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(New Mexico Oil) McKinley County New Mexico Drawn and For Sale By H.W. Brose, Gallup, New Mexico

Stock#: 58991 **Map Maker:** Brose

Date: 1915 circa
Place: Gallup, NM
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG+

Size: 20 x 15.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Early Oil Drilling in New Mexico

Detailed map of McKinley, County, New Mexico, prepared to illustrate oil producing wells in the region.

The map identifes Producing Wells, DrillingWells, Water Wells and "Locations".

The majority of the producing wells seems to be in the area called Seven Lakes Fields. A number of pencil x's are shown in the area of Hosta Butte, northeast of Ft. Wingate and east of Baker's Store. The area shown includes Fort Wingate, the Zuni Indian Reservation, Cebolleta Grant, Bartolome Fernandez Grant, Felipe Tafoya Grant, Igancio Chavez Grant,

H.W. Brose was a Metallurgical Engineer working in Gallup, New Mexico.

Oil in the San Juan basin dates to Seven Lakes field, a 1911 discovery on the south-central Chaco slope in McKinley County. *The Oil and Gas News*, December 23, 1920 (page 37), noted:

Belief that there will be a big drilling campaign in New Mexico is not based on reports, but already, in the Seven Lakes district in the northwestern quarter of the state, material is being unloaded for beginning work as soon after the end of the winter season as possible. Rotary tests may be made in the spring, as one of the larger companies has already shipped one of that type of drills to the Seven Lakes field.



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While the Seven Lakes field is a shallow proposition, it is announced by some companies that they will make deep tests in the hope of a richer sand. There are more than a score of producing wells in this big field now, all at a depth of less than 500 feet.

One of the largest developers operating in this area is J. M. Danziger of the Pan American Petroleum Co., of California. Mr. Danziger, who is one of the biggest producers in California and Mexico, has expressed confidence in the New Mexico fields and 1 is planning to take part in the new work there next year..

Detailed Condition:

Blue print map with minor loss along one fold.