

Galwey Layton

Galwey Layton, from Greeley, Colorado, was not directly involved with oil shale development. He was a risk-taker and venture capitalist who invested in petroleum exploration, gold mining, and oil shale in the 1920s.

The Galwey Layton Collection

Although the Galwey Layton Collection is one of the smallest collections in the Tell Ertl Oil Shale Repository, it represents an interesting aspect of early oil shale developments and historical documentation of closed oil shale companies.

The majority of documents in this collection represent stock certificates of thousands of shares of oil, gold, and oil shale companies no longer in business. Interesting portions of this collection are the stock offerings making outrageous claims before the establishment of Securities and Exchange Commission, and personal correspondence between Mr. Layton and the officers of these enterprises.

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