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12 April 1940, "Die Chemische Industrie," No. 15

Albanian oil production is supposed to have reached an average of 19,000 tons per month.

13 July 1940, "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," No. 335

The principal oil reserves in Albania are in the Devoll Basin, which covers an area of about 700,000 hectares. According to most recent reports, 343 Italians and 1,600 Albanians are employed there. Daily production is about 6,700 barrels, or about two million barrels (around 275,000 tons) per year. About 100 wells are in operation.

The pipe line to the coast has three pumping stations. The line consists of steel pipes about 20 centimeters in diameter, laid one meter below the surface of the ground. Even in cold weather the three pumping stations can handle the full capacity of 6,700 barrels. In summer, one or two of the pumps can be shut down.

The crude oil is stored in Valone in underground tanks, to be loaded for export.

6 November 1940, "Kolnische Zeitung," No. 566/7

At present 500 wells are operating in Albania and about 200 additional ones are being sunk per year. The wells now operating are producing over 300,000 tons of petroleum per year.

14 August 1941, "Der Neue Tag," Prague, No. 224

Test borings made in the Patoe region have given good results and it is planned to start production. Reserves are estimated at 1.2 million tons. It is also estimated that exploitation of oil shale will yield another two million tons.

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