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**OIL AND GAS PROSPECTING OUTSIDE SOUTH-
EASTERN ILLINOIS**

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BOND COUNTY

In Bond County the Ohio Oil Company will start a test at the northwest corner of the Neidhamer farm, Sec. 30, T. 5 N., R. 4 W. (Old Ripley Township). A coal test in the SW. corner Sec. 19, T. 5 N., R. 4 W., found the coal about 85 feet higher than a test in the NE. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 18, T. 5 N., R. 4 W., and 50 feet higher than the test in the NE. $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 28, T. 5 N., R. 4 W. This test will be of considerable interest as a good thickness of Chester beds may be expected, and the sands in the Chester have proved very productive in other parts of this State. The extent of the area of high coal is not yet known.

MONROE COUNTY

The Ohio Oil Company's test on the Waterloo anticline, Sec. 2, T. 2 S., R. 10 W., has been delayed but is expected to start very shortly. The Waterloo anticline was originally described by a Press Bulletin published some weeks ago.

JACKSON COUNTY

Near Ava, on the Campbell Hill anticline originally described in State Geological Survey Bulletin No. 35, it is understood that the Mid-Egypt Oil and Gas Company found a good show of oil in their latest gas well.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Near Long Point a test by Baker et al reached the "Trenton" at 262 feet and went through it at 600 feet into the St. Peter sandstone. The hole was located on the LaSalle anticline but the Trenton showed no oil. It had a capping of only 44 feet of Maquoketa shale.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

The Ohio Oil Company will soon start a test about one and one-half miles north of Butler in T. 9 N., R. 4 W. The occurrence of "kerosene springs" at places in this locality, as described in State Geological Survey Bulletin No. 28, makes this test of interest.