

Billy Ryan had an experience with gasoline the other night that he will long remember. He had about 200 gallons in new tanks that were leaking badly. He came to town and got barrels to save what might be left by the time he returned, and getting home after dark, had to have a lantern to work with, but hung it up some distance from the tanks. The plugs had been removed from the tops of the tanks to prevent an explosion, but the air all around was loaded with gas from the ground that had been so thoroughly soaked all day, and a gasoline explosion in the open air was the result. Fire caught in the tanks and consumed what oil there was left. Billy says the experience was well worth the 150 gallons of oil he lost. No one was hurt.—Aneta Panorama.