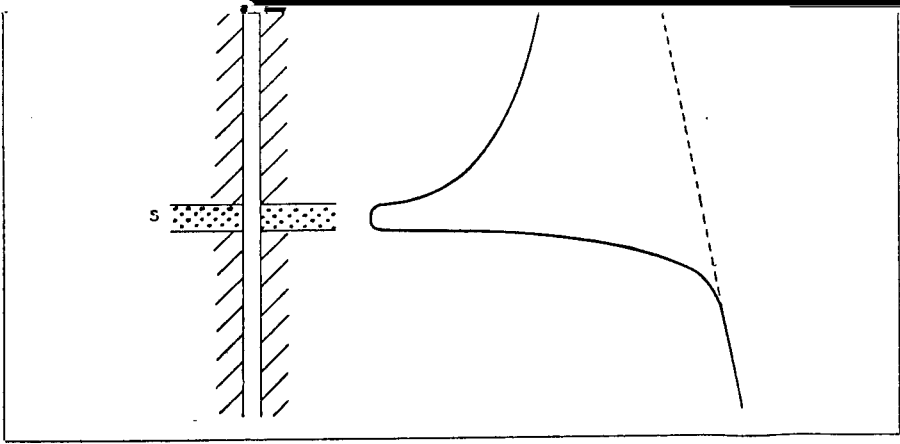


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of the mud at any point of the bore is greater than the formation pressure. Therefore, there is generally no fluid intrusion from the beds penetrated into

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Figure 6-1 (top). Temperature anomaly produced by gas entry (hypothetical).

Figure 6-2 (bottom). Depth-temperature graph in a well producing a large quantity of gas from a high-pressure reservoir (hypothetical).

imposed on that described above.

example, if the quantity of gas released by S' is much less than that released by S, the temperature graph is basically as

to suppress or reduce the amount of water which is produced from many oil wells it is necessary first to locate the

Figure 6-4. Depth-temperature graph in a cable tool well having penetrated two gas sands (hypothetical).

Figure 6-6 (lower left). Temperature graph from a West Texas well having penetrated porous dolomite containing oil and gas.

Figure 6-7 (upper right). Temperature graph from a West Texas well having penetrated a fractured lime section containing oil and gas.

Figure 6-8 (lower right). Depth-temperature graph in a flowing well.

After Van Orstrand, 1930. Courtesy API





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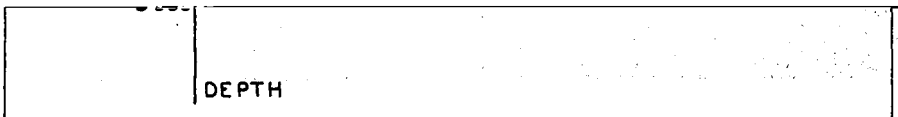


Figure 6-10. Depth-temperature graph of a West Virginia well.
After Van Orstrand, 1918. Courtesy West Virginia Geological Survey

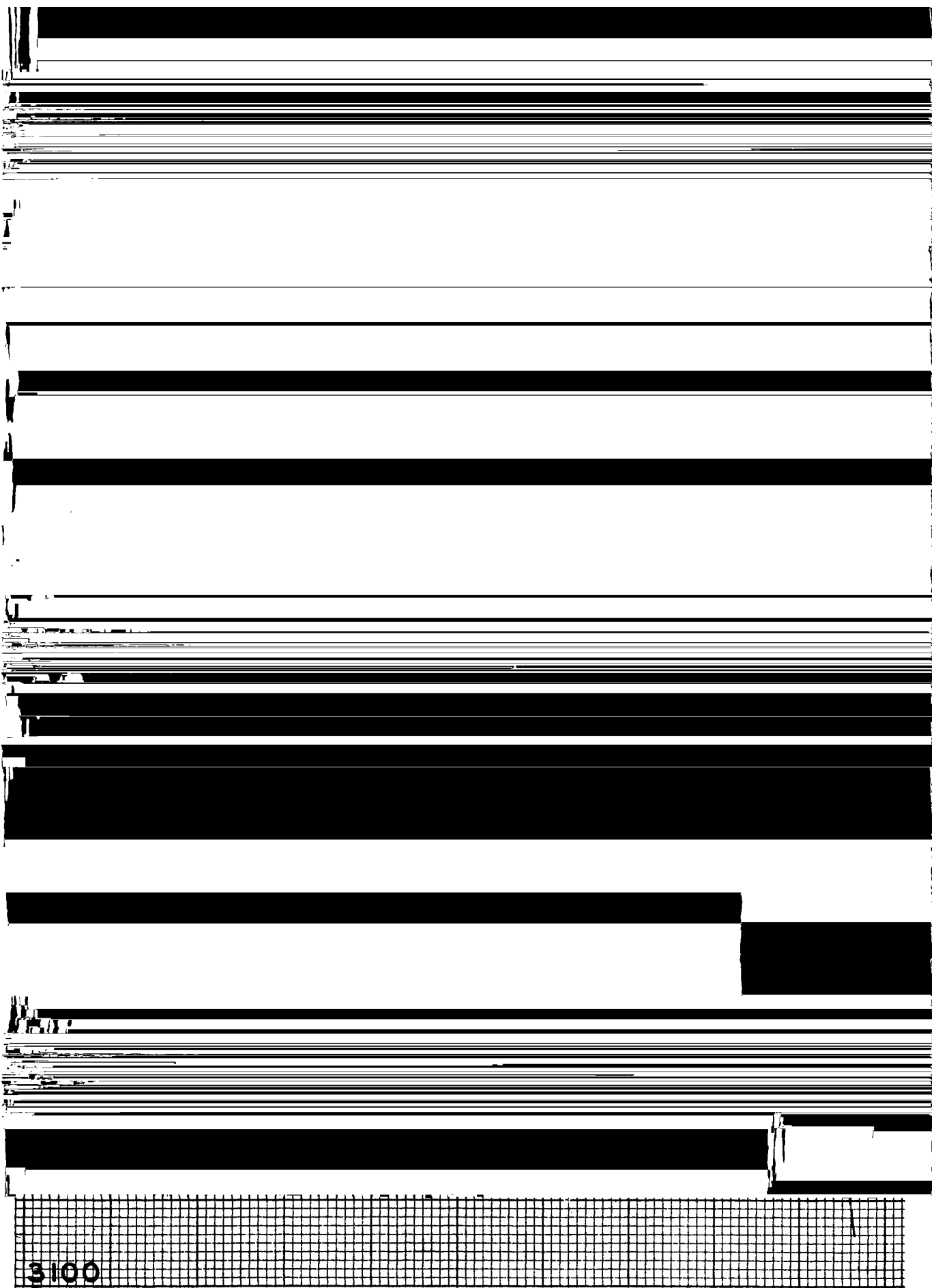


Figure 6-12. Location of a water flow in a California well.

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