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MEMORANDUMOIL TRACES AT CAMBRIDGE

Mr. F. W. Evans of Rosetta reported on December 5th, 1957, that he had seen traces of oil in the Cambridge area, four to five years ago.

A visit was made to the area with Mr. Evans on Friday, December 6th, 1957.

The site is approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles north-east of Cambridge township, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north of the bend on the Richmond road ( $\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Cambridge). The spot selected by Mr. Evans lies on the gently sloping south-eastern flanks of a hill of Ross Sandstone and within about 200 yards of the dolerite contact.

There is some seepage of peaty water here but no trace of mineral oil. Mr. Evans suggested drilling a hole to 600 ft. However, his selection is entirely based on "dowsing" and is not supported by geological evidence. It is not impossible that there is oil there but it is extremely improbable, as I explained to Mr. Evans.



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