## Figure. - 1 Petroleum and Matural Gas Resources

Areas considered to have considerable gas-producing potentialities are equally favorable, and in some cases more favorable, for oil production than is proven oil territory. The probable gas field, which extends across the central portion of Arkansas, and the western portion of the probable gas belt in Mentana, are examples. On the other hand, if the classification had been limited to oil possibilities and probabilities, a large number of areas indicated as having production potentialities would have been classified as unfavorable. Many of the areas classified as "probable" are located within possible territory because through regional studies they were found to have more favorable structural and stratigraphic conditions.

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