of the outstanding characteristics is the white, sandy streaks imbedded in the shale and sandstone. Irregular erratic dips and cross-bedding further characterize it. The thickness varies from 150 to 300 feet in most places yet some well logs have recorded as little as 60 feet. The formation was first named by Gould in 1902 and is the youngest Permian formation exposed in Oklahoma unless some of the red beds of the Panhandle now referred to the Triassic prove later to be Permian. The three following sections taken farther south show the essential characteristics of the formation.

*Section 6 miles southwest of Elk City in Headwaters  
of Elk Creek, northwest Beckham County  
(After Freie<sup>16</sup>)*

	Ft.	in.
7. Ledge of very fine shaly, red-gray sandstone, bedding 1-6 inches .....	4	6
6. Red sandy shale thinly bedded .....	11	0
5. Gray-red shaly sandstone thinly bedded .....	2	0
4. Red sandy shale thinly bedded (Bed of gray shale separates beds 4 and 5) .....	8	0
3. Red shale thinly bedded .....	12	0
2. Gray and red sandy shale alternating 3-inch beds .....	1	6
1. Yellowish-red shaly sandstone .....	4	0

*Section three miles east of Clinton, Custer County, Oklahoma  
(After Freie)*

	Feet
3. Red, shaly, uniformly and horizontally bedded very fine sandstone .....	60
2. Red, shaly, horizontally bedded very fine sandstone.....	75
1. Red, hard, firmly cemented massive beds of shaly siltstone .....	50

<sup>16</sup> Freie, A. J., *op. cit.*, pp. 66, 67, and 69.

Section in southern Washita County three miles east of  
No. 41 Gin  
(After Freie)

	Ft.	in.
6. Red cross-bedded sandstone .....	10	0
5. Red irregularly cross-bedded sandstone containing streaks of coarse sand .....	5	6
4. Gray sandy shale horizontally bedded .....		1
3. Fine red sandy shale .....	10	0
2. Red finely cross-bedded shale .....	4	0
1. Red gypsiferous sandy shale with the gray sandy streaks characteristic of the Quartermaster .....	5	0

Freie described the Quartermaster as being about 20 per cent soluble in acid. Of the relatively large proportion of light minerals, quartz and feldspar are the chief constituents. The heavy mineral content of Quartermaster is quite variable. Detailed study seems to indicate that the source of the material in the Quartermaster came from the west (Ancentral Rockies?).

#### CRETACEOUS FORMATIONS

Erosional remnants of Cretaceous occur in three general areas of this county. One is in the vicinity of Seiling and Cestos in the north central part and south of the North Canadian River. A second occurs between Webb and Lenora in the west central part of the county and north of the South Canadian while the third makes its appearance along the southern border of the county. Some of the remnants along the South Canadian River north of Rhea and Aledo suggest that this river valley is pre-Cretaceous in age.

The following is a section of the lower Cretaceous outlier in the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 17, T. 19 N., R. 17 W., about two miles east of Cestos, Oklahoma, taken by Bullard.<sup>17</sup> This shows the physical and paleontologic character of the Cretaceous rocks of this area.

(This exposure occurs along the north bank of a small creek where the material has slumped into the stream valley and the creek later cut through the slumped material. None of the material is *in situ*, but clean cut exposures are available and an estimated section based on this exposure is as follows:)

	Ft.	in.
3. Shell bed, yellowish shell limestone, composed of large and well preserved <i>Gyphea navia</i> Hall and <i>Gryphea corrugata hilli</i> Cragin, <i>Turritella</i> sp., and <i>Oxytropidoceras</i> (Marcou); occurs in large slabs and blocks up to 15 feet square .....		3 0
2. Light blue to gray, limestone, hard nodular, weathers white, contains <i>Cyprimeria</i> sp., a small <i>Gryphea</i> cf. <i>corrugata hilli</i> Cragin, <i>Turritella</i> sp., and <i>Oxytropidoceras</i> cf. <i>acutocarainatum</i> (Shumard) .....	6	in. to 1 6
1. Blue clay grading into yellowish brown clay, impossible to estimate its thickness accurately, but appears to be rather prominent .....	5	to 10 0

#### PERMIAN (Cloud Chief gypsum)

17. Bullard, F. M., Lower Cretaceous of western Oklahoma: Oklahoma Geol. Survey, Bull. 47, p. 77, 1928.

#### QUATERNARY DEPOSITS

The location of these has been described above. Their physical character is similar to those described in Blaine County.

#### Subsurface geology

Very little is known concerning the subsurface relationships of Dewey County excepting that which is revealed by the few wells that have drilled there. It is reasonable to suppose that the same formations underlying Blaine County underlie this area but at a greater depth. Plate II shows general subsurface relationships revealed by well logs. A study of these logs indicate in more detail the characteristics of the underlying rock. The third log is that of the Sharon well north of Vici in sec. 25, T. 21 N., R. 21 W. in Woodward County and shows the subsurface relationships northwest of the county.

#### Log of Small & Kinnison, Ball No. 1 well, sec. 34, T. 20 N., R. 20 W., Dewey County.

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Clay .....	0	60	Sandy lime .....	955	959
Red beds .....	60	136	Shale .....	959	965
Red beds & sand .....	136	221	Broken lime .....	965	998
Red beds & sand .....	221	225	Lime rock .....	998	1002
Sand .....	225	256	Broken lime .....	1002	1060
Sand .....	256	264	Hard lime .....	1060	1076
Pack sand .....	264	282	Broken lime .....	1076	1082
Sand rock .....	282	300	Hard sandy lime .....	1082	1089
Red rock .....	300	335	Hard sandy lime .....	1089	1097
Lime shell .....	335	336	Show gas & oil		
Red beds .....	336	377	Gray sand .....	1097	1126
Sand .....	377	392	Red Gumbo .....	1126	1131
Rock .....	392	399	Shale & bldrs. ....	1131	1134
Sand .....	399	420	Water sand .....	1134	1147
Sand rock .....	420	423	Gumbo & red shale ..	1147	1152
Sand .....	423	462	Hard sandy lime .....	1152	1157
Clay & hard sand .....	462	537	Sandy lime .....	1157	1165
Gumbo .....	537	560	Gumbo .....	1165	1169
Broken lime .....	560	610	Lime rock .....	1169	1183
Gumbo .....	610	622	Gumbo .....	1183	1211
Hard lime .....	622	625	Lime shell .....	1211	1212
Blue shale .....	625	627	Hard sdy. lime .....	1212	1228
Hard lime .....	627	658	Sandy shale .....	1228	1243
Gumbo .....	658	752	Hard lime .....	1243	1245
Hard lime .....	752	756	Sandy shale .....	1245	1283
Gumbo .....	756	788	Sandy lime .....	1283	1294
Shale .....	788	800	Lime shell .....	1294	1330
Gumbo .....	800	890	Sandy shale .....	1330	1333
Blue shale & bldrs. ....	890	924	Sticky shale .....	1333	1347
Hard dry sand .....	924	925	Sandy lime .....	1347	1354
Rock salt .....	925	927	Broken lime .....	1354	1397
Gumbo .....	927	938	Shale .....	1397	1433
Gumbo .....	938	943	Hard lime .....	1433	1434
Shale & bldrs. ....	943	955	Lime rock .....	1434	1435

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Shale & slate	1435	1449	Gray gyp	2223	2226
Lime rock	1449	1476	Gumbo & bldr.	2226	2311
Hard sandy lime	1476	1486	Dark lime	2311	2320
Sandy lime	1486	1490	Gumbo	2320	2485
Red gumbo	1490	1500	Red shale	2485	2500
Shale & bldrs.	1500	1526	Set 8-1/4" pipe		
Rock salt	1526	1553	Brown & blue shale	2500	2550
Shale	1553	1565	Blue shale	2550	2610
Bkn. lime & shale	1565	1580	Blue shale	2610	2623
Shale	1580	1672	Lime	2623	2627
Sandy shale	1672	1673	Blue shale	2627	2645
Sandy-show gas	1673	1683	Lime	2645	2653
Hd. sand & shale	1683	1691	Light shale	2653	2670
Blue & brown shale	1691	1706	Lime	2670	2673
Broken sand & shale	1706	1722	Blue shale	2673	2690
Lime & shale	1722	1733	Lime	2690	2694
Shale & sand	1733	1753	Blue shale	2694	2704
Sandy shale	1753	1765	Lime	2704	2715
Shale & bldrs.	1765	1799	Blue shale	2715	2728
Sandy shale	1799	1805	Lime	2728	2732
Blue & brown shale	1805	1830	Blue shale	2732	2750
Shale & bldrs.	1830	1880	Lime formation	2750	2775
Sandy shale	1880	1910	Shale	2775	2795
Gumbo	1910	1920	Cavy formation	2795	2882
Blue shale	1920	1945	Bad cave	2882	2920
Gumbo & bldrs.	1945	1956	Blue shale	2920	2935
Salt rock	1956	1964	Cavy formation	2935	2965
Salt water sand	1964	1985	Gypsy lime or selenite	2965	2985
Gumbo	1985	1999	Gypsy lime	2985	2995
Gumbo & bldrs.	1999	2010	Broken shale & shell	2995	3050
Sandy shale	2010	2025	Broken shale & shell	3050	3065
Gumbo & bldrs.	2025	2058	Broken and caving	3065	3085
Blue shale	2058	2070	Shale	3085	3095
Blue & Brown shale	2070	2094	Shale & shell	3095	3115
Sandy shale	2094	2125	Shale & shell (shell)	3115	3175
Hard Gumbo	2125	2152	Shale & shell (dark)	3175	3275
Gumbo & bldrs.	2152	2211	Shale	3275	3315
Gyp	2211	2214	Shale & shell	3315	3330
Red Gumbo	2214	2223	Hard gray lime	3330	3670

Log of Sharon Oil Co., Elmore No. 1 well, sec. 25, T. 21 N., R. 21 W.,  
Woodward County.

(Elevation 2,038.8)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Surface clay and sand	0	27	Red clay or shale	190	210
Sand	27	40	White lime	210	230
Shale	40	80	Red clay or shale	230	300
Quick sand	80	100	White lime	300	316
Hard packed sand	100	104	Red beds and streaks of lime	316	440
Gummy shale	104	113	Lime rock	440	450
Red Bed	113	130	Red beds	450	474
Red clay or shale	130	160	Lime	474	526
Red clay or shale	160	190			

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red beds	526	535	Blue shale — salty — streaks of lime	1457	1469
Lime	535	539	Very hard lime	1469	1476
Hard lime	539	584	Hard lime	1476	1480
Lime	584	590	Salt rock (core at 1481)	1480	1493
Red beds	590	603	Red & blue shale, salt salt rock & gyp	1493	1507
Shale bluish green	603	635	Red rock, streaks blue shale & salt	1507	1515
Blue gummy shale	635	663	Red rock & streaks blue shale	1515	1538
Gummy shale	663	703	Salt rock quite hard	1538	1563
Blue & brown shale	703	734	Blue & brown shale & streaks hard rock	1563	1595
Gummy shale red & blue	734	774	Blue & brown shale & streaks lime	1595	1655
Brown shale	774	803	Salt rock	1655	1662
Red & brown gummy shale streaks of lime shell	803	845	Blue & brown shale & streaks slate	1662	1712
Brown & red shale with streaks of lime shell	845	905	Blue & brown shale, streaks of salt & salt rock	1712	1750
Red & brown shale	905	950	Blue shale & streaks lime	1750	1780
Red & brown shale sticky & hard by streaks, some streaks of lime shell	950	1010	Blue shale — gummy — streaks lime	1780	1835
Red & brown shale	1010	1013	Sticky shale & streaks lime	1835	1890
Very hard lime	1013	1033	Hard shale & slate	1890	1900
Rock salt	1033	1057	Gummy shale	1900	1952
Brown shale	1057	1075	Hard brown shale— Gummy	1952	1975
Brown shale, streaks of hard lime and gummy streaks	1075	1101	Red & blue shale— Gummy streaks	1975	2017
Salt rock	1101	1110	Red & blue shale—Thin streaks hard lime	2017	2076
Lime	1110	1115	Blue shale—gummy—& streaks lime	2076	2101
Red shale	1115	1120	Blue shale—very hard & very gummy in streaks also streaks of hard lime	2101	2115
Brown shale with streaks of hard lime shell	1120	1164	Blue shale—hard streaks hard red rock & lime	2115	2136
Lime & salt in streaks	1164	1172	Blue gummy & hard shale—some hard, al- most black, shale, red rock in 1 to 2 ft. streaks & some lime	2136	2153
Shale & streaks of lime	1172	1190	Hard gummy shale & streaks lime	2153	2215
Salt & lime streaks	1190	1200	Hard shale & streaks of lime	2215	2222
Brown shale & shell lime	1200	1220	Lime in 1 to 2 ft. streaks, brown shale between	2222	2242
Salt rock	1220	1230			
Shale & shell lime	1230	1244			
Gray lime	1244	1250			
Salt rock	1250	1282			
Hard salt rock	1282	1292			
Salt rock, very hard & flinty	1292	1299			
Brown & blue shale & shell lime	1299	1308			
Salt rock	1308	1327			
Brown & blue shale, streaks of lime	1327	1354			
Salt rock	1354	1392			
Salt rock—some shale	1392	1408			
Salt rock	1408	1417			
Red beds & streaks of lime	1417	1457			
Core	1457	1460			

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Lime streaks & gummy shale	2242	2250	Hard slaty shale, streaks of lime	2643	2662
Thicker lime streaks, slightly sandy at bottom	2250	2257	Hard crystal	2662	2668
Streaks of lime & shale	2257	2293	Hard crystal lime	2668	2678
Hard gray shale	2293	2298	Gummy shale	2678	2681
Hard lime	2298	2306	Gummy shale & streaks of lime	2681	2688
Hard gray shale	2306	2318	Shale, streaks of lime	2688	2703
Dark lime	2318	2323	Slaty shale, thin streaks of lime	2703	2729
Hard gray shale	2323	2335	Hard lime	2729	2735
Hard lime rock	2335	2342	Shale, thin streaks of lime	2735	2755
Rock	2342	2349	Shale, streaks of lime	2755	2767
Rock & gumbo	2349	2356	Hard lime	2767	2772
Lime	2356	2366	Hard lime	2772	2777
Lime rock & gumbo	2366	2378	Hard lime	2777	2782
Hard lime rock	2378	2387	Hard lime	2782	2786
Hard lime rock	2387	2395	Hard lime	2782	2786
Hard lime rock	2395	2399	Very hard lime	2786	2790
Gumbo	2399	2407	Hard lime	2790	2795
Gumbo with streaks hard lime rock	2407	2419	Hard lime	2795	2796
Gummy shale	2419	2431	Hard shale	2796	2799
Hard lime	2431	2434	Hard lime	2799	2812
Rock lime	2434	2447	Hard lime	2812	2816
Gumbo with streaks of shell	2447	2454	Salt shale	2816	2819
Shale with streaks lime	2454	2483	Hard shale	2819	2822
Shale with hard lime streaks	2483	2495	Hard lime with streaks of hard shale	2822	2832
Gummy shale (?)	2495	2503	B. lime with shale	2832	2839
Shale, streaks of lime	2503	2550	Hard lime	2839	2842
Slaty shale	2550	2559	lime shale	2842	2853
Gummy shale	2559	2572	Broken lime	2853	2867
Hard shale streaks of lime	2572	2580	Broken lime shale	2867	2874
Gummy shale, streaks of lime	2580	2615	Sealy shale shells	2874	2887
Hard shale, streaks of lime	2615	2626	Gyp rock	2887	2898
Slaty shale, streaks of lime	2626	2643	Gyp rock	2898	2902
			Hard lime	2902	2907
			Hard lime	2907	2914
			Hard shale	2914	2920
			Lime rock	2920	2932

Log of Morton & Co., Jessie Elder No. 1 well, cen. SE. 1/4 sec. 22, T. 16 N., R. 18 W., Dewey County

(Elevation 2,035)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red shale red	0	55	Red mud red	145	180
Gyp lime white	55	78	Red rock (HPW) red	180	230
Shale red	78	83	Quick sand red	230	388
Gyp rock white	83	90	Red rock red	388	525
Gyp rock white	100	105	Shale red	525	600
Red mud red	105	125	Gyp rock white	600	620
Sand rock red	125	145	Red rock red	620	625

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Gyp rock white	625	640	Shale blue	2757	2802
Shale red	640	644	Shale red	2802	2823
Red rock red	644	665	Shale blue	2823	2962
Gyp rock white	665	670	Gyp rock white	2962	2970
Red rock red	670	690	Shale blue	2970	3049
Gyp rock white	690	700	Shale light	3049	3070
Slate blue	700	720	Shale light	3070	3092
Red rock red	720	740	Shale light	3092	3109
Gyp rock white	740	750	Lime light	3109	3118
Red rock red	750	780	Shale light	3118	3124
Red rock red	780	1830	Broken lime	3124	3242
Gyp rock white	1830	1835	Shale & lime shells	3242	3296
Red rock red	1835	1925	Shale light	3296	3350
Blue mud blue	1925	1950	Shale—lime shells	3350	3390
Brown mud brown	1950	2000	Broken lime	3390	3420
Red rock red	2000	2698	Shale—lime shells	3420	3483
Shale blue	2698	2750	Lime	3483	3506
Gyp rock white	2750	2757	Total depth		3506

#### Structural geology

Dewey County lies on the north limb of the Anadarko Basin and the accompanying figure shows the structural relationships of this area to the basin. The strike of the formations is northwest-southeast with the regional dip to the west and southwest, similar but not so steep as in Blaine County. Numerous structural irregularities have been mapped in this county but time did not permit the checking or detailing of these.

The Day Creek dolomite, a very persistent marker through this area, is difficult upon which to map structural details. This is due to the tremendous amount of slumping in the buttes and escarpments. The underlying shale also allows the dolomite to slump in such a manner as to produce dips varying in all degrees of angle and direction. As yet, wells have not been drilled sufficiently deep to encounter any known producing horizons but small shows of oil and gas have been reported from various wells drilled in the county. Inasmuch as the area is near to the axis of the Anadarko Basin it would be necessary to drill through some 7,000 feet of sediments to encounter known producing horizons. The structural relationship of underlying Pennsylvanian formations may be such as to bring these producing horizons nearer the surface. As yet we know of no surface indications to justify such a belief.

#### DEVELOPMENT

To date no production in commercial quantities has been found in Dewey County. The table on page 52 gives a list of wells which have been drilled.

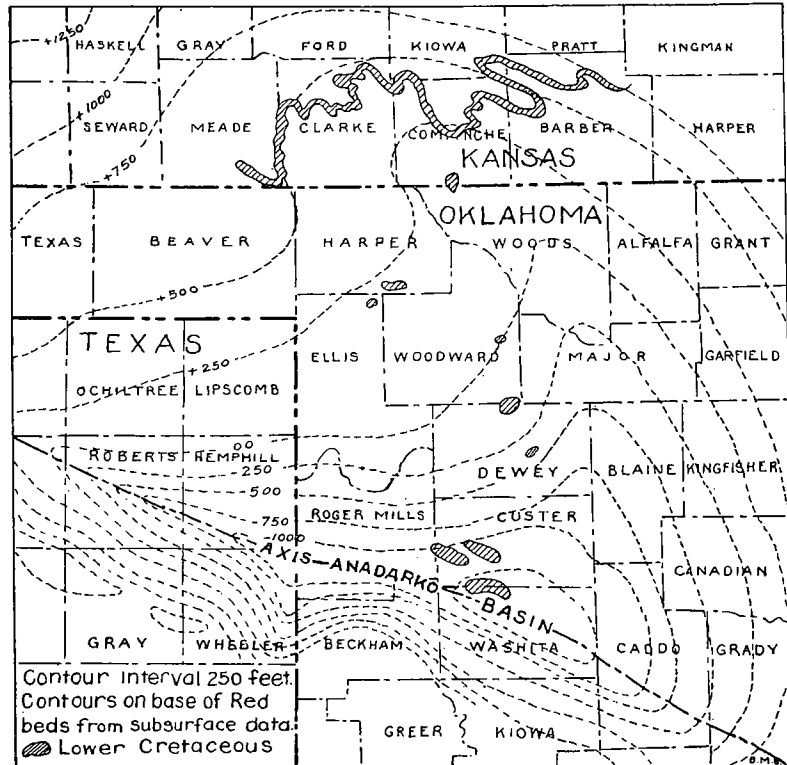


Figure 2. Map showing the relation of the lower Cretaceous outliers to the Anadarko Basin. (After Bullard and Clifton.)

### CUSTER COUNTY

Custer county is the southern of the two central counties covered by this report. In shape it is rectangular and has 28 townships from Tps. 12 to 15 N., inclusive and Rs. 14 to 20 W., inclusive, an area of approximately 1,008 square miles. It lies within the valleys of the South Canadian and the Washita rivers and their tributaries.

The main line of the Rock Island traverses the southern part of the county, the Frisco and Orient the eastern part, and a branch line of the Santa Fe serves the Washita Valley from Clinton west. The Wichita and Northwestern crosses the extreme western part.

The county has a population of approximately 30,000 and Arapaho with a population of 500 is the county seat. Clinton is the largest and most important city with 6,000 population. Four of the five railroads

intersect at this point. Other places of importance are Custer City (1,500), Thomas (400), Weatherford (4,000), and Butler (300). Weatherford is the site of the Southwestern State Teachers College.

### TOPOGRAPHY

The northern part of Custer County is a rolling plain drained by the northern tributaries of the Washita and Deer Creek which is a tributary of the South Canadian. The eastern part of the county slopes gently toward the South Canadian River. The southeastern part is a badly dissected plain. Streams have cut deep, canyon-like valleys in the Whitehorse sandstone and Cloud Chief formations. The southwestern part slopes northeast into the valley of the Washita. The streams which have eroded the surface are largely intermittent due to light rainfall which averages only 25 inches annually. The timber along the streams presents a semi-park landscape.

### GEOLOGY

#### Surface formations

Surface formations of this county are the Whitehorse sandstone, Day Creek dolomite, Cloud Chief gypsum, Quartermaster formation, Cretaceous oyster beds (as outliers) and Quaternary gravels and sands. Alluvium is very abundant along the South Canadian and Washita rivers.

#### WHITEHORSE SANDSTONE

The Whitehorse sandstone outcrops in the eastern part of the county, forming a wide band south and west of South Canadian River. Deer Creek and its tributaries have carved their valleys into this formation, the character of which has been described under Blaine County.

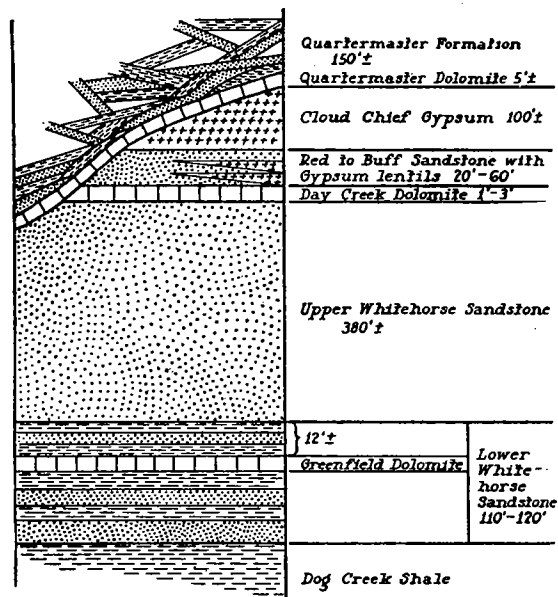
#### DAY CREEK DOLOMITE

The Day Creek dolomite forms a low escarpment just west of the Whitehorse area and can be traced from the northern boundary of the county down to the Weatherford area. The character of this formation has been described under Dewey County. Outliers are found in the vicinity of Thomas, lying upon Whitehorse. Northwest of Eagle City in Blaine County it occurs(?) as one of the series of dolomites and gypsums which form a prominent outlier.

#### CLOUD CHIEF GYPSUM

The Cloud Chief gypsum forms the surface of the central half of the county and wider in the northern than in the southern part. That along the southern border is very similar to that in the type locality of Cloud Chief in Washita County. The character of this formation has been described under Dewey County.





**GEOLOGIC SECTION  
WEATHERFORD AREA  
OKLAHOMA**

**LEGEND**

Shale	Dolomite
Sandstone	Gypsum

Figure 3. Section showing the stratigraphy of the Weatherford district (Evans, 1928, p. 708).

**QUARTERMASTER FORMATION**

This formation outcrops in the northwestern and southwestern parts of the county and lies unconformably upon the older Permian rocks. Gypsum or dolomite forms the basal portion of the formation and is well developed in the southeastern part of the county between Clinton and Weatherford. The following section made by Evans shows the relationships between the Quartermaster and the underlying Permian formations. It is interesting to note that the Quartermaster caps the buttes in Caddo County to the southeast and rests unconformably upon the Whitehorse.

The following figure shows the stratigraphic relationships of the Weatherford area as interpreted by Noel Evans.<sup>18</sup>

18. Evans, Noel, Stratigraphy of the Weatherford area: Bull. Am. Assoc. Pet. Geol., vol. 12, fig. 12, 1928.

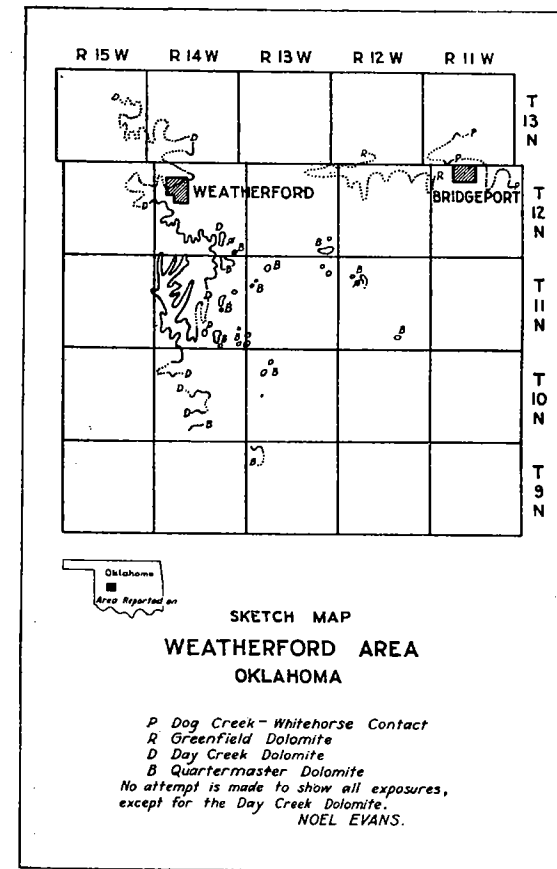


Figure 4. Sketch map of Weatherford district, showing the chief occurrences of the Day Creek and Quartermaster dolomites.

The map above, figure 4, shows the distribution of the various dolomites in this area described by Evans.<sup>19</sup> A great deal of detail work needs to be done in this county to clarify the structural relationships of the existing formations.

**CRETACEOUS FORMATIONS**

The Cretaceous formations in Custer County occur as erosional remnants in widely scattered areas throughout the northern, central and southern portions and they rest unconformably upon the older formations. Most of the cretaceous formations are but a few acres in extent. In the southwestern part near Butler and Foss they form low lying

19. Evans, Noel, up. cit., p. 706.

hills. The following section made by Bullard<sup>20</sup> at the NW. cor. sec. 9, T. 11 N., R. 19 W., three miles west of Foss, Oklahoma and just north of the Custer County line sets forth the character of these formations.

	Ft.	in.
Shell bed, yellowish brown shell conglomerate composed of <i>Gryphea corrugata</i> Say, <i>Gryphea navia</i> Hall, and <i>Oxytropidoceras belknapi</i> (Marcou) .....	3	0
Yellowish clay, blue and yellow mottled .....	10	0
Coarse sand, conglomeratic and locally quartzitic .....	3 to 5	0
PERMIAN (Quartermaster formation)		

As in other parts of the Cretaceous area, that of this county is correlated with the Washita group by Bullard. The following photograph shows the physical character of the *Gryphea corrugata* zone of these rocks in secs. 13, T. 13 N., R. 20 W. and is characteristic of this entire region.<sup>21</sup>



Figure 5. Close view of the "Shell Bed," *Gryphea corrugata* zone. Sec. 13, T. 13 N., R. 20 W.

#### Subsurface Formations

The rocks underlying Custer County are, perhaps, the same as those underlying Dewey and Blaine counties but lie at a greater depth due to their nearness to the axis of the Anadarko Basin. Most of the wells drilled in this county are shallow and reveal little concerning the subsurface character of formations in which production might be expected.

20. Bullard, F. M., up. cit., p. 79.  
21. Bullard, F. M., up. cit., p. 85, pl. VI B.

The following series of well logs show the general character of underlying rocks. The one drilled by the Day Oil Company in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 21, T. 14 N., R. 17 W., in 1923, may be considered the type log of this area.

Log of Empire Gas & Fuel Co., Stone No. 1 well, SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 25, T. 12 N., R. 14 W., Custer County.

(Elevation 1,685)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Formation	Top	Bottom	Broken sand .....	1552	1572
Sandy soil .....	0	22	Red shale .....	1572	1592
Hard sand .....	22	30	Sandy shale .....	1592	1617
Very hard sand .....	30	36	Soft red shale .....	1617	1653
Red sand .....	36	105	Red shale .....	1653	1738
Water sand—coarse .....	105	150	Sticky red shale .....	1738	1797
Hard sand .....	150	156	Red shale .....	1797	1811
Red sand—shale .....	156	400	Sand gray fine .....	1811	1816
Red sand .....	400	520	Gyp .....	1816	1826
Red shale .....	520	580	Sandy shale .....	1826	1874
Sticky red shale .....	580	673	Gumbo .....	1874	1911
Gyp—lime .....	673	683	Hard red shale .....	1911	1936
Gumbo .....	683	708	Sticky red grey shale .....	1936	1995
Gyp—lime .....	708	716	Hard red shale .....	2015	2055
Red shale .....	716	722	Red shale-gyp .....	2055	2075
Gyp .....	722	727	Gyp—red shale .....	2075	2105
Gumbo .....	727	770	Red—brn. shale .....	2165	2220
Gyp—lime .....	770	775	Red shale .....	2220	2230
Gyp .....	775	785	Hard red shale—brn.		
Sticky red shale .....	785	819	grey .....	2230	2260
Gyp .....	819	823	Red—brn. shale .....	2260	2305
Gumbo .....	823	861	Red shale .....	2305	2330
Sticky red shale .....	861	938	Red brown shale .....	2330	2342
Very fine blue sand .....	938	942	Sandy red shale .....	2342	2364
Red shale .....	942	976	Red shale .....	2364	2377
Sandy red shale .....	976	984	Broken gyp .....	2367	2384
Sticky red shale .....	984	1093	Gyp .....	2384	2395
Chalky red shale .....	1093	1097	Red shale—bldrs. ....	2395	2416
Red shale .....	1097	1128	Gyp .....	2416	2417
Hard sandy shale .....	1128	1173	Broken gyp .....	2417	2427
Red shale .....	1173	1258	Red shale .....	2427	2447
Sandy shale .....	1258	1278	Sticky red shale .....	2447	2457
Red shale .....	1278	1356	Red shale—bldrs. ....	2457	2484
Gumbo .....	1356	1364	Gyp—bldrs. ....	2484	2491
Gyp .....	1364	1374	Red shale .....	2491	2508
Hard red shale .....	1374	1379	Red shale .....	2508	2543
Gyp .....	1379	1389	Gyp .....	2543	2548
Hard red shale .....	1389	1397	Red shale—bldrs. ....	2548	2564
Sticky red shale .....	1397	1417	Red shale .....	2564	2566
Hard red-gray shale .....	1417	1427	Broken gyp .....	2566	2578
Gyp .....	1427	1447	Red shale .....	2578	2584
Hard red shale .....	1447	1513	Red—brn. shale .....	2584	2588
Very fine gray sand .....	1513	1423	Red—shale—bldrs. ....	2588	2622
Red shale .....	1523	1543	Red shale .....	2622	2630
Sandy gray shale .....	1543	1552	Gyp .....	2630	2642

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red shale	2642	2650	Lime	2982	2985
Gyp	2650	2660	Shale—bldrs.	2985	2995
Hard gyp	2660	2670	Gumbo	2995	2998
Red shale	2670	2692	Sticky blue shale	2998	3008
Gyp	2692	2700	Some gas—bldrs.		
Red shale	2700	2704	Broken shale—lime	3008	3023
Gyp	2704	2712	Sticky blue shale	3023	3034
Measured pipe in hole			Gumbo	3034	3044
31 fourbles 2622-10'			Broken shale—sand	3044	3054
1 double 42' 8"			Gumbo	3054	3069
Kelly down 22' drill collar 6'			Sand	3069	3071
T. D.	2693	6"	Lime	3071	3072
Gyp	2693	2702	Broken wht. sand	3072	3074
Broken sand	2702	2707	Broken—lime—shale	3074	3081
Blue shale	2707	2727	Hard shale—bldrs.	3081	3105
Red—blue shale	2727	2734	Blue shale	3105	3132
Red shale	2734	2742	Gumbo	3132	3138
Gyp—hard	2742	2750	Lime	3138	3140
Gyp	2750	2753	Blue shale	3140	3151
Red shale	2753	2766	Hard lime	3151	3155
Gyp	2766	2770	Blue shale	3155	3161
Red—blue shale	2770	2785	Lime	3161	3164
Broken sand—gas	2785	2787	Broken lime—shale	3164	3169
Gyp	2787	2790	Blue shale	3169	3183
Red sticky shale	2790	2792	Gumbo	3183	3187
Red—blue shale	2792	2806	Blue shale—brkn. lime	3187	3196
Blue shale	2806	2826	Blue shale—bldrs.	3196	3203
Lime	2826	2829	Lime	3203	3204
Cherty lime	2829	2831	Broken lime—shale	3204	3213
Blue shale	2831	2852	Cherty grey lime	3213	3220
Lime	2852	2856	Broken lime—blue shale	3220	3246
Blue sticky shale	2856	2860	Lime	3246	3250
Lime	2860	2869	Blue shale	3250	3265
Blue shale	2869	2870	Lime	3265	3267
Lime	2870	2871	Sticky blue shale	3267	3270
Sticky blue shale	2871	2873	Brkn. lime—blue shale	3270	3281
Lime	2873	2879	Gumbo	3281	3291
Blue shale	2879	2880	Fine wht. sand	3291	3293
Broken lime—shale	2880	2890	Lime	3293	3294
Broken lime	2890	2892	Shale—bldrs.	3294	3308
Blue sticky	2892	2904	Blue shale	3308	3310
Bldts. shale—sticky	2904	2892	Hard chalky shale	3310	3312
Blue shale	2904	2905	Lime	3312	3317
Broken lime—bldrs.	2905	2920	Blue shale	3317	3321
Lime	2920	2922	Blue shale—bldrs.	3321	3332
Blue shale	2922	2929	Chalky blue shale	3332	3338
Broken lime	2929	2935	Sticky blue shale	3338	3343
Gumbo	2935	2940	Gumbo	3343	3369
Blue shale	2940	2950	Chalky shale	3369	3371
Broken lime	2950	2960	Blue shale	3371	3375
Lime	2960	2969	Blue shale—bldrs.	3375	3386
Lime—sandy shale	2969	2972	Sticky blue shale	3386	3391
Lime	2972	2973	Blue shale—gumbo	3391	3404
Gumbo	2973	2977	Broken lime	3404	3405
Blue shale	2977	2980	Blue shale	3405	3409
Sandy shale	2980	2982	Lime	3409	3414

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Sticky blue shale	3414	3424	Chalky shale	3475	3480
Chalky shale	3424	3434	Lime	3480	3482
Chalky shale	3434	3436	Chalky shale	3482	3483
Sticky blue shale	3436	3442	Sticky blue shale	3483	3489
Lime	3442	3448	Blue shale	3489	3496
Sticky blue shale	3448	3475	Lime	3496	3497

Log of Day Oil Co., Miller No. 1 well, SE.¼ SE.¼ sec. SE.¼ 21,  
T. 14 N., R. 17 W., Custer County.

[Elevation 1,773 (1,770)]

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red sand	0	10	Shale sand	699	705
Hard pack sand	10	13	Hard lime rock	705	715
Hard sharp sand	13	35	Hard shale shells	715	720
Hard rock	35	51	Lime rock hard	720	731
Red clay	51	69	Sticky shale shells	731	754
Hard pack sand	69	78	Hard lime rock	754	766
Hard red sand	78	89	Shale blue	766	778
Gyp rock	89	104	Lime shell	778	780
Hard sand rock	104	124	Red gumbo	780	792
Hard red sand	124	137	Hard lime rock	792	798
Cavity	137	140	Hard white flint lime	798	800
Gyp rock	140	150	Hard lime rock	800	801
Sand	150	180	Hard shell	801	803
Red clay	180	196	Red clay	803	809
Sand	196	218	Red gumbo	809	814
Red bed	218	221	Shale blue	814	818
Red sand	221	230	Lime rock	818	820
Rock	230	238	Shale brown	820	825
Red sand water sand	238	321	Red gumbo	825	830
Quick sand	321	384	Salt rock show gas on ditch	830	833½
Rock	384	386	Red gumbo	833½	841
Gravel sand	386	390	Lime shell	841	844
Quicksand	390	406	Blue gumbo	844	845
Gyp rock	406	419	Oil sand dry	845	847
Hard sand	419	430	Red gumbo	847	870
Red clay	430	450	Hard gray shale	847	874
Sand	450	478	Red gumbo	874	890
Shale sand	478	502	Shale gray	890	898
Sand	502	518	Red gumbo	898	922
Rock	518	526	Red blue gumbo	922	945
Shale red	526	534	Shell	945	946
Clay red	534	568	Red gumbo	946	956
Clay red	568	588	Shell	956	957
Gyp rock	588	592	Red gumbo	957	975
Clay	592	594	Shale gray	975	983
Hard sand	594	607	Red gumbo	983	1000
Mud blue	607	617	Hard sand	1000	1003
Shale red	617	650	Red gumbo	1003	1014
Gumbo red	650	667	Shell	1014	1016
Red gumbo clay mixed	667	671	Red gumbo	1016	1021
Shells, gray shale	671	691	Shell	1021	1023
Hard rock	691	699			

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Formation	Top	Bottom
Hard sand	1023	1027
Red gumbo	1027	1030
Red shale	1030	1034
Shell red gumbo	1034	1040
Shell	1040	1042
Shale blue	1042	1050
Red gumbo	1050	1054
Cong. lime, blue shale	1054	1061
Gumbo, boulders	1061	1080
Hard sand	1080	1083
Cong. of gumbo, bldrs. shale	1083	1099
Hard sand rock	1099	1109
Red gumbo	1109	1117
Hard sand	1117	1126
Gumbo, boulders	1126	1135
Lime sandy	1135	1140
Gumbo boulders	1140	1147
Red gumbo	1147	1192
Lime sandy	1192	1196
Red gumbo boulders	1196	1228
Hard sand	1228	1230
Gumbo bldrs.	1230	1240
Lime sandy	1240	1242
Hard sand broken	1242	1248
Red gumbo bldrs.	1248	1250
Sand	1250	1252
Hard sand	1252	1256
Hard sand rock	1256	1258
Red gumbo	1258	1270
Hard bldrs. gumbo	1270	1276
Red gumbo	1276	1308
Rock	1308	1309
Red gumbo	1309	1310
Hard sand	1310	1312
Gumbo bldrs.	1312	1323
Hard gray gumbo	1323	1335
Hard sand	1335	1337
Gumbo	1337	1347
Hard rock	1347	1348
Gumbo, flint, bldrs.	1348	1360
Gray sand	1360	1364
Gumbo, flint, bldrs.	1364	1367
Hard rock	1367	1370
Hard gray sand	1370	1372
Hard sand	1372	1389
Red gumbo	1389	1424
Lime sandy	1424	1426
Gumbo, bldrs.	1426	1431
Hard sand rock	1431	1502
Hard rock	1502	1503
Sand	1503	1508
Gumbo bldrs.	1508	1512
Hard sand rock	1512	1537
Gumbo flint bldrs.	1537	1550
Hard sandy lime	1550	1555

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Formation	Top	Bottom
Gumbo bldrs.	1555	1560
Hard sand rock	1560	1563
Gumbo bldrs.	1563	1568
Sand rock	1568	1576
Hard sand rock	1576	1586
Red gumbo	1586	1589
Gumbo bldrs.	1589	1600
Sandy shale	1600	1604
Hard sand	1604	1621
Gumbo bldrs.	1621	1623
Hard sand	1623	1639
Sandy lime rock	1639	1655
Gumbo shale	1655	1661
Lime rock	1661	1665
Gumbo	1665	1668
Rock	1668	1670
Soft gray sand	1670	1677
Gumbo bldrs.	1677	1686
Sand rock	1686	1688
Gumbo bldrs	1688	1690
Gumbo	1690	1693
Hard pack sand	1693	1695
Hard sand rock	1695	1698
Red gumbo	1698	1700
Hard pack sand	1700	1708
Red gumbo bldrs.	1708	1721
Gumbo	1721	1723
Red gumbo	1723	1726
Gumbo	1726	1757
Sand gray	1757	1760
Red gumbo	1760	1773
Rock	1773	1775
Gumbo red	1775	1786
Shale sticky	1786	1793
Red gumbo	1793	1818
Shale	1818	1829
Rock	1829	1833
Red gumbo	1833	1837
Rock	1837	1839
Gumbo	1839	1843
Shell	1843	1844
Sand rock	1844	1855
Sand rock	1855	1864
Red gumbo	1864	1871
Red sand	1871	1874
Red gumbo	1874	1888
Hard rock	1888	1891
Hard sand rock	1891	1892
Red rock bldrs.	1892	1899
Red gumbo	1899	1903
Red rock bldrs.	1903	1909
Red gumbo	1909	1923
Shale sticky	1923	1930
Hard gumbo bldrs.	1930	1935
Hard sand	1935	1942

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Hard gumbo bldrs.	1942	1947	Gumbo blue	2512	2522
Red rock bldrs.	1947	1956	Lime rock	2522	2527
Lime rock	1956	1968	Cong.	2527	2531
Cong.	1968	1971	Gumbo	2531	2537
Blue gumbo	1971	1973½	Lime rock	2537	2540
Gumbo shale	1973½	1978	Gumbo	2540	2548
Hard gray sand	1978	1980	Shale	2548	2556
Gumbo blue	1980	1987	Gumbo	2556	2563
Shale bldrs.	1987	2000	Shale	2563	2570
Gumbo bldrs.	2000	2004	Gumbo	2570	2580
Shale gray	2004	2010	Gumbo blue	2580	2596
Gumbo red	2010	2016	Shale blue	2596	2606
Gumbo	2016	2020	Gumbo bldrs.	2606	2610
Sand hard	2020	2022	Gumbo	2610	2630
Gumbo bldrs.	2022	2033	Shale	2630	2646
Hard sand	2033	2035	Gumbo	2646	2650
Gumbo bldrs.	2035	2039	Gumbo thin shell	2650	2660
Gumbo blue	2039	2052	Gumbo lime shell	2660	2667
Hard sand	2052	2054	Brown sand sandy shale	2667	2669
Blue gumbo bldrs.	2054	2058	Lime	2669	2687
Shell	2058	2059	Brown shale	2687	2704
Blue gumbo bldrs.	2059	2067	Brown slate	2704	2714
Blue gumbo	2067	2074	Brown shale	2714	2740
Gray sandy shale	2074	2079	Blue slate	2740	2745
Blue gumbo	2079	2102	Brown shale caving	2745	2750
Shale	2102	2120	Slate blue	2750	2765
Gumbo blue	2120	2145	Shale brown	2765	2775
Shale sticky	2145	2165	Slate blue	2775	2793
Blue gumbo bldrs.	2165	2173	Lime broken	2793	2798
Gumbo	2173	2207	Slate blue	2798	2805
Shale	2207	2229	Blue shale soft	2805	2821
Gumbo	2229	2236	Blue mud cavy	2821	2835
Shale	2236	2245	Shale blue	2835	2865
Gumbo	2245	2251	Lime	2865	2870
Shale	2251	2268	Shale blue	2870	2875
Shale sticky	2268	2276	Lime shells blue shale	2875	2880
Shale sticky	2276	2281	Shale blue	2880	2904
Gumbo	2281	2296	Shale blue, lime shell	2904	2920
Shale sticky	2296	2312	Lime shell blue shale	2920	2938
Gumbo	2312	2338	Slate blue	2938	2947
Shale sticky	2338	2358	Shale blue	2947	2965
Gumbo	2358	2363	Slate shells	2965	2978
Shale mixed	2363	2383	Shale blue	2978	2988
Gumbo	2383	2388	Lime	2988	2990
Lime sandy	2388	2392	Shale	2990	2991
Shale	2392	2401	Lime hard	2991	2993
Gumbo	2401	2428	Slate blue	2993	2998
Gumbo tough	2428	2444	Shale blue	2998	3000
Shale sticky	2444	2454	Lime hard	3000	3004
Shell	2454	2455	Slate	3004	3012
Gumbo	2455	2460	Shale blue	3012	3026
Shale	2460	2466	Shale pink	3026	3030
Shale blue	2466	2492	Shale blue	3030	3035
Shale	2492	2493	Lime	3035	3040
Shale blue	2493	2510	Shale blue	3040	3085
Lime rock	2510	2512			

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Slate gray	3085	3097	Shale gray	3280	3290
Shale blue	3097	3174	Shale blue	3290	3310
Lime shell	3174	3178	Lime	3310	3335
Lime	3178	3185	Shale gray	3335	3390
Shale blue	3185	3192	Lime	3390	3395
Lime	3192	3195	Lime hard	3395	3405
Shale blue	3195	3210	Lime	3405	3415
Shale blue, lime	3210	3228	Shale blue	3415	3430
Shale blue	3228	3240	Lime	3430	3435
Lime	3240	3245	Shale blue	3435	3460
Slate blue	3245	3250	Lime	3460	3473
Shale blue	3250	3258	Shale blue	3473	3480
Lime	3258	3265	Lime	3480	3490
Shale gray	3265	3270	Slate soft	3490	3508
Shale blue	3270	3280			

Log of J. H. Santrock, Robert Ruth No. 1 well, cen. SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 1, T. 15 N., R. 15 W., Custer County.

[Elevation 1,699 (1,705)]

Surface sand red	0	18	Light brn. sand	2950	2962
Red sand	18	45	Brn. shale	2962	3005
Water sand	45	52	Blue shale—lime shell	3005	3308
Red rock	52	125	Grey lime	3308	3334
Red sand—water	125	175	Blue slate	3334	3338
Hard red rock	175	260	Grey lime	3338	3342
Soft red rock	260	455	Blue shale	3342	3347
Grey lime	455	475	Grey lime	3347	3385
Red rock	475	515	Blue shale	3385	3399
Hard white lime	515	535	Grey lime	3399	3406
Red rock	535	560	Sandy lime	3406	3490
Lime	560	637	White lime	3490	3505
Gravel	637	699	Blue shale	3505	3545
Red rock	699	700	White lime	3545	3570
Lime	700	705	Blue shale	3570	3585
Sandy lime	705	710	Grey lime	3585	3595
Red rock	710	860	White lime	3595	3630
Lime shell	860	863	Black slate	3630	3675
Red rock	863	940	Grey sand	3712	3722
Lime	940	945	Grey lime	3722	3735
Sand	945	955	Black slate	3735	3740
Red rock—lime shell	955	1250	Black sandy shale	3740	3778
Red rock	1250	1670	Dark grey sand	3778	3817
Brown shale	1670	1680	Blue shale	3817	3838
Red rock	1680	1690	Dark grey sand	3838	3860
Brown shale	1690	1705	Black sand	3860	3875
Sand	1705	1715	Sandy grey lime	3875	3890
Red rock	1715	1770	Hard grey sandy lime	3890	3925
Blue shale	1770	1820	Grey sand	3925	3960
Red rock	1820	2115	Broken grey lime	3960	4005
Lime	2115	2120	Hard grey lime	4005	4040
Red rock	2120	2150	Broken lime	4040	4060
Blue shale	2150	2165	Hard sandy lime	4060	4080
Dark red rock hd.	2165	2380	Blue shale—lime shell	4080	4163
Red rock cavy	2380	2490	Hard grey lime	4163	4185
Brn. shale—lime shell	2490	2950	Red mud	4185	4212

Log of Homaokla Oil Co., W. H. Wasman No. 1 well, NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 21, T. 13 N., R. 14 W., Custer County.

(Elevation 1,683)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Soil	0	15	Red shale	670	712
Sand red rock	15	85	Lime—dolomite very hard	712	720
Sand red rock	85	165	Red shale	720	795
Sand rock	165	195	Dolomite	795	815
Sand rock packed	195	245	Red shale	815	884
Red clay	245	250	Dolomite	884	885
Packed sand	250	270	Red shale	885	960
Coarse sand red	270	285	Sandy shale—show wtr.	960	970
Packed red sand	285	295	Broken salt sands sandy shale	970	975
Packed sand	295	325	Salt sand, shale making 4 bbls.	975	1000
Red clay	325	367	Salt sand—shale	1000	1020
Quick sand	367	370	Sandy shale	1020	1035
Red clay	370	580	Red shale	1035	1080
Hard sandy lime	580	600			
Red clay	600	650			
Lime—gyp rock	650	670			

### Structural Geology

The strike of Quartermaster formations in this county is north south. The dips are very low and generally west by south. A number of small structures are reported to have been mapped here and considerable leasing has resulted. A number of companies have procured large holdings.

The general and historical relationships of the surface to sub-surface formations of this area are graphically presented in the following series of diagrams taken from Bullard.<sup>22</sup>

Plate I shows the areal relationships of this county and Plate III the general relationships as revealed by type logs taken in this portion of Oklahoma. Inasmuch as Custer County lies mainly in the bottom of the Anadarko Basin, producing horizons known north and east of here would lie, perhaps, at prohibitive depths. Conditions, however, may exist similar to those in the Sayre field in Beckham County to the southeast, but this is hypothetical as yet.

### DEVELOPMENT

The table on page 53 gives a list of wells drilled or now drilling in Custer County up to date. No production has as yet been found in Custer County.

<sup>22</sup> Bullard, F. M., *op. cit.*, fig. 7.

## ROGER MILLS COUNTY

Roger Mills County is located in the extreme western part of the state and its western boundary is a part of the Oklahoma-Texas boundary line, the 100th meridian west of Greenwich. The South Canadian River forms the northern boundary, Dewey and Custer counties the eastern boundary, and Beckham the southern boundary. This county contains 25 complete townships and parts of 16 others. The area is approximately 1,160 square miles.

A branch line of the Santa Fe extends from Pampa, Texas, to Clinton, Oklahoma and follows the Washita River valley through Roger Mills County. The county has a population of 15,000 and Cheyenne, the county seat and principal town has about 1,200.

### TOPOGRAPHY

The northern part of Roger Mills County is drained by the South Canadian River and its tributaries and the central portion by the Washita River and its many tributaries, most important of which are Quatermaster, Nine Mile, Wild Horse, Dead Indian, Turkey, Rush, Croton, Broken Leg, Sergeant Major, Beaver Dam, Sandstone, Kiowa, and White Shield creeks. The southern part is drained by Meridian, Freezeout, Sweetwater, Buffalo, and Starvation creeks which flow into North Fork of Red River. With the exception of Washita River all of the streams of this county are intermittent due to light rainfall which averages only 22 inches annually. Timber is conspicuously absent.

The topography may be divided into two parts. The eastern two-thirds of the county is a plain broken by low lying sandstone hills while the eastern third is a sandy plain sloping gently southeast. The most important topographic features are the Antelope Hills (See plate IVB) and the Twin Hills which rise approximately 100 feet above the surrounding plains. These are flat topped buttes capped by High Plains Tertiary rocks and caliche. The Twin Hills are located in the SE. 1/4 sec. 9, and the SW. 1/4 sec. 10, T. 16 N., R. 25 W., on the divide between the Washita and the Canadian rivers. The Antelope Hills are located in secs. 32 and 33, T. 17 N., R. 35 W., in the first northward bend of the Canadian River inside the Oklahoma line. These hills are the most characteristic landmarks in this portion of Oklahoma. A government benchmark and triangulation point of primary importance is found on the top of the highest and largest of these hills.

### GEOLOGY

#### Surface Formations

The following formations outcrop in Roger Mills County; Cloud Chief gypsum, Quatermaster formation, Cretaceous outliers, Tertiary gravel, possibly of Miocene and Pliocene age, and Quaternary gravels, sands, and caliche.

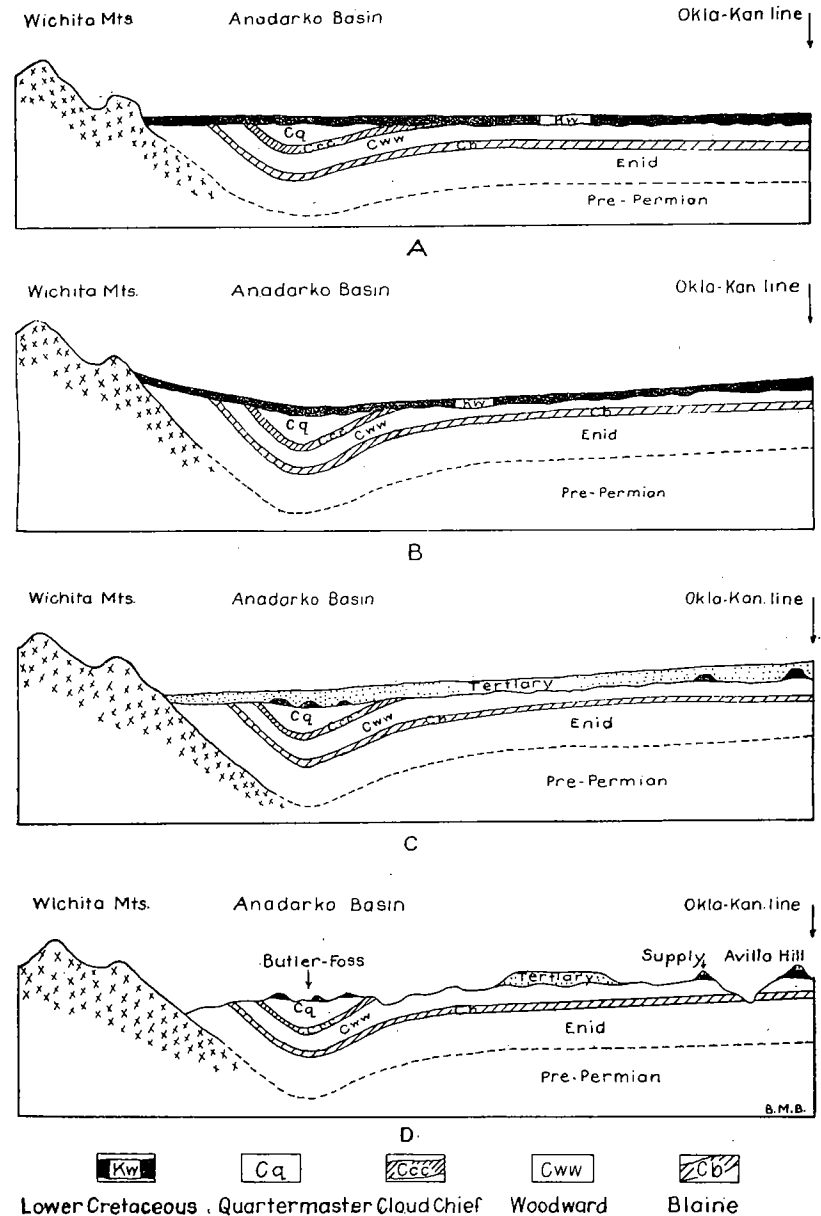
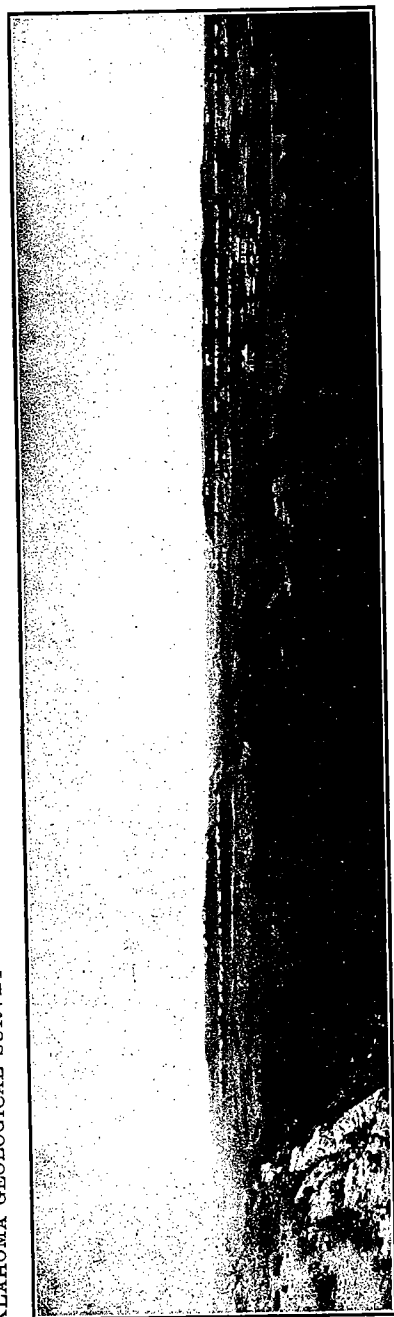
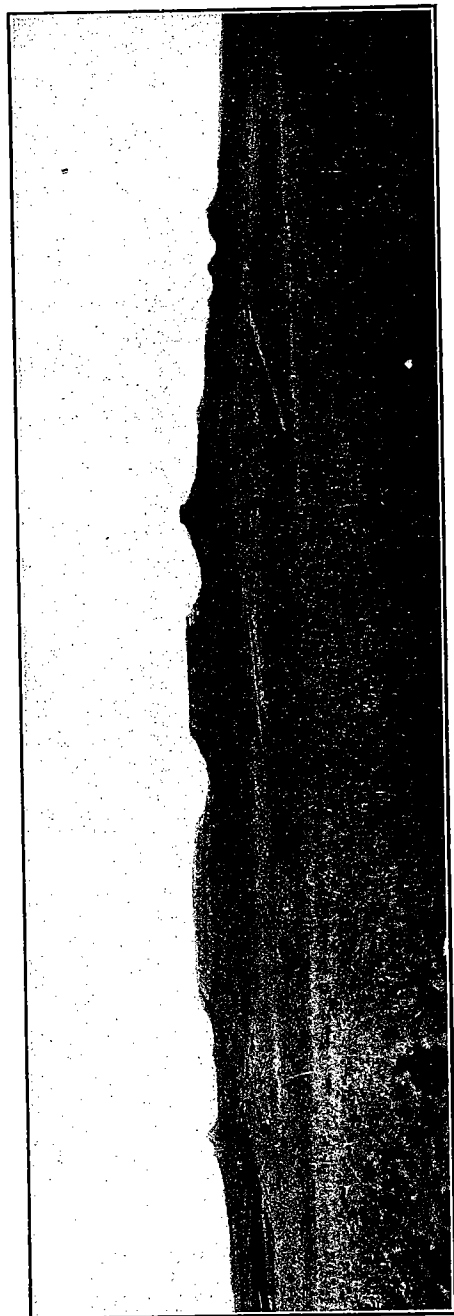


Figure 6. Diagrammatic representation of the stages in the geologic history of the Lower Cretaceous of western Oklahoma. (After Bullard)



A. BLAINE GYPSUM ESCARPMENTS IN ROMAN NOSE CANYON, BICKFORD, OKLA.



B. ANTELOPE HILLS IN ROGER MILLS COUNTY.

**CLOUD CHIEF FORMATION**

This formation outcrops in the northern edge of the county and in the breaks south of the South Canadian River in the northeast portion in T. 16 N., R. 21 W. and in the eastern portion in the valleys of the Washita and its tributaries. Outcrops follow the Washita River valley as far west as Tps. 13 and 14 N., R. 24 W. The Cloud Chief has been described under Dewey County.

**QUARTERMASTER FORMATION**

This formation is composed of dolomite at the base, massive lenticular sandstones in the central part and highly cross-bedded sandstones and shales in the upper part. It comprises the surface of most of the county and lies unconformably upon the Cloud Chief. Due to the physical character of the formation and the climatic environment, erosion has produced a characteristic topography. The red sandstone hillocks resulting are known as "haystack" topography. The surface is practically barren of vegetation.

**CRETACEOUS OUTLIERS**

These occur as erosional remnants in the eastern part of the county near Hamon and Carpenter and are similar in every way to those described under Custer County and lie unconformably upon the Quartermaster.

**TERTIARY GRAVELS**

These occur in at least two areas, one in the northeast part of the county in secs. 3, 4, 9, and 10, T. 16 N., R. 21 W., and on the northwest slope of the largest of the Antelope Hills. In these gravel deposits *Equus* and *Elephas* remains have been found which are probably Miocene. Other isolated outcrops of these gravels may occur.

**QUATERNARY SAND AND GRAVELS**

Quaternary formations occur as gravel deposits along the western edge of the county and cover the divides eastward between South Canadian, Washita, and North Fork of Red rivers. The surface of these deposits is covered with scrub timber. Recent alluvium is abundant in the Washita Valley and also the valley of the South Canadian. These gravel deposits are a source of "sweet" water. As in other areas of western Oklahoma most of the water is saline or gypsiferous. The character of these deposits of gravel is similar to that described under Blaine County except that they are coarser.

**Subsurface Geology**

Very little is known concerning the subsurface stratigraphy of Roger Mills County for the few wells drilled have not reached any

producing horizon to this date. Those formations which have producing horizons occurring to the northeast and south of this area should lie at great depths since this county lies in the bottom of the Anadarko Basin. The interpretation of subsurface conditions from data available at the surface is difficult to interpret because of the complex cross-bedding and slumping within the Quartermaster and the absence of mapable horizons in the overlying Quaternary gravels and sands.

The following series of logs of wells drilled in this county reveal the general character of the subsurface formations.

*Log of Principle Oil Co., Barker No. 1 well, SE 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec. 3, T. 13 N., R. 26 W., Roger Mills County.*

[Elevation 2,248 (2,387)]

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Sand shale gyp & red bed	0	600	Sand rock	2080	2100
Brown shale	600	660	Broken lime	2100	2143
Gyp	660	706	Gumbo	2143	2197
Sandy lime & gyp	706	848	Sandy black shale	2197	2208
Crystalized sand rock	848	908	Hard sand show of oil	2208	2222
Broken sand shale and salt	908	974	Rock salt & brown shale	2222	2230
Hard shale & lime	974	1087	Blue shale & ? ?	2230	2248
Gumbo & boulders	1087	1308	Broken shale & rock salt	2248	2600
Hard sand & salt	1308	1497	Gumbo shale & boulders	2600	2789
Gumbo	1497	1548	Shale & shells	2789	2814
Brown shale & rock salt	1548	1601	Sandy shale & shells	2834	2898
Crystalized sand rock	1601	1628	Trace of gas		
Sandy shale & lime	1628	1758	Blue shale gumbo & shells	2898	3000
Gumbo & boulders	1758	1768	Hard lime	3000	3010
Hard lime & sandy shale	1768	1889	Blue shale	3010	3200
Red rock & shale	1889	1932	Slate	3200	3243
Sandy lime	1932	1992	Sandy lime	3243	3267
Shale & gumbo	1992	2016	Blue shale	3267	3340
Sandy lime	2016	2045	Slate	3340	3360
Hard shale	2045	2080	Blue shale	3360	3400
			Total depth		3400

*Log of Porter Syndicate, Kendall No. 1 well, SW 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 sec. 28, T. 14 N., R. 23 W., Roger Mills County.*

(Elevation 1,910)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Quick sand	0	56	Gyp—lime	365	440
Pack sand—shale	56	80	Lime rock	440	500
Hard shale	80	106	Sandy lime rock	500	540
Hard red sand	106	255	Lime—gyp	540	594
Red shale	255	290	Broken sandy lime	594	639
Boulders—shale	290	365	Red rock	639	692

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Sandy lime rock	692	760	Sand lime	1772	1774
Blue—red shale	760	799	Blue sand shale	1774	1780
Tough gumbo	799	871	Gumbo	1780	1800
White rock	871	889	Sandy shale	1800	1830
Sandy lime rock	889	900	Sticky mud	1830	1840
Hard shale	900	972	Fresh water sand	1840	1849
Gumbo—bldrs.	972	1000	Hard sand	1849	1853
Tough sticky shale	1000	1057	Water sand	1853	1858
Hard red shale	1057	1088	Blue—red shale	1858	1894
Gumbo—bldrs.	1088	1102	Broken blue lime	1894	1923
Rock salt	1102	1125	Hard sandy shale	1923	1956
Sand rock	1125	1150	Gyp—lime	1956	1968
Hard dry shale	1150	1269	Water sand	1968	1980
Hard rock white	1269	1314	Blue—red shale	1980	1995
Hard sand rock	1314	1397	Red sandy shale	1995	2002
Rock salt	1397	1410	Hard shale lime	2002	2040
Blue lime rock	1410	1450	Red—blue shale	2040	2055
Hard red rock	1450	1509	Blue lime	2055	2070
Hard sand rock	1509	1565	Lime shell	2070	2076
Hard white rock	1565	1625	Lime—shale	2065	2080
Boulders	1625	1634	Blue—red shale	2084	2092
Gumbo	1634	1641	Brown sand	2092	2098
Hard rock	1641	1664	Blue—brown shale	2098	2102
Red sand rock	1664	1672	Blue—red shale	2102	2112
Hard sand rock	1672	1689	Sandy lime—gyp	2112	2130
Blue shale	1689	1696	Brown shale	2130	2140
Hard white rock	1696	1715	Sandy lime	2140	2157
Blue shale—bldrs.	1715	1724	Chocolate clay	2157	2160
Blue lime	1724	1740	Blue sandy lime	2160	2165
Hard lime	1740	1758	Brown sand	2165	2168
Blue shale—bldrs.	1758	1763	Chocolate clay—sand	2168	2170
Hard sandy shale	1763	1772	Brown sand	2170	2172

*Log of Morton & Co., L. Dean No. 1 well, NW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 sec. 32, T. 16 N., R. 22 W., Roger Mills County.*

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red rock	100	120	Gyp lime	767	771
Red sand	120	150	Red shale	771	825
25 bailers water			Blue shale	825	852
Rer rock	150	165	Red rock	852	864
Red sand	165	180	Blue shale	864	898
3 bailers water			Red rock	898	1174
Red shale	180	200	Gyp rock	1174	1175
Red sand HFW	200	300	Red rock	1175	1195
Red rock	300	360	Gyp shell	1195	1197
Gyp rock	360	362	Red rock	1197	1880
Red rock & shells	362	450	Brown shale	1880	1884
Sand red	450	480	Red shale	1884	2019
Sand is dry			Blue shale	2019	2060
Red rock	480	624	Red shale—T. D.	2060	2365
Gyp lime white	624	675			
Red rock	675	680			
Gyp rock	680	715			
Red rock	715	760			
Blue shale	760	767			

The hole was not finished caused from fishing job loosing one jt. 10 pipe & 2 jts. 8 1/4 pipe which is the reason for plugging same.



Log of Mutual Oil Co. Wilson No. 1 well, cen. S. 1/2 N. 1/2 NE. 1/4 SE. 1/4  
sec. 1, T. 16 N., R. 21 W., Roger Mills County.

(Elevation 2,266)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Surface	0	67	Blue shale and shell	1218	1226
Sand	67	97	Red shale hard	1226	1259
Red beds	97	140	Rock	1259	1264
Red beds	140	170	Red bed	1264	1301
Red beds	170	230	Red bed & shale	1301	1369
Red rock	230	240	Rock	1369	1378
Red beds	240	265	Hard limy shale	1378	1418
Red rock	265	275	Hard sandy shale		
Red beds	275	300	broken	1418	1502
Sand rock	300	307	Brown shale	1502	1508
Gyp	307	310	Broken lime & sandy		
Red beds	310	314	shale	1508	1564
Rock	314	365	Red bed	1564	1588
Broken rock	366	376	Shale & shell	1588	1610
Red beds	376	382	Rock	1610	1617
Rock	382	385	Broken & sandy shale	1617	1640
Pack sand	385	391	Sandy lime & hard		
Red bed	391	410	shale	1640	1680
Rock	410	426	Sandy shale & red		
Red rock	426	437	bed	1680	1688
Red sand	437	445	Gypsum	1688	1692
Red bed	445	451	Sandy shale	1692	1704
Rock	451	466	Sandy shale & red		
Red bed	466	475	hard beds	1704	1730
Rock	475	490	Broken red beds &		
Soft sand	490	535	hard shale	1730	1747
Rock	535	538	Hard red bed	1747	1793
Sand rock	538	547	Hard sand & red		
Red beds	547	565	bed	1793	1811
Soft sand	565	576	Brown shale	1811	1820
Rock	576	585	Hard sandy shale	1820	1835
Red bed	585	591	Red shale	1838	1840
Rock	591	595	Hard sand	1840	1847
Red bed	595	600	Sandy shale & hard		
Rock	600	610	sand	1847	1861
Red beds	610	615	Hard sand	1861	1866
Hard rock	615	641	Broken shale & shell	1866	1878
Soft sand	641	644	Hard shale	1878	1890
Rock	644	674	Shale & red bed	1890	1905
Lime	674	780	Gumbo	1905	1911
Rock	780	806	Red bed	1911	1922
Gyp	806	809	Hard sand	1922	1929
Gumbo	809	815	Hard shale & shell	1929	1940
Red bed	815	820	Hard sand	1940	1948
Gyp & rock	820	837	Red bed	1948	1959
Hard rock	837	839	Hard sand	1959	1968
Gypsum	839	879	Broken red bed	1968	1996
Hard red shale	879	1008	Brown shale	1996	2027
Hard red bed	1008	1133	Hard shale	2027	2100
Red bed & gyp	1133	1207	Gumbo	2100	2106
Gumbo	1207	1218	Hard sandy shale	2106	2136

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Shale	2136	2160	Hard shale	2992	2995
Gumbo	2160	2188	Broken lime shell		
Shale	2188	2206	& shale	2995	3026
Red bed	2206	2260	Lime	3026	3041
Shale & slate	2260	2279	Broken shale	3041	3045
Red bed	2279	2290	Broken lime	3045	3054
Shale & shell	2290	2303	Lime	3054	3077
Red bed	2303	2363	Gumbo	3077	3080
Hard slate	2363	2368	Shale	3080	3088
Red bed	2368	2396	Lime	3088	3096
Broken shale &			Shale	3096	3108
shell	2396	2409	Broken lime	3108	3116
Red bed	2409	2556	Broken lime &		
Red bed & gyp	2556	2582	shale	3116	3146
Red shale & hard			Broken shale & shell	3146	3180
sand	2582	2587	Sand rock	3180	3190
Red bed	2587	2593	Gumbo & shale	3190	3205
Red shale & sand	2593	2633	Lime	3205	3208
Hard shale & slate	2633	2794	Shale & lime shell	3208	3228
Hard shale & gyp	2794	2864	Sand rock	3228	3235
Sand & slate	2864	2866	Gumbo & shale	3235	3240
Hard shale & gyp	2866	2934	Sand rock	3240	3242
Lime	2934	2941	Broken & lime	3242	3287
Hard shale & lime	2941	2963	Rock broken	3287	3319
Lime	2963	2967	Blue shale	3319	3321
Hard shale	2967	2972	Rock	3321	3383
Lime	2972	2976	Viola rock	3383	3386
Hard shale	2976	2985	Rock—T. D.	3386	3526
Lime	2985	2992			

Log of Roxana Pet. Corp., Selba well, CWL. NE. 1/4 NE. 1/4 sec. 9,  
T. 16 N., R. 21 W., Roger Mills County.

(Elevation 2,219)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Red shale	0	310	Red shale	972	1085
Gypsum	310	325	Gyp & red shale	1085	1090
Red shale	325	540	Red shale	1090	1150
Red sand	540	567	Blue shale	1150	1165
Gypsum	567	569	Red shale	1165	1270
Red sand	569	650	Red rock	1270	1435
Red shale	650	690	Red mud	1435	1950
Blue shale	690	700	Red blue bands	1950	1970
Red shale	700	740	Hard brown shale	1970	2100
Gypsum	740	747	Red and blue shale	2100	2130
Red brown shale	747	765	Brown shale	2130	2250
Gypsum	765	795	Blue shale	2250	2332
Red shale	795	805	Red shale	2332	2345
Gypsum	805	858	Brown shale	2345	2352
Blue shale	858	875	Blue shale	2352	2381
Red shale	875	895	Brown shale	2381	2725
Blue shale	895	905	Hard gray lime	2725	2726
Red shale	905	970	Brown shale	2726	2750
Gypsum	970	972			

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Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Brown & blue shale	2750	2885	Blue shale & shell	3360	3375
Blue shale	2885	2985	Blue shale & black shell	3375	3385
Hard lime	2985	3005	Blue shale & shells	3385	3435
Lime shell	3005	3009	Lime and shale breaks	3435	3450
Blue shale	3009	3090	Gray white lime	3450	3570
Lime	3090	3095	Lime & shale	3570	3595
Blue shale	3095	3115	Gray lime & shale	3595	3655
Lime	3115	3120	Blue shale & shells	3655	3730
Blue shale	3120	3270	Gray lime	3730	3890
Blue shale & shell	3270	3325	Blue-black shale	3890	3900
Blue shale	3325	3330	Gray lime	3900	3930
Blue shale & shell	3330	3345	Blue shale	3930	3940
Blue shale	3345	3360	Gray lime—T. D.	3940	4055

*Log of Bu-Co-Oil Ref. Co., Garnett No. 1 well, SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec. 27, T. 17 N., R. 21 W., Roger Mills County.*

(Elevation 2,175)

Formation	Top	Bottom	Formation	Top	Bottom
Surface	0	40	Small showing of gas at 811'		
Sand and gravel	40	132	Approx 1,000,000.		
Sand & rock	132	156	Soft sand rock	875	900
Red sand	156	306	Gumbo	900	915
Rock	306	310	Shale & sand	915	950
Red sand	310	420	Sand rock	950	985
Rock	420	430	Shale	985	1014
Sand	430	440	Sand rock	1014	1047
Rock	440	445	Shale	1047	1085
Sand	445	493	Gumbo	1085	1243
Rock	493	500	Hard gray rock	1243	1251
Soft rock	500	560	Sand rock	1251	1293
Soft rock layers & sand rock	560	575	Gumbo	1293	1309
Gyp rock	575	580	Hard gray rock	1309	1438
Rock sand & layers of rock	580	615	Shale & sand	1438	1498
Rock sand & layers	615	625	Hard gray rock	1498	1527
Rock	625	632	Hard rock	1527	1532
Sandstone	632	688	Shale & shell rock	1532	1600
Sand	688	700	Shell & Gumbo	1600	1640
Gyp rock	700	705	Rock	1640	1670
Sand	705	710	Shell & rock	1670	1890
Rock chalk	710	763	Rock	1890	1900
Soft sand rock	763	870	Shale	1900	2008
Gumbo sand rock	870	875	Rock	2008	2010
			Shale	2010	2153
			Total depth		2153

#### Structural Geology

Roger Mills County lies at the bottom of the Anadarko Basin and most of it north of the axis. Accurate regional dips are difficult to determine for they are very low. They dip southwest in the northern part of the county and northeast in the southwestern part.

Numerous structural irregularities have been mapped and some wells have been drilled but most of those drilled have proved dry or have disappeared in depth. A large structure is reported to have been detailed in the southern portion of the county in the vicinity of Berlin, Grimes, and Sweetwater. Due to the proximity of this area to the Sayre field in Beckham County there has been considerable interest manifested. Smaller structures have been reported in the north and northwestern part of the county. Time allotted for field work in this and other counties covered by this report permitted only a superficial checking of reported structures.

#### DEVELOPMENT

Numerous wells have been drilled in Roger Mills County with reported shows of gas and oil at various horizons and at shallow depths. These were, no doubt, drilled with the hope of encountering shallow producing horizons similar to those found in the Sayre field of Beckham County. Known producing horizons of surrounding areas should lie at great depths in this county because of reason mentioned before.

The table on page 53 gives a list of the wells drilled or drilling in this county up to date.

Wells Drilled in Blaine County

COMPANY AND FARM	LOCATION	DEPTH Feet	ELEVATION Feet	RESULT
Deitz Co. Matthew's No. 1	SE SE NW 20-15N-12W	887	1,762	Dry
Okomo Oil Co. Enlennin No. 1	SE SE SW 21-15N-10W	2,519	1,540	Dry
		2,702 ?		
Morgan Drilling Co. F. L. Chronister No. 1	NW NW NE 7-18N-10W	3,810	1,196	Dry
The Ima Oil & Gas Co. Eberhart No. 1	SW SW SW NW 7-18N-10W	2,285	1,190	Dry
Cozart No. 1	NW NW NE 7-18N-10W	1,542		Dry
Pingery et al. Barnett No. 1	SW SW SW 23-15N-11W	3,705	1,452	Dry
		3,708 ?		
Lowen & others. Unknown No. 1	NW cor. SW NW 17-16N-11W	Spudded in		Renewing leases shut down
				Shut down
Washoma Oil Co. et al. Phillips No. 1	C NW SW 13-19N-10W	2,935		
Watonga Oil Co.	NW NW 10-16N-11W	1,021		Dry
Donnally Bros. (dt 10) Bought	SE SE 26-15N-12W	3,215		Dry
		4,500 ?		

Wells Drilled in Dewey County

COMPANY AND FARM	LOCATION	DEPTH Feet	ELEVATION Feet	RESULT
Morton & Co. Bartelsville Jessie Elder No. 1.	C. SE 22-16N-18W	3,500	2,035	Dry
McCoy et al.	NE 9-18N-15W	3,506 ?		Dry
		4,500 ?		
		4,000		
?	NE 16-9N-20W	800	2,450	Dry
?	T. 16 N. R. 14W	?		
Garfield Oil Co. Enid	NW cor. 36-19N-30W	730 ?		
Kinnsion & Small, Dallas, Texas	NW NW NE 34-20N-20W	3,800		Gas at 1,100

Wells Drilled in Custer County

COMPANY AND FARM	LOCATION	DEPTH Feet	ELEVATION Feet	RESULT
Parker et al, Robt. Ruth No. 1	C SE NW 1, 15N-15W	4,212	1,699	Dry
Price and others	SW 36, 15N-18W	4,000 ?	1,705 ?	
		4,000		Through red beds
C. N. Lainard, Wichita, Kansas	SW SW 22, 15-N16W	?		
	SE NE 30, 13N-16W	600 ?		
Empire Oil and Gas, Stone No. 1	SE SE SW 24-12N-14W	3,497	1,685	
Homaokla Oil Co. Wasman No. 1	SW SW SE 21-13N-14W	1,080	1,683	
Clay et al.	SW 21-13N-14W	1,100 ?		
Clay et al.	NE 23-13N-14W			
W. E. Witt et al Wellman No. 1	SW SE 1-14N-14W			
Day Oil Co. Miller No. 1	SE SE SE 21-14N-17W	3,508	1,770	Location Rig & Tools
			1,773 ?	

Wells Drilled in Roger Mills County

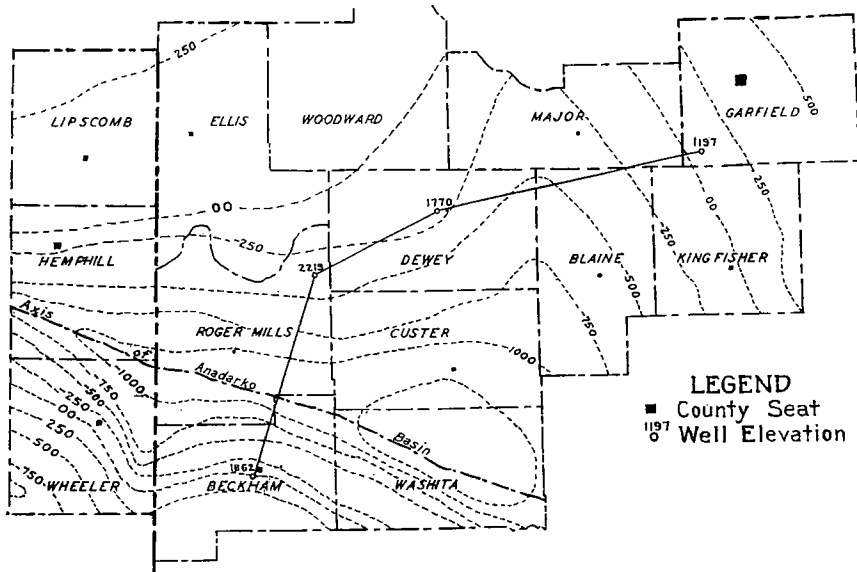
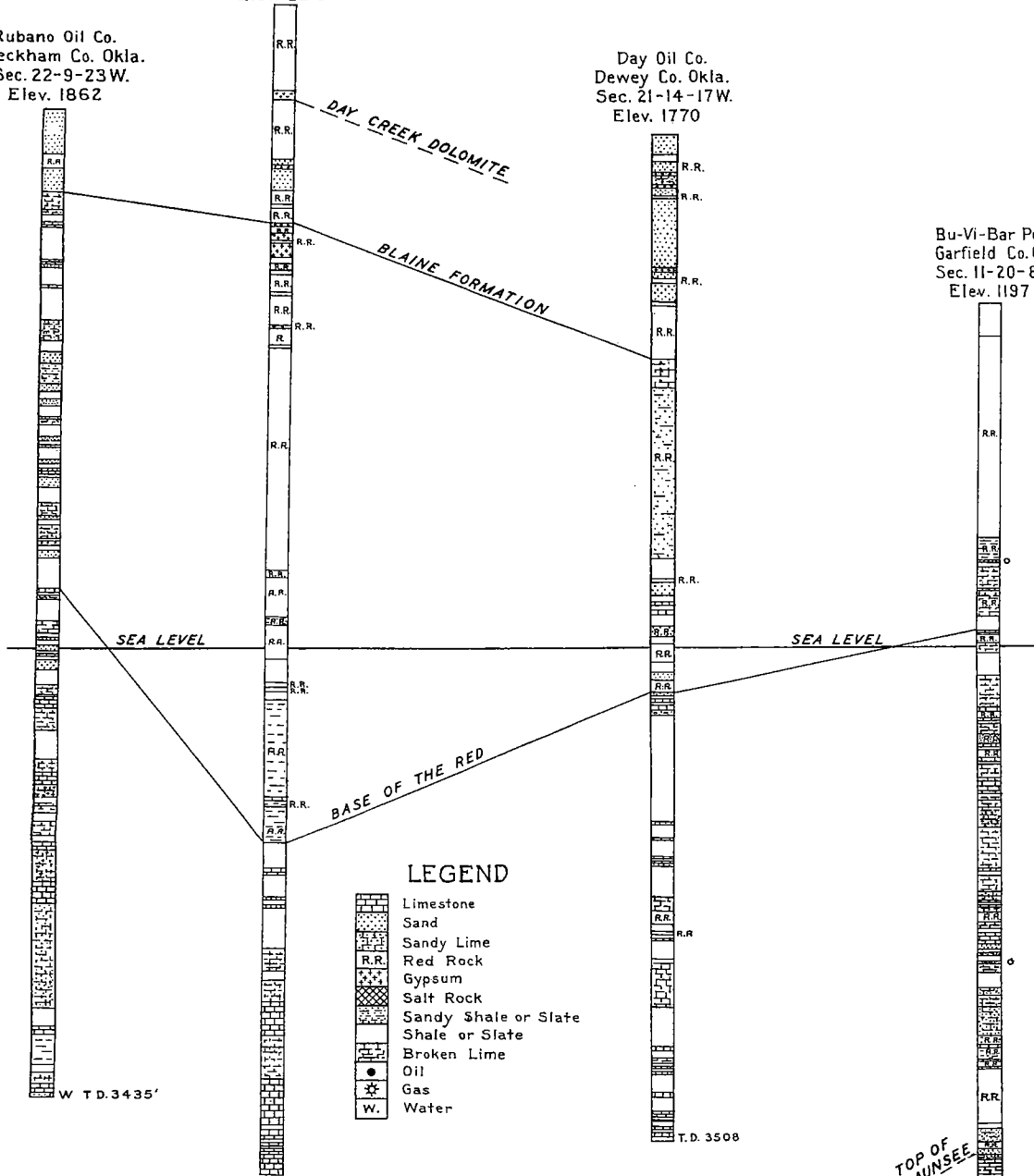
COMPANY AND FARM	LOCATION	DEPTH Feet	ELEVATION Feet	RESULT
Principle Oil Co. Barker No. 1	3-13N-26W	3,400	2,248 ?	Dry
			2,387 ?	
Porter Syndicate J. H. Kendall No. 1	SW SE SE 28-14N-23W	2,172	1,910	Dry
			1,795 ?	
Morton & Co. L. Dean No. 1	32-16N-22W	2,365		Dry
Mutual Oil Co. Wilson No. 1	C. S 1/2 N 1/2 NE ?			
Roxana Petroleum Co. W. E. Selba No. 1	CWL NE NE 9-16N-21W	4,055	2,219	Dry
Bu-Co Oil Co. Garnett No. 1	SE SW SE 27-17N-21W	2,153	2,175	Dry
		2,175 ?		
Bucy and Stone, Williams No. 1	C SW 23-12N-24W	2,245		Drilling Shut Down
L. C. Hivick, Davis No. 1	C NW NE 4-11N-26W	2,905		
J. J. Rook, Shotwell No. 1	4-11N-26W	2,316		

Roxana Pet.  
Roger Mills Co. Okla.  
Sec. 9-16-21 W.  
Elev. 2219

Rubano Oil Co.  
Beckham Co. Okla.  
Sec. 22-9-23 W.  
Elev. 1862

Day Oil Co.  
Dewey Co. Okla.  
Sec. 21-14-17 W.  
Elev. 1770

Bu-Vi-Bar Pet.  
Garfield Co. Okla.  
Sec. 11-20-8 W.  
Elev. 1197



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