

A TRIUMPH OF TECHNOLOGY AND TEAMWORK

During the Middle Ages, alchemists attempted—and failed—to turn lead into gold through magic. Today, through science, Unocal is succeeding in a similar endeavor—turning lowvalue heavy oil into a premium specialty chemical: needle coke.

In a refinery, a coker is used to make light hydrocarbons from heavy crude oil or the residues of other refining processes. Under severe thermal cracking in a coker, these heavy oils release lighter liquid and gaseous hydrocarbons, leaving a solid, coal-like byproduct whose porous appearance has earned it the name "sponge" coke. Basically a low-value fuel, it brings relatively low prices.

But "needle coke," a specialized product developed over the years from sponge-coking technology, commands much higher prices. The "needle" in the name describes the appearance of the coke's crystalline structure under the microscope. It has several properties that make it a superior product for certain industrial uses.

There are about a dozen producers of needle coke in the world. Of these, only a few—including Unocal Corporation—make top grade, premium needle coke. This premium product has only one use: as the raw material in graphite electrodes that are used in electric arc furnaces to melt down scrap steel. These furnaces, which use less energy and emit much lower levels of air pollutants than traditional blast furnaces, represent a growing segment of the worldwide steel industry.

"When we say electrode, we have to qualify it as an ultra high power, or UHP, electrode," explains Dave Barth, vice president, carbon marketing, Unocal Chemicals. "Our coke finds its way into that market exclusively." There are about eight UHP electrode producers in the free world. With so few raw material suppliers, these eight needle coke buyers are always interested in another source. "That's why we have caught their interest," says Barth. "Now, it's up to us to convince them that our product performs. Actually, they take samples of the product, test them and convince themselves."

So far, electrodes made from Unocal needle coke have been tested in steel mills in the U.S., Canada and Europe. The feedback has been excellent. "It's too early to do a lot of bragging, but it looks very positive," says Barth.

In 1981, when the decision was made to go ahead with the needle coke project, the market was vigorous. However, during the period of construction of Unocal's needle coking facilities, steel making fell off. In today's market, it is imperative that Unocal's product quality be high enough to compete with the best— and it is.

"From all signs so far, there will be a very strong demand for our needle coke," says Doug Slife, manager, economics & development, Unocal Chemicals. "I base that strictly on the performance of this product. We've gotten an excellent reception from our customers. I think we'll sell everything we can produce."

Cloyd Reeg, president of the Science & Technology Division, agrees: "We are only a year into this business and we are in the position of producing the best, or one of the best, needle cokes in the world. It represents a tremendous technological success."

It is not only a technological triumph, but also a triumph of coordination and cooperation among four company groups: Chemicals, Refining & Marketing, Science & Technology, and Engineering & Construction.

At about 275 feet, the coker towers above the other equipment in the needle coking complex at the Chicago refinery.





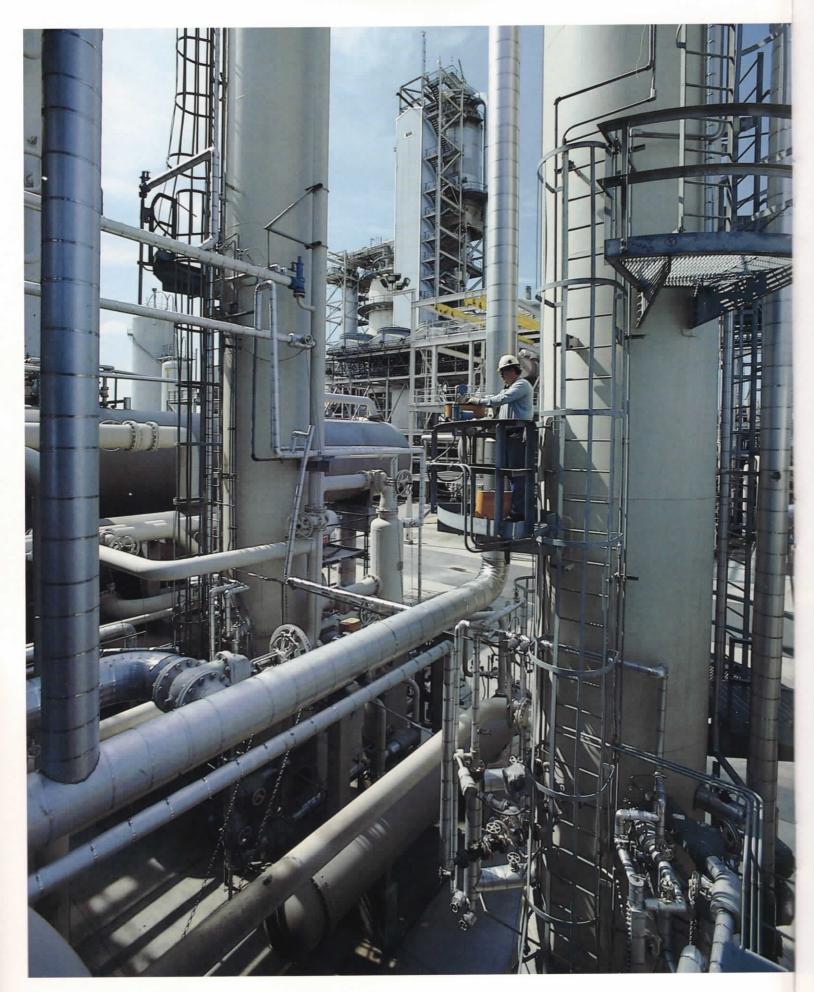
Doug Slife





Dave Barth

Keith Openshaw



The idea was born in the Chemicals Division. Science & Technology developed the process. Engineering & Construction was responsible for the design and construction of needle coking facilities. The Chemicals and Refining & Marketing divisions produce the needle coke as a joint venture.

Since the needle coker operates much like any sponge coker, the needle coking portion of the project was built at Unocal's Chicago refinery (located in Lemont, Illinois). The coke is conveyed from the refinery to the adjoining Chemicals carbon plant, where it is calcined—a process that burns off most of the volatile combustible matter left in the coke, so that the finished product is almost pure carbon. Chemicals' carbon marketing group is responsible for sales.

"Everyone has pulled together and worked hard," says Slife. "I don't think there is another project in the company that has involved so many different groups working so closely together."

Persistence has also played an important role. "In the late '60s, we became aware that there was a special type of coke that filled a certain need in the market, and that there weren't very many producers," says Dave Barth.

But the Chemicals Division's efforts to get into the needle coke business were stymied, more than once, by the problem of securing a long-term supply of a low-cost, low-sulfur feedstock to make this new coke, according to Keith Openshaw, senior vice president, Unocal Chemicals. (Sulfur causes major problems in the process of turning needle coke into graphite.) After a time, there was only one obvious solution.

"We called the major graphite producers and told them that we were going to attempt a research program in which we would use the cheapest feedstocks possible," says Openshaw, "and that we would put conversion facilities into the process to remove the sulfur and make every feedstock ideal. They were interested."

The feedstock for the needle coker—decant oil—is produced in the refinery's fluid catalytic cracker, seen here through a gas plant. So, Openshaw called John Duir, manager of process development at S&T (who has since become vice president of engineering & development). "I told Keith it would be difficult but a great challenge for S&T," says Duir.

Duir shared the challenge with Milan Skripek, supervisor of development operations. They developed a process scheme using existing technology. The idea was simple, but apparently untried by other needle coke producers. It formed the basis for Unocal's process.

A conventional desulfurization process could not be used because it would alter the molecular make-up of the feedstock, rendering it unsuitable for making needle coke. Unocal's process, protected by patent, is a unique scheme to desulfurize the feedstock in such a way that the essential molecular characteristics remain intact. Even though the basic processing concept is simple, it took almost two years to successfully work out the fine points.

"All things considered, that's not too long," says Duir. "The trick was to find processing conditions that would pull out sulfur atoms without adding hydrogen atoms. Since there are a lot of hydrogen atoms around (during desulfurization), you need to apply many chemical and engineering principles."

Before Openshaw made his proposal to the electrode manufacturers, S&T's chemicals research group had tested potential low-value, high-sulfur feedstocks (decant oils) produced by the fluid catalytic crackers at Unocal's Los Angeles, Chicago and Beaumont refineries.

"We found that we could make a decent needle coke—decent for that time—out of all of these decant oils and most of the other refiners' stocks we tested," says Mike Block, manager of chemicals research. "We were certainly highly encouraged."



Premium needle coke produced by Unocal is used to make ultra high power electrodes.

After Skripek's group began developing the desulfurization process, Block's group evaluated the treated feedstocks. Unocal's researchers had an enormous advantage at the S&T labs in Brea, California. Unlike most other companies' research labs, Unocal's facilities include both a bench-scale coker and a pilot plant coker.

Since the coker is an essential part of a refinery, Unocal had built these two experimental units to assist research on characterizing the liquid products coming out of the process. This capability proved invaluable when the emphasis shifted to the solid product of coking, since the pilot plant coker closely simulates the yields and quality of commercial-scale production. "Processes involving solids are particularly prone to changes when you try to scale-up," notes Skripek.

The bench-scale coker, which produces eight to ten pounds of coke on a given run, allowed rapid testing of many different feedstocks at relatively little expense. The pilot plant coker, which produces about 300 pounds of coke at a time, confirmed that high quality needle coke could be produced and provided the basis for the design of the commercial needle coker.

The production of needle coke is an exacting process. Even a slight variation in time or temperature can alter the quality of the coke—so Unocal's research team had to come up with just the right combination of processing conditions to make a premium product.

"We had to develop a new process to make a better material than other producers," says Slife. "As a result, I think we've ended up with a more versatile process and a unique product."

Needle coke was probably first produced in the 1950s as a high quality sponge coke with some attractive properties, according to Block. The specifications for needle coke then were primitive as compared to what they are today. Today's premium needle coke is made from a narrowly specified feedstock under tightly controlled conditions. Low sulfur content is just one of many requirements for the product. Another important property of the needle coke, and of the graphite that is subsequently produced from it, is the coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE), a measure of how much the material expands when heated.

Graphite electrodes manufactured from Unocal's needle coke are 20 to 28 inches in diameter and 24 feet long, assembled in three eight-foot sections. Each weighs about a ton. In the steel mill, a cluster of three electrodes is lowered into a furnace full of scrap steel. At the top of each electrode is a power cable and clamp. When the current is turned on, electric arcs jumping between the electrode tips and the steel create temperatures high enough to melt the scrap.

"It feels like there's a war starting when they turn on the current," says Slife. "The arc strikes between the electrodes and the steel, and it's very loud. Blue light and sparks fly everywhere. It gives you a lot of respect for what the graphite has to go through."

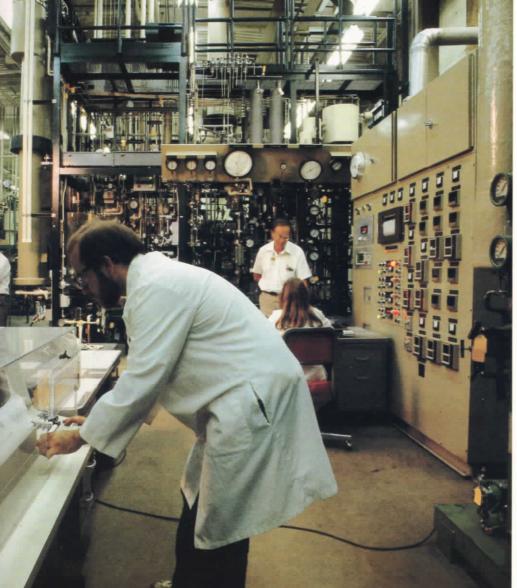
Arc temperatures in the furnace are estimated to reach as high as 10,000°F, while the upper ends of the electrodes remain at room temperature. Such stress would shatter most materials. But graphite with a low enough CTE can withstand the extreme variation in temperature, maintaining its shape and strength.

Although Unocal's process was designed to produce low-sulfur, low-CTE needle coke, the required levels dropped even lower while Unocal was still constructing its facilities. "Product quality has been a moving target since we began," says Skripek, "and the specifications continue to get more stringent."

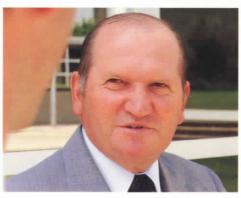
The technique to desulfurize decant oil to provide a suitable needle coke feedstock was developed in the pilot plant (right and above) at the Fred L. Hartley Research Lab in Brea, California.















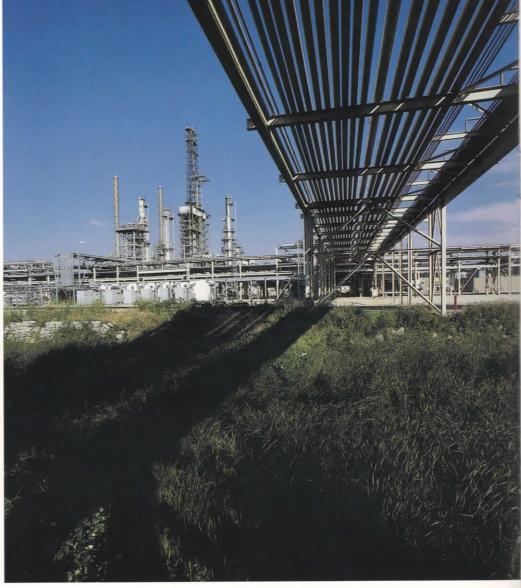


Top, Mike Block. Above, the hydrogen plant reformer in the needle coking complex. Above left, Milan Skripek. Left, S&T's Bob Miller, senior engineering associate, continues to play a key role in the development and operation of the needle coking and calcining facilities.





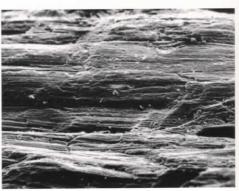
Top, Tom Carter keeps a close watch on the control board at the needle coker (top right). Above, entrance to the Chicago refinery. Right, Al Eliskalns (top) and John Bassett have headed the refinery's efforts in the project, with Gary Ephraim and Jim Ganzman (not pictured) serving as needle coke project coordinators.











When Unocal's project started in 1977, sulfur content was targeted at 0.7 percent or less. Because of improvements in electrode manufacturing, that requirement dropped to 0.5 percent by the time actual plant design began, and it now looks like it will go lower still. "These may sound like very small differences to the layperson," says Skripek, "but they are very difficult targets to meet."

The CTE requirement for needle coke has also been dropping, as steelmaking technology advances. The more power the steel maker can put through the electrodes, the hotter and more efficiently the arc furnace operates. But this puts greater stress on the electrodes and requires a very low CTE.

Needle coke has to have other very specific physical and chemical properties in order to be used in UHP electrodes. Testing how well all of these product specifications have been met is complicated by the long lag between the time the needle coke is manufactured and the time the UHP electrode is jolted into action in the steel mill.

"It's almost six months after we make the coke before we find out how good it really is," says Slife.

After the needle coke is made in the Chicago refinery and calcined at the neighboring Unocal Chemicals carbon plant, it is loaded onto trains or barges for shipment to electrode manufacturers, who may be as far away as Europe. Electrode manufacturing takes about three months. The finished UHP electrodes are shipped to steel mills all over the world.

Because of the time lag, Unocal must keep detailed records of the feedstock and the processing variables of every batch of needle coke. "The refinery and the carbon plant both have excellent computer data gathering systems," says Skripek. "So whether we've made a mistake or a good material, we know how we did it." Chicago was selected as the location for the needle coke project for two major reasons. The refinery could supply most of the decant oil used as feedstock, and the location was ideal for shipping the product. Domestic electrode makers are located in the East and Midwest, and shipments to European manufacturers can be barged down the Mississippi to ocean-going freighters.

Design and construction of the needle coking facilities took four years. Four or five different engineering firms were reviewed to find the one that could provide the optimum design for the refinery's needle coking complex. The complex consists of four units: the coker itself and three units used in treating the feedstock.

The first drum of needle coke was produced in June of 1985. Then began the process of adjusting the operation to turn out needle coke that was better than the design specifications had called for only four years earlier.

"We have to tip our hats to S&T for helping to train our operators," says Al Eliskalns, Chicago refinery manager. "They were here around the clock when we were starting up, and they still spend a lot of time reviewing our status and giving us hints to make the operation better."

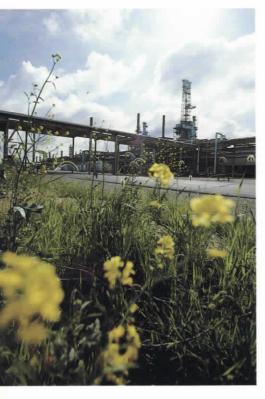
Eight process engineers from S&T were involved during the five-month start-up. Four are still working to help fine tune the operation.

The Chicago refinery is Unocal's largest and newest. It employs 700 people, including 30 who run the needle coking complex. Training was very important because of the degree of control required in the needle coking process, according to Eliskalns. And the training program has been effective, as reflected in the start-up. "It was very smooth, very well done," says John Bassett, general superintendent of operations at the Chicago refinery.



In the Chicago carbon plant's quality control lab, Mary Kay Miko prepares to test the CTE of a graphite rod made from needle coke.

Above left, black UHP electrodes glow from the intense heat produced in an electric arc furnace in a steel mill (photo courtesy of Union Carbide). Left, a microscopic view shows why it's called "needle coke."



For the refinery staff, the needle coker presents a reversal of sorts. In the usual coking operation, coke is the byproduct and the operation is geared toward getting a high volume of lighter hydrocarbons. "With the needle coker, coke is the key product and everything else is the by-product," Bassett explains.

Coking is a cyclic operation. Since coke is a solid, there is no continuous flow of product. Instead, the coke builds up inside a coke drum during processing. When one drum is full, its twin is brought on stream.

"In that sense, the needle coker runs no differently than a sponge coker," says Bassett. "It fits right into the operation of the refinery."

The difference comes in the operational window, or set of processing conditions, which must be maintained to get consistent high quality in the coke. "The controls are much tighter in the needle coker, with narrower tolerances for variation," explains Joe Wrobel, supervisor, needle coking complex.

Each steel-and-molybdenum needle coke drum has a capacity of 400 tons. When one drum is full, the top and bottom heads are removed and the coke is cut out with a stream of water under very high pressure. After the coke has drained for several hours, it is crushed and loaded onto an elevated conveyor belt which takes it half a mile to the Chemicals Division carbon plant. The conveyor is covered and heated to protect the coke.

"Unocal Chemicals is responsible for the coke as soon as it's put on the conveyor belt at the refinery," says Ron Lee, manager of the carbon plant.

As it arrives from the refinery, the coke— called "green" coke before calcining—is stored in silos to drain out additional water. In calcining, the green coke travels first through a preheater, then tumbles slowly down the length of a rotating kiln. The times and temperatures of the needle coke calcining process are critical—much more so than in the calcining of sponge coke. In fact, the needle coke project has resulted in the first installation of computerized controls in a Unocal carbon plant. The preheater alone has more than 700 control points.

In addition to increased process control, the Chicago carbon plant has had to develop a much more elaborate quality assurance testing program. "The analytical part of my job has increased six to eight times what it was when we were producing only sponge coke," says lab supervisor Frank Williams.

The CTE test, for example, takes about two and a half days. When the project was in the initial research stage, each CTE test on a new batch of needle coke took over a week.

"Over the years we've managed to shorten the time, but you've basically got to go through the same steps that the people who buy needle coke and make it into electrodes go through," says S&T's Mike Block. "And you've got to do everything right in order to have an accurate evaluation of the needle coke. What you're doing is making a miniature graphite electrode."

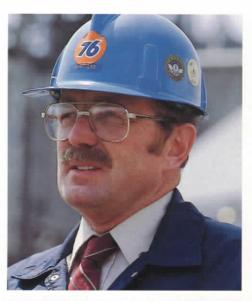
Research and development by all the participating divisions continue in order to improve yields and solve other problems involved in starting up a whole new process to make essentially a whole new product. Specifications for this premium product will continue to get tighter, and Unocal intends to produce the highest quality needle coke.

The quality of the needle coke has already given Unocal a competitive edge, even in a depressed market. But the market will grow, albeit slowly, as the steel industry continues its shift to the construction of the more efficient "mini-mill" operations using electric arc furnaces and UHP electrodes.

"We'll get our share no matter," says Keith Openshaw. "We've proven that our needle coke is as good as any needle coke in the world, or maybe better." ®









Above, Ron Lee and Joe Wrobel. Above left, the Chicago carbon plant's needle coke facilities. Left, needle coking and calcining are 24-hour operations.

Professional Car Care -Guaranteed.

Today's automobile is more sophisticated than ever, with computerized engine, suspension and other vital systems. It takes expert care to keep these cars in top condition. But finding even a minimally qualified mechanic can be tough these days, as more service stations are converting to self-serve.

Unocal has consistently bucked this trend, choosing to enhance the automotive services offered to customers. That full-service commitment has kept pace with the growing complexity of today's cars, and with the changing needs of the motoring public. In 1980, after months of research and development, the company's Refining & Marketing Division introduced 76 PROTECH in the Western Region. Many view the program as the industry prototype for auto repair service.

PROTECH—short for Professional Technicians—extends throughout California, Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Hawaii. The program provides high-quality training and certification for service station dealers and their employees. Dealers who successfully complete the program and become certified are eligible to operate their own PROTECH franchises.

What does PROTECH offer motorists? Specialty services for brakes, tune-ups, air conditioning and wheel alignments—and an iron-clad guarantee that backs the work 100 percent. If PROTECH services aren't performed right the first time, customers can take their cars to any PROTECH station and get the work redone—free of charge.

"If you get your brakes fixed in Anaheim but they start squealing when you're in Seattle, any Seattle PROTECH station will fix your brakes for free," says Bruce Knight, PROTECH's manager of automotive services. The guarantee reflects the emphasis the program's creators placed on customer satisfaction. "We didn't want to put our customers through a lot of loops to have problems corrected," says Clay Warnock, vice president of marketing, Western Region.

"Our guarantee was an absolute first in the industry," observes Bruce Plantz, who helped pioneer the program during the late '70s. "It really gives PROTECH strength."

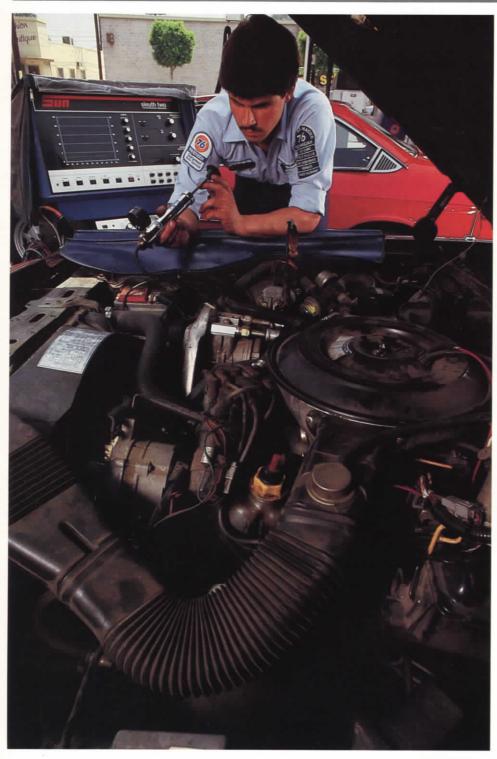
Knight, who started with the company in 1976 as a retail sales representative, was selected as the first instructor of a PROTECH class.

"A lot of mechanics have survived until now by working with knowledge obtained on their own. But they can't do that as employees of a PROTECH franchise," he explains. "Since Unocal stands behind each person's work, we want to make sure that person is highly trained and performing the job to our specifications."

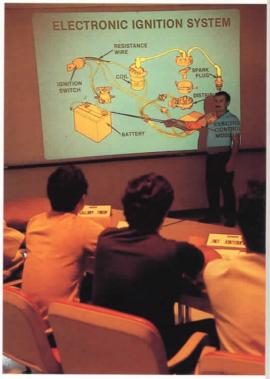
Bill Burrows, a Unocal dealer for 31 years, sent employee-son Rob through PROTECH training and feels quite pleased with the results. "The program built his confidence in doing business with customers and enabled him to perform better," Burrows says.

PROTECH training courses are conducted through the Automotive Services Training Department, which operates learning centers in Pasadena, San Diego and Hayward, California; Seattle and Honolulu. The centers offer fast-paced, performance-oriented courses for 76 station dealers and employees at both intermediate and advanced levels.

One to five instructors teach at each learning center, where class sizes are limited to assure that each trainee gets personal attention. Dealers pay their employees' course fees. All trainees are reimbursed for mileage and lodging.



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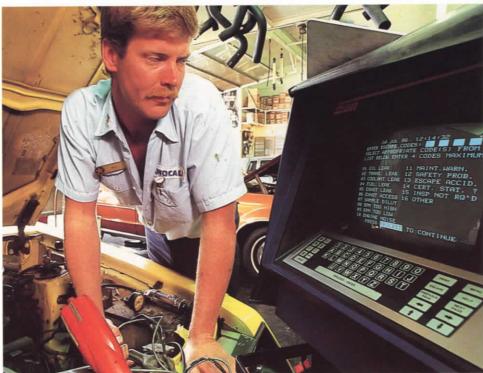


At the Unocal Learning Center in Pasadena, California, instructors like Al Schioppi (above) prepare trainees to tackle complex automotive work as PROTECH technicians (left).





Dealer Jim Dawson holds his station's PROTECH certification award. The station has also earned Unocal's Five-Star rating for being topnotch. PROTECH technicians use an "engine oscilloscope" to diagnose engine problems.



At the intermediate level, trainees review the basics of shop safety and automobile functions. Advanced courses those required for PROTECH certification—are offered in brakes, tune-ups, air-conditioning and wheel alignment.

The courses, from four to eight days long, involve both classroom learning and hands-on training in the centers' service bays. "We have created several ways to teach trainees," says Knight. "What they learn from videos in class is reinforced by actual work on cars. They get the opportunity to use state-of-theart equipment."

The most difficult segment for trainees is usually automotive electronics. "When we review our tune-up test scores by subject areas, electrically related tasks such as battery charging and ignition-system work are the weakest areas," explains Knight. "The principle concepts of ohms, amps and volts are basic but abstract, and quite hard to learn. They need to be continually reinforced.

"In the last three years we've redesigned the entire curriculum to emphasize tune-up work, where electrical concepts are used the most," he continues. "We've since seen a dramatic increase in the certification exam scores."

Mechanics who are already highly skilled can qualify for PROTECH certification without taking the training classes. They must take "the challenge" —a test which assesses their knowledge of the four major service areas. Applicants who score high enough on this test may then take the certification examination. The exam is difficult, requiring high scores on both a written portion and on a timed-repair exercise.

"The training is tough, the tests are tough, and dealers are making a substantial investment in time and money," notes Clay Warnock. "That shows us they're really serious about PROTECH. And our customers get the benefit." Dealer Jim Dawson from Burbank, California, points to a turnaround in his employees' attitudes after his station became a PROTECH franchise: "They really take more pride in their jobs. And it shows, too—our station's a lot cleaner."

Once dealers obtain PROTECH franchises, they must remain in compliance with the program's standards. Each station must have all four of the program's specialty areas covered by at least one certified technician. Accreditation lasts only two years, after which time employees must pass another test to renew their status. "Industry technology changes too fast to let it go longer than that," says Knight.

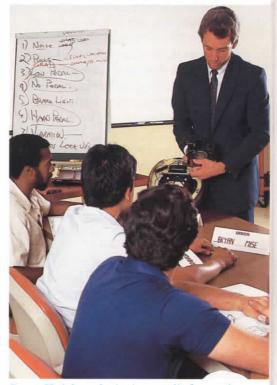
Dawson, who attended the Pasadena Learning Center's first class in 1982, praises PROTECH for emphasizing current trends. "Automobiles are quickly changing," he says. "If you don't learn the skills, you can't do the job."

Instructors visit PROTECH stations twice yearly to make sure each dealer maintains certified technicians and automotive equipment (such as computerized diagnostic engine analyzers and alignment machines) necessary to conduct all PROTECH services.

The program's guarantee policy is also carefully monitored. When customers return their cars to stations other than the original repair site, the second dealer is reimbursed by Unocal. The learning center then notifies the first dealer that additional repair work was needed.

"If we get five claims against a station for, say, tune-up work within a two-month period, that's a red flag that there might be a problem," Knight explains.

The dealers put the "real teeth" into PROTECH.



Bruce Knight, who is given credit for much of PROTECH's success, has worked with countless trainees, instructors and dealers to maintain the program's high standards.

In such instances, PROTECH instructors meet with dealers to discuss the situation. Dealers who continue to draw customer complaints may risk losing their franchises.

But the increasing number of 76 PROTECH stations suggests dealers feel satisfied with the program. Since the first learning center opened in 1980, 41 percent of the 1,479 Unocal 76 service stations in the Western Region have been certified to offer PROTECH services.

When Bruce Plantz helped develop the program, he knew it would have to reflect the dealers' goals to earn their support. So, in 1978, Plantz invited several San Diego dealers to participate in the planning.

"The company wanted a program for dealers developed in part by the dealers themselves," he explains. "We talked—sometimes argued—about what should and shouldn't be a part of the program. As a result, dealers helped form the tough standards, and put the real teeth into PROTECH."

PROTECH's forerunner was Unocal's Certified Services, begun in 1962. At that time, it was the only automotive training program in the industry to offer certification. Unlike PROTECH, the program had no formal training centers. There was also little uniformity among classes. About 20 instructors traveled to hotels and service stations throughout the west, each presenting his own personalized mini-seminar.

"When I started as an automotive instructor under the old program, I was given a station wagon, a box of slides, and maps of Nevada, Arizona and San Diego County," Knight recalls. When PROTECH debuted, it instituted changes—some of them quite drastic. Dealers, who used to get free eight-hour tune-up courses, were now paying for eight-day courses. "But they found it well worth their investment," Knight says. "We'd established a training center stocked with equipment and tools, and could provide concentrated, effective training."

Knight continues to build on PROTECH's success. "Losing touch with market demands for service can happen rather quickly—especially with cars changing all the time. We update the training program to stay on top of what's happening."

Jim Nowling, manager of marketing training and automotive services, plans to keep PROTECH's training current. He will be adding specialized high-tech courses to the advanced curriculum, including a two-day advanced fuel injection module and a computer module.

"There's more than just technical information going through these learning centers. It's an attitude and an approach to the industry that we're trying to change," says Nowling.

Knight agrees, adding: "PROTECH is doing what's needed in the industry giving firm customer guarantees, and providing ongoing training, certification and recognition for service station employees."*A.B.*®

Just before this issue went to press, Bruce Knight was transferred from Pasadena to Orange, California, as a retail area sales manager. His new duties include overseeing PROTECH programs at 76 service stations in his area.

Take it from a Pro.

Meet Denise McCluggage—former topranked auto racing star, senior editor of *Autoweek* and most recently, the first woman to receive the Ken W. Purdy Award for excellence in automotive journalism. When McCluggage talks about cars, people listen—which is one reason Unocal chose her to be PROTECH's spokesperson.

Since February, McCluggage has conducted publicity campaigns for PROTECH, an automotive service program based in the Refining & Marketing Division's Western Region. She has given television, radio and newspaper interviews in nearly a dozen major cities including Los Angeles, Seattle and Honolulu. Her message is simple: PROTECH offers a valuable service to motorists.

Denise McCluggage, former race driver, travels throughout PROTECH's seven-state area to promote the program.



"Some drivers put off regular maintenance of their cars, and that's dangerous," she says. "You've got to check your car's vital parts on a regular basis and that's where PROTECH comes in. PROTECH is designed for effective, well-rounded car care. I wouldn't be promoting the program if I didn't think it was marvelous."

With so many stations being converted into self-serve outlets, motorists may have a harder time finding car care. "But when you go to a PROTECH dealer," says McCluggage, "you find someone oriented to full service."

She notes that people are concerned about finding reliable auto mechanics, since many have had the unhappy experience of paying for substandard or unnecessary repairs.

"With PROTECH, you get certified technicians, written estimates and written guarantees," she says. "PROTECH stations have specialized diagnostic equipment that provides accurate and efficient help for hard-to-solve problems. And with guarantees honored at every PROTECH dealer—no matter where the original work was done customers get a lot of flexibility and peace of mind." McCluggage has been racing and writing about cars for over 30 years. She began her newspaper career with the *San Francisco Chronicle* in the early '50s. Women reporters were rare then. But the predicaments she sometimes faced breaking into a male-dominated field never discouraged her, McCluggage says. And she soon gained the respect and support of her peers.

McCluggage broke new ground when she became a sports reporter for the *New York Herald Tribune*. Then, women sports reporters were not always welcome in sections reserved for the press. She gained admittance to the press box to cover the Indianapolis 500 only because a reporter from the *New York Times* intervened.

"He told them that if I didn't get in, the race could do without his paper's coverage, too," McCluggage recalls, laughing. "I got in."

She soon went from writing about cars to racing them—sporting her talent in Porsches, Maseratis, Jaguars, Ferraris and other top autos. Dubbed the "Velvet Hammer," McCluggage competed for 10 years, gaining worldwide recognition for her many victories. As a race driver, McCluggage learned how to accept risks. As a journalist, she has continued to take them. Once, while doing a story on sports parachuting in the late '50s, McCluggage jumped from an airplane after only 15 minutes of instruction.

"I use fear for energy," she explains. "There's nothing like a good dose of it to clear the cobwebs and organize your directions. Risk-taking gives the moment a special vitality."

But she's been in the automotive business long enough to know that some risks aren't worth taking—including those that can be avoided through regular car maintenance. "The more you know about your car's condition, the more likely you are to be a better driver," McCluggage says.

Unocal's PROTECH program provides motorists with a dependable way to keep their cars in top condition. "PROTECH's services are a real value," adds McCluggage. "Of that I'm convinced."®



A POWER-FUL ATTRAC-TION







Dr. Mohammad Ghandehari (right), a senior research chemist at the Fred L. Hartley Research Center in Brea, and technician Kenneth McNutt measure the resistance of a neodymium magnet. At left, a view of Molycorp's solvent extraction plant at Mountain Pass, California, where neodymium and other lanthanides are separated from mined bastnasite ore.

When most people think of magnets, they think of something that picks up paper clips or holds messages to a refrigerator door. Such trifling uses of magnets could hardly be expected to draw the interest of a multibillion-dollar energy company. Unless, perhaps, the magnets were made of the most powerful permanently magnetic alloy known to man.

That alloy consists of iron, boron and a lesser-known element called neodymium. Neodymium is one of the lanthanide metals, sometimes called "rare earths" despite their relative abundance in the earth's crust.

Worldwide lanthanide reserves exceed 40 million tons. The minerals' largest source in the United States is a lanthanide mine operated by Molycorp, a Unocal subsidiary. Located at Mountain Pass, California, the mine is an otherwise undistinguished speck in the high desert country off Interstate 15, about 60 miles west of Las Vegas.

In industry, permanent magnets are not used to attract paper clips or hold messages. Mounted on drive shafts and spinning in electric fields, they are the central part of most electric motors. Produced in varying sizes, these motors are used in countless products, from stereos to appliances to automobiles.

Magnets in electric motors cause motion by creating a magnetic field. An electric current transmitted through the field imparts a mechanical force—and this force provides the fundamental power of motion in electric motors. Through magnetism, comparatively small machines can generate powerful forces easily controlled by adjusting the strength of the electric current. Industrial use of magnets is not limited to motors, however. Magnets can also raise or lower voltage in transformers and store data processing information. (Molycorp supplies neodymium to manufacturers for use in making disk drive systems for the personal computer industry.) In medicine, through a process called magnetic resonance imaging, magnets are used to photograph bone and tissue without causing the harmful effects that may accompany X-rays.

The chief virtue of the neodymium magnet is that its power can be packed into about half the space required by the more conventional ferrite or aluminum-nickel-cobalt magnets, which have been in use since the 1950s. Neodymium magnets can also replace such devices as the copper coil, which conducts electricity to an automobile's starter motor. This greatly increases efficiency by reducing the motor's size and weight.

The starter-motor application of neodymium may make its first appearance in the near future in selected domestic cars and light trucks. Other potential automobile applications include electric motors that run windshield wipers, power windows, air conditioners and stereo systems.



Molycorp's Mountain Pass mine is the world's largest source of lanthanide metals.

Despite its rapid rise to prominence, neodymium is no lanthanide-comelately. The mineral was discovered more than a century ago, and has found varied applications in glass products, decorative tableware and color television screens. But the magnetic properties of the neodymium-iron-boron alloy were only learned of three years ago, in research conducted mainly by General Motors and Sumitomo Specialty Metals Co., a Japanese firm. Their efforts caused something of an awakening through a broad spectrum of industries.

That awakening has not been lost on Molycorp, which lays claim to a huge deposit of neodymium at Mountain Pass. "The neodymium is contained in bastnasite, which has an abundant supply," says R. Gene Dewey, president of Molycorp. "Technology for processing the ore has been developed over the past 20 years. In addition to Molycorp, other suppliers around the world are equipped to convert neodymium-containing ores into useful metals and alloys. In the future, production can be expanded to meet market demands."

Molycorp intends to be wellpositioned to meet those growing demands. In Washington, Pennsylvania, the company's processing facilities produce neodymium of 96-percent purity. In addition to supplying neodymium metal and chemical compounds, the company has also begun to produce alloys. And at Unocal's Science & Technology Division in Brea, California, scientists conduct ongoing research to aid development of advanced lanthanide magnets. "The basic thrust of our research is to find ways of making lanthanide magnets more economical," says Dr. Mohammad Ghandehari, senior research chemist at the Fred L. Hartley Research Center in Brea.

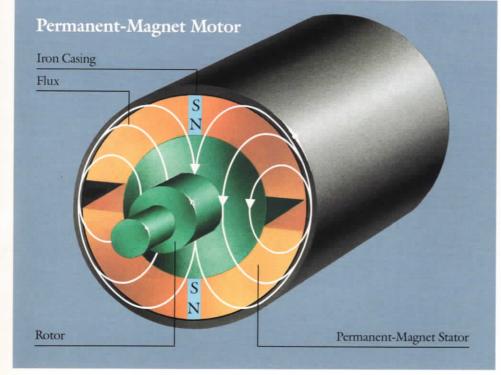
Ghandehari and his associates are approaching this task from two directions: working to find more cost-efficient methods of manufacturing the magnets, and exploring new ways to further improve their performance. Current research is focusing on the addition of dysprosium, another lanthanide found at Mountain Pass, which appears able to boost the magnetic properties of neodymium alloys.

Experts in the electric motor industry foresee an expanding range of uses for the neodymium magnet. Prospective applications include use in power tools, home appliances, electric generators, stereos, computers and robotics.

The neodymium magnet's power, light weight and versatility are not the only attributes industry finds appealing, however. Because of the relative abundance of neodymium, iron and boron, the new magnets are more economical to produce than their predecessors. In the years to come, that advantage may prove to be the most powerful attraction of the highly promising neodymium magnets. ®



Neodymium magnets are lighter, more powerful and more versatile than conventional magnets. At bottom, a representation of a permanent-magnet motor. Such motors may find uses in a broad range of consumer products.



Bidding Farewell

In this edition of *Seventy Six*, the retirements of more than 900 Unocal employees are announced. This unusually high total—more than 10 times the normal number of retirements reported in an issue of the magazine—was due to special circumstances: the bulk of these employees chose to accept an enhanced early retirement package offered by the company.

Eligible for the offer were employees with at least 10 years of service who were 55 years of age or older as of June 30, excluding senior management. (Employees age 65 and over did not need to meet the 10-year service requirement.) Those who accepted the package had three years added to their ages and length of service for purposes of retirement benefits calculations.

Out of 1,672 employees eligible for the plan, 1,070 decided to accept. Most of these employees left the company on July 1, although some retired as early as last April and others will delay their departures until next year.

As a group, these retirees have accrued more than 32,000 years of service to the company. For this reason, and because of the special circumstances involved, retiring employees were given a series of farewell and appreciation parties in June at company locations around the nation. Some of largest were held at Unocal Center in Los Angeles, where 129 departing employees were honored during the week of June 23. Hosted by senior management, the after-work affairs were filled with fellowship, reminiscences, goodbyes, thank yous, laughter and some tears.

"Reducing our workforce wasn't an easy decision for the company to make," President and Chief Operating Officer Richard J. Stegemeier told the first evening's gathering. "We recognize that we're losing a great deal of experience, and there is sadness in knowing we won't be seeing some of you as often. But there is happiness in knowing that each of you is entering a new and exciting phase of life."

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Claude Brinegar expressed similar sentiments the following evening. "Some of you have been with Unocal 40 years and more," he said. "You've seen us grow from a small regional oil company into one that spans the world. We've been through a lot together in that time. Unocal can face the future in part because of the resources all of you have given the company."

The unique circumstances surrounding this current group of retiring employees warranted special treatment in *Seventy Six*. Here we present the retirements section, accompanied by some moments captured on film from parties across the country.

CORPORATE

Errol L. Anderson, January 1, 1958 Donald G. Andrews, May 25, 1942 John W. Barrett, August 4, 1953 Roy M. Barnes, August 16, 1948 Gerald L. Bearden, November 3, 1947 John A. Blanche, March 16, 1954 Jack Carrington, February 8, 1967 Clarine Clampitt, October 22, 1973 Mary Cook, January 10, 1967 Marjorie L. Coon, June 27, 1955 Edmund Coony, September 10, 1947 Charles G. Corley, July 1, 1957 David F. Cox Jr., May 25, 1954 Margaret Deshko, November 26, 1957 Ronald Y. Dewa, March 1, 1960 Edmond Doone, May 1, 1951 Clifford W. Dunham, August 3, 1951 Byron S. Estes, September 8, 1953 Oscar C. Eubank, December 15, 1952 Betty M. Ewing, January 2, 1973 John A. Farquhar, July 21, 1969 Ray N. Fleck, December 3, 1947 Donald C. Gearhart, March 19, 1962 Francis J. Giblin, May 14, 1979 Phillip J. Hammer, September 7, 1967 Jack Houghton, January 23, 1950 George C. Houston, December 7, 1966 Bettysue C. Hulette, June 5, 1964 Joseph Johnson, August 23, 1968 James R. Joy, June 14, 1954 Sumie Kanno, October 21, 1963 Donald J. Keller, December 2, 1963 John E. Koines, June 23, 1949 Boris A. Koneff, April 26, 1955 Robert A. Lamb, January 1, 1949 Howard N. La Pierre, July 22, 1949 Katherine M. Lawhon, Feb. 15, 1965 Gloryn McKee, April 16, 1956 Constance N. Nelson, April 25, 1969 Mary Nevis, March 6, 1952





Elaine L. Novak, September 5, 1967 Mildred E. Oman, June 1, 1948 Oren V. Owen, November 13, 1952 Bill A. Owens, January 16, 1967 John W. Park, October 21, 1951 Allan W. Percy, January 1, 1950 Norma A. Pond, October 25, 1976 John M. Reid, December 27, 1955 Frank J. Rickman, March 23, 1953 Mary T. Sasaki, August 20, 1962 Muriel J. Seyffer, May 2, 1951 Donald E. Smedley, January 7, 1954 Wilma L. Smith, January 4, 1960 Otis L. Tobey, May 13, 1947 Jerry J. Wasicek, September 11, 1950 William C. Weldon, December 10, 1950 Robert F. Woehrmann, March 19, 1968 Delmar L. Wulf, April 25, 1969 Margaret I. Young, July 28, 1952

ENERGY MINING

Georgia F. Capell, May 22, 1954 William C. Flynn, October 3, 1956 Jean M. Harnasch, May 13, 1955 Downs McCloskey Jr., March 20, 1955 Ward E. Stennett Jr., November 12, 1951 Bob J. Taylor, January 30, 1951

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Robert F. Buhl, November 12, 1945 Chih Shan Chen, January 20, 1964 Wayne A. Chisholm, February 1, 1958 Jay G. Claypool, September 1, 1948 Kenneth L. Collins, April 10, 1953 Edward C. Copelin, February 20, 1958 Louis M. Dvoracek, January 4, 1954 Max M. Ellis, June 6, 1946 Devere C. Erb, June 30, 1952 Mabel E. Ewing, September 4, 1956 E. Reinold Fett, July 14, 1955 Mildred Florence, September 23, 1967 Raymond L. Fogg, January 24, 1952 Julius Gallus, March 1, 1965 Elihu Goldish, June 17, 1960 Milton J. Gorham, January 9, 1967 Richard E. Goudie, August 31, 1970 E. Glenn Greder, May 4, 1953 Russell T. Harris, May 18, 1970 S. Hashimoto, June 1, 1965 Robert H. Hass, August 20, 1954 Robert G. Hawthorne, May 5, 1952 John E. Hines Jr., April 29, 1948 Leroy W. Holm, July 22, 1946 Ward W. Howland, December 27, 1943 Glenn E. Irish, January 14, 1957 Omer Johnson, December 3, 1951 James A. Klotz, December 19, 1960 Norman D. Koch, February 19, 1951 Thomas L. Kowalski, May 18, 1946 Roland F. Krueger, January 19, 1948 James L. Lafferty, September 30, 1944 G. Robert Love, August 7, 1969 Glenn A. Marsh, June 28, 1948 Herbert Metcalfe, February 22, 1948 Clarence J. Moderow, Nov. 21, 1959 Gordon E. Moores, November 7, 1948 Larry L. Muzzall, January 27, 1953 Ujinobu Niwa, November 2, 1948 Leo J. O'Brien, April 1, 1949 Jo Ann Odeski, February 7, 1972 H. Donald Outmans, January 17, 1957 Gordon B. Poucher, October 27, 1952 Robert C. Ransom, April 1, 1969 William D. Schaeffer, November 1, 1951 Edward Schaschl, November 2, 1948 Eugene C. Schluter, July 9, 1946 Leslie L. Sharar, May 11, 1953 Lee C. Vogel, June 5, 1951 Edwin Walker Jr., February 18, 1952

Carlyle G. Wight, July 2, 1951 Heinrich D. Woebken, January 19, 1953 Howard R. Woods, March 7, 1960 Dean A. Young, March 4, 1948

OIL & GAS

James R. Adams, August 20, 1964 James A. Allen, November 8, 1955 Robert J. Allen, January 22, 1951 Alvin A. Almgren, February 4, 1959 Martha H. Anders, July 1, 1958 Leonard J. Anderson, August 2, 1954 Thurman L. Archer, April 21, 1952 Richard A. Armstrong, January 15, 1951 J. C. Ayers, May 6, 1957 Theodore C. Bangs, June 26, 1952 Milton W. Barry, October 26, 1945 Donald C. Bates, March 4, 1953 Margaret J. Bennett, January 7, 1949 Charles J. Bergeron, September 5, 1948 Robert G. Bickel, October 8, 1951 Ralph L. Black, May 20, 1954 Emma L. Bland, June 1, 1964 William F. Bolding, November 1, 1948 Robert N. Bongard, June 11, 1951 Jack F. Bonham, November 20, 1962 Juanita H. Boyd, March 5, 1954 William L. Bradford, September 2, 1952 Nelson C. Breaux, November 6, 1946 Elvis W. Bridges, December 1, 1952 Walter S. Bridges, August 20, 1964 Grosvenor C. Brown, December 3, 1951 Charles W. Browning, June 15, 1959 Marolee B. Buettner, July 19, 1976 Tommie L. Burger, June 7, 1950 James W. Burnside, March 19, 1951 Carl R. Carlson, June 1, 1951 Fred L. Carvalho, January 1, 1967







C. Don Case, April 4, 1947. Ronald J. Cernik, December 15, 1955 Joel W. Chappell Jr., June 15, 1953 Lavada Chappell, January 3, 1956 George R. Cheyney, July 7, 1952 Raymond Choate, August 13, 1951 William R. Choate Jr., January 16, 1974 Donald R. Clark, April 16, 1950 N. E. Clark Jr., January 10, 1945 Edward C. Clay, June 12, 1949 Hollis W. Clifton, February 3, 1964 Charles R. Collins, August 19, 1946 Anita J. Connel, January 26, 1967 Gale Conner, March 18, 1947 Richard E. Cook, September 6, 1950 Claude D. Cramer, March 22, 1954 Daniel R. Crawford, September 25, 1951 Robert R. Culver, June 13, 1960 Alfred R. D'Adamo, July 6, 1971 Willard L. Daniels, September 16, 1948 Doris R. Davis, August 3, 1960 Edgar Davis, March 16, 1954 Floyd G. Delahoussaye, Jan. 15, 1970 John E. Delahoussaye, April 8, 1957 Gordon W. Deverick, June 15, 1953 Edward A. DeZonia, August 1, 1955 Ernest S. Dietrich, May 28, 1951 Clark B. Done, January 28, 1974 Carl A. Dooley, August 21, 1946 Robert S. Doughty, August 15, 1955 William L. Duhon, January 27, 1954 Allen V. Du Pont, August 1, 1950 Marvin P. Dupuy, August 1, 1958 Gloria L. Dyess, February 8, 1956 John D. Dyess, September 30, 1947 Audell L. Eaves, December 9, 1946 Harvey T. Elder, January 8, 1951 Edwin W. Elliott, March 19, 1969 George W. Elliott Jr., February 3, 1950 William T. Elliott, February 18, 1957 Emmet R. Embody, May 18, 1959 Elias H. Emiliano, November 1, 1951 Milton E. Epperson, December 16, 1947

Max A. Ervin, August 15, 1949 Joseph Farrell, November 28, 1951 Leland B. Feather, May 20, 1957 Arlington Fessler, February 6, 1956 George E. Fish, February 1, 1952 Leslie J. Ford, October 10, 1950 Kenneth S. Fox, August 1, 1965 Rayward J. Frederick, Sept. 18, 1961 Billy L. Freeman, November 22, 1965 Robert W. Gardner, May 4, 1951 William R. Gardner, April 1, 1952 Moses F. Garrett, January 17, 1951 William L. Geissert, August 29, 1948 Robert E. Glaze, July 19, 1951 Richard A. Goddard, June 21, 1948 James E. Goode Jr., May 2, 1949 William C. Goth, May 29, 1956 Philip R. Goudeau, December 3, 1962 Frederick H. Govreau, Sept. 5, 1952 Loalee C. Gratehouse, July 1, 1957 Everett W. Green, March 28, 1949 Huey C. Green, July 22, 1968 Joy Greene, June 26, 1950 Ora B. Grimes, September 15, 1969 Richard K. Gross, April 1, 1954 Raymond G. Hale, February 1, 1957 Edward A. Hall, October 8, 1945 Gerald E. Hall, August 1, 1949 Gail H. Halverson, January 3, 1956 Benjamin F. Hanly Jr., May 29, 1967 Charles R. Harris, January 29, 1951 Dellar B. Harris, June 24, 1963 Rosie Lee Hart, March 20, 1952 Imogene M. Heltzel, May 19, 1969 Marion R. Hensley Jr., February 18, 1952 Frank W. Hinson, January 1, 1964 John S. Hoffmann, May 23, 1955 Raymond F. Holsch, April 1, 1974 Cleo J. Holubec, February 6, 1956

James R. Hooper, November 3, 1941 David Horn Jr., May 1, 1947 Ralph A. Houdyshell, June 16, 1946 Wayne M. Hunt, April 13, 1947 Clarence G. Hutcherson, August 9, 1951 Hale B. Ingram, August 29, 1950 Yayeko Iwasa, September 24, 1952 Lillie M. James, January 6, 1953 Bette R. Jensen, November 1, 1951 Robert T. Jesson, September 13, 1948 Zel L. Johnson Jr., June 3, 1954 Mavis W. Jones, March 4, 1955 Roy A. Kendrick, April 1, 1951 Eugene D. King, December 1, 1971 Kenneth L. Kohal, April 12, 1948 Sophie M. Krauze, August 15, 1955 Roy E. Kreps, November 29, 1960 Edith S. La Coste, February 2, 1961 Walter C. Lam, January 11, 1954 Beulah L. Landry, June 26, 1961 Roy H. Lane, December 22, 1952 Joseph A. Lanko, September 22, 1955 William E. LeBlanc, August 6, 1955 Kerragen C. Ledet, September 3, 1946 Lawrence R. Leek Jr., April 23, 1951 Robert J. Levine, April 24, 1967 Arthur V. Lewis Jr., October 6, 1948 Julius N. Lewis, May 12, 1953 Robert R. Locke, June 30, 1953 Joseph W. Luckett Jr., June 16, 1948 Lelen C. Maddux, April 14, 1967 Emile C. Madere, June 29, 1952 Robert C. Maguire, June 21, 1949 Raymond E. Malloy, November 1, 1971 Harry Mandeville, October 30, 1940 Robert Martens, September 6, 1949 Roy W. Martens, June 8, 1948 Floyd A. Martin, December 17, 1951 William D. Massa, November 25, 1963 Edward R. Mathews, February 19, 1968 Buford E. McBride, April 16, 1947 Mary E. McCarty, September 12, 1960 Miles McJohnson, April 7, 1954 Norma J. McKelvie, November 25, 1957





Leroy A. Medeiros, July 14, 1953 Mary L. Meena, March 1, 1972 Alton J. Menard, February 4, 1952 Jack A. Menefee, September 20, 1955 Robert D. Merrill, December 7, 1953 Edmund A. Merten Jr., June 10, 1957 Richard B. Messer, October 23, 1953 Myron C. Metz, September 25, 1957 Vernon J. Michael, September 16, 1963 Ibra Miller, July 18, 1951 Daniel J. Mitchell, January 18, 1950 Bob J. Moffett, September 23, 1963 Robert J. Morton, November 10, 1952 Alva G. Mosbaugh, February 27, 1951 Bill O. Murch, June 1, 1964 Eleanor L. Murphy, May 17, 1943 James Murphy, March 17, 1948 Harold Muscio, April 8, 1947 Fred Nanini, November 2, 1945 Beverly L. Neeley, January 19, 1973 Bob R. Nelson, April 15, 1968 Ernest A. Newell Jr., July 6, 1965 Carl E. Newgreen, August 22, 1949 Donald B. Newton, March 26, 1946 James C. Newton, February 7, 1953 Barbara F. Nicholson, October 30, 1959 Dale W. Noble, April 1, 1947 Alvin E. Ochs, January 1, 1951 John H. Ojala, December 14, 1953 Jay Openshaw, October 22, 1962 Dorothy M. Osborne, March 1, 1948 Gordon E. Otto, October 16, 1950 Harlin Oxford, May 9, 1945 Kenneth G. Oxford, September 10, 1963 George Penny, October 21, 1947 William T. Peregrin, August 3, 1953 Charles G. Perryman, January 1, 1967 Francis L. Petty, December 26, 1951 Marilyn J. Peverley, February 1, 1972 Robert J. Peverley, November 3, 1951 George B. Pichel, January 2, 1952 Shirley M. Pizzo, June 14, 1976 Manuel Plocheck, July 1, 1955 Robert W. Plumb, October 6, 1950

Raphael A. Pourciau, April 1, 1966 Archer S. Pratt, April 20, 1953 Edward J. Price, March 25, 1957 Kelly J. Proctor, May 13, 1955 Clinton C. Putnam, September 14, 1948 Stockton M. Quirey, April 17, 1943 Tom W. Redin, March 28, 1955 Paul D. Renfro, November 26, 1951 Bernal D. Reynolds Jr., Dec. 4, 1950 Philip A. Rich, November 19, 1951 John M. Richart, June 24, 1957 Robert G. Roberson, August 2, 1951 Juanita W. Robinson, April 22, 1974 Maryvon T. Robinson, October 24, 1951 Alton R. Roome, April 10, 1945 Earl O. Roussel, August 21, 1949 William C. Roux, September 13, 1954 Jo Ann Russo, August 6, 1957 Howard S. Samsel, January 1, 1951 Robin A. Saunders, July 28, 1952 James G. Schaeffer, May 17, 1954 Audrey G. Scott, March 2, 1967 Murray W. Scott, October 4, 1967 Irvin E. Settoon, February 12, 1957 Wilma C. Shiner, June 26, 1961 Elton L. Shrode, May 9, 1966 Alexander Sisson, August 19, 1966 Jack L. Slater, September 2, 1954 Eugene D. Smith, May 5, 1954 Mable A. Smith, August 8, 1951 Seigler K. Smith, June 10, 1974 Ulin S. Smith, September 10, 1951 Willie E. Smith, October 16, 1949 Phillip A. Smithberg, December 8, 1953 Rita I. Sork, October 4, 1945 Julio Soto, June 10, 1966 Billy G. Spradlin, November 7, 1951 Everett C. Stangle, April 16, 1962 William E. Sullivan, February 13, 1953 Carole O. Swanson, July 26, 1956 Lonnie B. Tackett Jr., Nov. 29, 1948 Clifton A. Tannahill, June 1, 1956

Bernice A. Taylor, April 4, 1949 Claudia M. Taylor, October 9, 1968 Etha M. Taylor, October 16, 1969 Jessie G. Taylor, May 18, 1972 Charles Teague, December 1, 1971 Samuel C. Terry, January 4, 1951 Darrell S. Tetrick, November 4, 1946 Richard K. Thomas, July 1, 1948 Glenn D. Thompson, April 29, 1946 Lloyd F. Thompson, October 31, 1952 James E. Tippit, May 10, 1939 Joseph C. Toups, June 9, 1954 Paul R. Tracyk, June 8, 1970 Batson R. Trahan, June 8, 1959 Louis B. Trimble, November 27, 1950 Kenneth Tucker, May 9, 1946 Dean H. Upchurch, August 6, 1954 Mary K. Valencia, March 20, 1961 Arturo J. Valenzuela, May 13, 1965 John A. Van Auken, June 16, 1955 George W. Varnum, November 19, 1971 Clifford Vaughan, November 14, 1950 Kelly R. Vaughan, October 9, 1956 Sidney J. Vial, April 22, 1947 Richard A. Vidal, May 2, 1950 Margaret E. Vincze, February 22, 1954 Stanley Waggoner Jr., December 6, 1961 Warren A. Waguespack, Dec. 4, 1958 Raymond H. Walker, April 13, 1953 William W. Walker, December 2, 1963 Delbert E. Walrath, December 29, 1952 Charles R. Wells, April 6, 1940 Robert T. Wheeler, January 30, 1948 Alfred E. White, April 30, 1952 Julian L. White, September 10, 1962 Melvin E. Whiteday, May 9, 1955 Edward A. Wilson, August 31, 1964 Thurston Wilson, August 25, 1963 Robert S. Wilton, July 2, 1957 Kenneth Winch, January 13, 1953 James M. Workman, May 4, 1956 Neely T. Wright Jr., August 19, 1946 Margot M. Ziller, June 30, 1969 Edward Zinser, June 19, 1944 Ernest R. Zoeter, November 21, 1950





INTERNATIONAL OIL & GAS

Robert B. Bellamy, March 5, 1962 Norman B. Clark Jr., January 10, 1944 John D. Evans, May 1, 1976 George F. Fisher, April 1, 1969 Murray G. Greenwood, May 29, 1972 Robert O. Harlow, May 1, 1961 Fred R. Higgins, February 19, 1951 Carl F. Hills, July 24, 1974 Bernard W. Holub, May 14, 1956 Martha Kawa, September 16, 1957 Arnie C. Kittelson, November 20, 1973 William K. Lewright, October 1, 1955 Edward Marks, October 26, 1955 Rita E. Marrs, May 12, 1971 Donald L. Olson, November 22, 1954 Weldin R. Read Jr., July 16, 1951 Edwin C. Robinson, November 1, 1962 Allyn T. Sayre Jr., April 1, 1952 Raymond M. Shannon, Nov. 16, 1973 William L. Shumate, August 4, 1952 Jimmy D. Skiles, March 8, 1965 Jan Sobczyk, May 29, 1963 Jorge R. Souverbielle, Nov. 17, 1958 John N. Turk, September 3, 1957 Harry C. Wells, August 16, 1950

GEOTHERMAL

James E. Allison, October 9, 1972 Grant E. Kelso, November 29, 1954 Betty Lou Kinney, April 9, 1952 Jim L. Kuhn, August 13, 1963 Frank L. Lemmon, June 20, 1951 Patrick A. Nicholson, December 1, 1974 Delbert E. Pyle, October 27, 1950 Robert W. Rardin, October 6, 1966 William E. Thompson, October 17, 1973 Donald R. Walker, June 1, 1976

REFINING & MARKETING

Paul S. Adams, August 15, 1966 Clay Albright, October 23, 1940 Eddie S. Anderson, March 26, 1951 Harry L. Anderson, July 1, 1954 Frederick J. Andrews, June 22, 1942 Russell D. Andrews, September 19, 1949 Forrest E. Armstrong, July 1, 1951 Robert A. Armstrong, Sept. 24, 1951 Hugh P. Bain, March 8, 1967 Ulysses F. Baird, March 16, 1953 Glen R. Baker, February 14, 1952 Gerald L. Baldwin, March 17, 1953 Richard E. Barker, January 25, 1954 E. P. "Barney" Barnett, May 6, 1946 Kenneth L. Barry, September 11, 1962 Hebert G. Beal, November 5, 1946 Billy G. Bennett, June 13, 1960 Gordon D. Bergreen, June 7, 1954 Elsa A. Bianchin, November 4, 1946 Bruce R. Bigland, September 15, 1958 Raymond F. Billburg, February 16, 1955 Joseph M. Billecci, August 16, 1943 Farrar C. Bird, June 1, 1974 Norma A. Bird, October 1, 1973 Alban L. Birdwell Jr., June 16, 1947 Jordon R. Bledshoe, March 30, 1948 Burton R. Bley, May 3, 1954 Ruth L. Boehm, November 4, 1971 James E. Bohac, April 27, 1953 George G. Bottin, February 4, 1951 Max A. Bradberry, July 5, 1949 Jack B. Bragg, January 21, 1963 Robert W. Brandes, August 3, 1953 Dennis Brannigan, April 3, 1967 Robert H. Braun, April 9, 1951 Frederick F. Braz, October 31, 1945 Heber S. Broderick, January 30, 1960 Doris L. Brolio, June 27, 1949 Ethel M. Brown, June 8, 1953 Leslie W. Brown, June 23, 1952 Thomas L. Bruce, January 16, 1955 Lyle F. Bruhn, February 27, 1956

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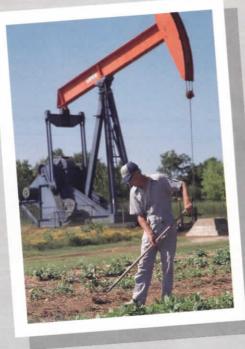
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From its early boom years (top), to its more sedate present (left), Van has thrived. Above (from left): Cleone Tunnell, Van resident Dorothy Barnes, Tom Stoy, Stacey Anderson, and Allen Jackson gather in front of the discovery well.

A Gem of an Oil Field

On the morning of Saturday, June 14, a scorching hot sun rose up in the blue skies of East Texas. By 10 a.m., the temperature had already cracked 90 degrees. But the heat didn't seem to bother the folks in Van, a small town located about 70 miles east of Dallas. This was a day of celebration here.

A large yard near the town's high school was quickly filling with Unocal employees and their families. At one end of the yard a small stage and podium were set up. Among those seated on the platform were Tom Stoy, vice president of Unocal's Oil & Gas Division, Gulf Region; Allen Jackson, manager of the Van oil field; and Cleone Tunnell, a retired Unocal employee who spent 42 years working in the Van field.

Directly behind the stage was a small oil pump, freshly painted but idle, its working days over. But this was not some old forgotten pump jack, spruced up merely for show. This was the site of Jarman No. 1—the discovery well for the Van, Texas oil field, drilled back in 1929.

The day's activities—a few short speeches, followed by a huge barbecue at the city park—were taking place to mark the dedication of Jarman No. 1 as a state historic site. There was also another small matter on the agenda: commemorating the Van field's 500millionth barrel of production, a milestone reached last March.

"It's hard to conceive of just how much oil 500 million barrels is," Allen Jackson told the gathering as things got underway. "So let me give you some perspective. If you stacked 500 million barrels of oil end-on-end, they would reach the moon and extend 30,000 miles beyond. That's the kind of production we're talking about in Van. It all began right here at this site. And the Van field isn't finished yet." It was a fitting introduction, for this day's activities were more than just a nod to the past. They were also being held to celebrate a promising future.

The town of Van itself was little more than a wide place in the road when oil men first came to evaluate the area in the late 1920s. The settlement consisted of a general store, a two-room schoolhouse and a few scattered clusters of homes. The surrounding country was typical of East Texas: sandy-soiled, rolling hills interspersed with small farms and cotton fields.

On the basis of a surface geological survey and seismic tests, Pure Oil Company (which merged with Unocal in 1965) leased 17,000 acres of land in the Van area in 1927. Exploration drilling began the following year. On October 14, 1929, oil was struck at a depth of 2,710 feet in a pasture of the W.T. Jarman farm.

News of the oil strike at the Jarman No. 1 well had an immediate and dramatic impact on the Van community. As Cleone Tunnell—who grew up in Van and was 14 years old when the discovery well hit— puts it, the Jarman strike "changed the face and fortune" of the town forever.

"After the Jarman No. 1 well came in, people literally poured into Van," Tunnell told those gathered at the well site. "Almost overnight, Van went from being a sleepy little hamlet of barely 200 to a bustling boom town of over 2,000. The roads were clogged with horses, carriages and Model T Fords. Tents and shacks were thrown up everywhere. Stores, food stands and drilling supply offices opened. It was an exciting time around here."

Drilling activity in Van has increased over the past two years.

At the dawn of Van's oil age, Tunnell, now 71, was a boy who spent his after-school hours working in the cotton fields. When school opened in 1930, Tunnell recalled, there were over 700 children enrolled from 22 states. "The school was not equipped to handle all these kids, so Pure built a new school building and brought in extra teachers. The company also built homes for the oil field workers, planted trees and improved roads."

Unruffled through all this feverish activity was Mrs. W.T. Jarman, the widowed mother of nine grown children who owned the land where the discovery well came in. Questioned about her plans by newspaper reporters shortly after the oil strike, Mrs. Jarman said she wanted to stay on her farm and take care of her chickens and pigs.

"But I may make a trip into Tyler," she added. "I need to get a new set of teeth."

Geologically, the Van oil field is a structural trap with petroleum-bearing sands sitting above a large salt dome formation. While this was not a unique structure for an oil field, it was quite unusual in another respect. Wells drilled in similar formations had produced from sand layers up to 60 feet thick. But in the Van field, the major oil-bearing zone (known as the Woodbine Sands) was more than 700 feet in thickness. In addition, Van's oil was of a paraffin base—a far higher quality crude than the sulphur-base oils typical of West Texas fields.

Aside from the volume and quality of its crude, the Van field is notable for another important reason: it was the first large oil field in the U.S. on privately owned land to be successfully developed under a "unitization" plan. Previously, oil field production in the United States had been governed by what was known as the "rule of capture." Whoever lifted the oil legally owned it. The result was often a chaotic free-for-all, with competing leaseholders drilling wells as fast as possible.

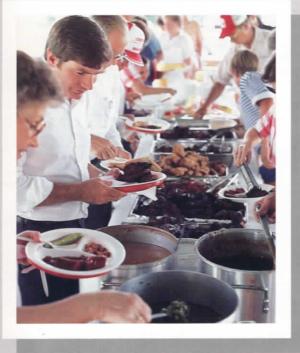
The effect of this unchecked overdrilling was to reduce reservoir pressure so quickly that production from a field often played out when only 10 to 20 percent of the oil in place had been recovered. The natural reservoir pressures were lost forever, leaving millions of barrels of oil in the ground that might otherwise have been recoverable.

In Van, however, Pure was fortunate to have leased nearly 80 percent of the acreage above the field. Because of this, the company was in a position to prevent the wasteful boom-and-bust syndrome that had long plagued the oil industry. Pure management contacted the other companies with holdings in the area, suggesting that the field be "unitized"—that one company alone handle development, with the others receiving shares of the production in proportion to their lease holdings.

In November of 1929, a unitization agreement was signed for the Van field with Pure designated as operator. The agreement quickly became a model for the industry, assuring orderly, efficient field development and maximum oil recovery and conservation.

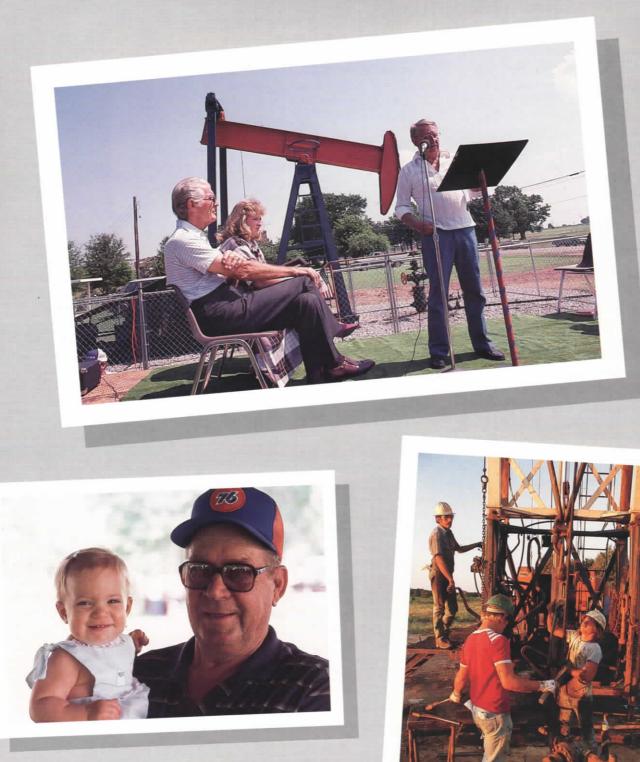
This kind of unitization arrangement is now standard procedure in the oil business. But it was a new and radical approach at the time, and it immediately bore fruit. By the end of the first year of development, the Van field had 180 completed wells, all of which were good producers drilled in optimal locations. Over the years, unitized development has increased Van's production five or six times over what it might have been otherwise. And the orderly development has helped ensure the field's continued longevity.



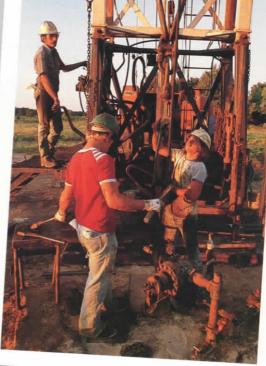




Top, a pump jack atop one of Van's 400 producing wells nods away. Bottom, Celebrants enjoy a barbeque after the ceremonies.



Top, Tom Stoy addresses the Van gathering, with Jarman No. 1 providing the backdrop." Unocal is here to stay."



Today, the Van field has 400 producing wells which lift a total of about 9,200 barrels of oil per day. (Peak production of the field was 50,000 barrels a day.)The wells produce anywhere from a few barrels per day up into the hundreds.

Most residents of Van, which now has a stable population of just under 1,900, depend on the oil field for their livelihoods either directly or indirectly. Driving around town, one gets a true sense of the bond between the community and its oil industry. In back yards, church yards and school yards, oil pumps quietly nod away as they have for more than 50 years.

Some of these wells are secondary recovery wells which use waterflooding to lift the oil. There is also some tertiary production in the Van field, utilizing polymer injection to enhance recovery. But most of the oil is still brought up using primary recovery techniques.

"The majority of the reservoirs here are water-drive reservoirs with very high recovery rates," says Allen Jackson, who works out of Unocal's East Texas Area office in Van along with about 50 other company employees. "These wells all have very low lifting costs, so none have been shut in despite the recent drop in oil prices.

"Van is really an ideal oil field in a number of ways," Jackson adds. "The petroleum here is light and sweet. The field has a relatively shallow (2,500foot) production interval. A field like Van is truly one in a million."

"Development here in Van is very low risk, with a high rate of return and a quick payout," adds Earl Champagne, area production engineer. "That's the name of the game in times like these, and that's why our activity level here is up rather than down." Indeed, drilling activity in the Van field has been stepped up over the last couple of years. Around 20 new wells have been completed, without a single dry hole. Combined with enhanced recovery techniques being applied to older wells, the new production has boosted the field's daily output by more than 50 percent. Six more wells are scheduled to be drilled during the remainder of this year. Most of these will be development wells into smaller oil traps.

"Many smaller intervals of the Woodbine Sands were ignored in the past simply because the main Woodbine interval was so prolific," Champagne explains. "Now we're going back and taking a look at some of these areas, and they're proving to be good producers."

Although Van has yielded over 500 million barrels of crude, many more millions of barrels are present in the form of residual oil that may be producible by enhanced recovery methods. In addition, oil deposits have recently been discovered at a new interval above the Woodbine Sands called the Austin Chalk.

"We drilled a well in mid-May of this year which came in at 150 barrels per day," Jackson says. "This was the first well drilled specifically into the Austin Chalk formation. It's a very encouraging success because it may open up a whole new horizon of development for the Van field."

In Van, such promising new horizons spring from the solid foundation of past accomplishments. No single success in the field's long history is more noteworthy than the Jarman No. 1 discovery well, which started everything back in 1929. Stacy Anderson, a recent Van High School graduate, was one of those given special recognition at the June 14 festivities held at the Jarman well site. During her after-school hours as a student, Anderson had undertaken the project of having the Jarman well designated a state historic site. Over a period of two years, she researched the well's history, talked with veterans of the Van field's early days, and conducted a painstaking title search on the land.

As a result of Anderson's efforts, designation of the Jarman No. 1 well as a state historic site was approved by the Texas Historical Commission. A permanent marker will be erected at the well site later this year.

"Jarman No. 1 had a tremendous impact on our community," Anderson told the gathering in Van as she recounted her project. "It is my hope that the marker to stand on this site will remind generations to come of that monumental event on October 14, 1929."

Unocal's Tom Stoy closed the morning's activities with a word of thanks to the Van community.

"I'd like to thank everyone for what you've done for us and continue to do for us here in Van," he said. "This field is one of our most prolific areas, and always has been. I can assure you that Unocal is here to stay." T.S.



Toasting a Landmark

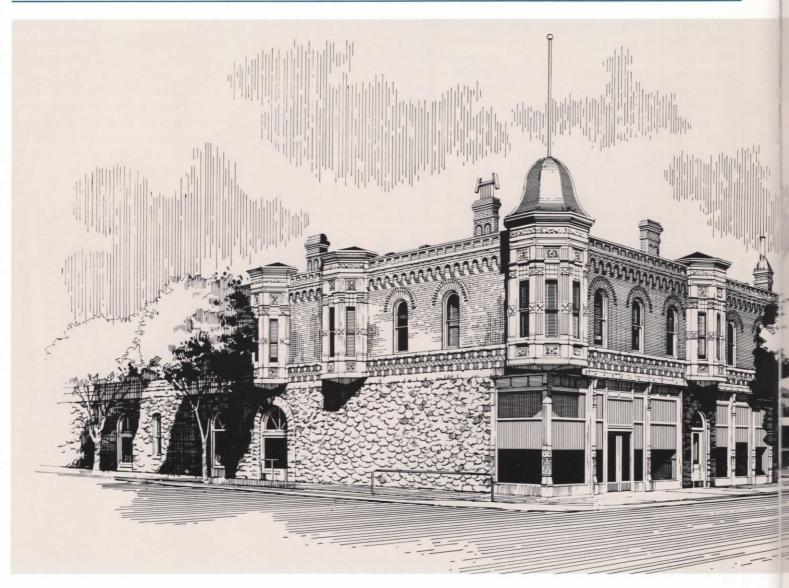


When Lyman Stewart and Wallace Hardison consolidated their interests to found Union Oil Company (now Unocal Corporation) in Santa Paula, California in 1890, they probably had no idea that its first modest corporate headquarters building would someday be a historic landmark. The two-story building, which had been completed in 1889 according to early accounts, had 12 offices on the second floor, a hardware store and a post office on the first floor.

But on a warm afternoon in July this year, Santa Paula residents, public officials and Unocal Oil & Gas employees gathered in front of the Union Oil Building for the unveiling of a plaque commemorating the building's history and landmark status. Eleanor Crouch, a member of Ventura County's Cultural Heritage Board, made the presentation to Unocal's Chuck Schwartz on behalf of Ventura County. Schwartz is vice president of the company's Oil & Gas Division, Western Region.

At the presentation ceremony, Santa Paula Mayor John Melton expressed his appreciation for Unocal's long association with the community. It was a sentiment shared by many in the crowd, including residents Bill Orcutt and Mary Alice Henderson. Their grandfather was William W. Orcutt-a Santa Paula native and Union Oil employee who became the oil industry's first professional petroleum geologist. His highly successful approach to oil exploration earned him the appellation of "father of modern oil geology." (The nearby town of Orcutt and the stillproducing Orcutt oil field were named after him.)

"People in Santa Paula are well aware that Union Oil was born here," says Ray



Barnds, manager of Unocal Oil & Gas operations in the Western Region. "They've really adopted the building. It's a great source of civic pride."

The building, which serves as headquarters for the Ventura area production office, became an official county landmark in 1977. Recently, the county's Cultural Heritage Board began issuing plaques to denote historic sites, and the Union Oil Building was among the first to receive this special acknowledgment.

"The plaque will make more people aware that the building is an actual landmark," notes Barbara Mayfield, a general clerk in Unocal's office. "The Santa Paula community is really thrilled that Unocal received this recognition."

Wider recognition may soon be forthcoming. Efforts to get the building included on the National Register of Historic Places have been encouraged by the State Historical Resources Commission's recent approval of the application. Final approval from Register officials in Washington D.C. is now pending. (The building's historical value has already been recognized by both the City of Santa Paula and the Santa Paula Historical Society.)

The National Register, which lists structures such as the Ventura County Courthouse and Los Angeles City Hall, recognizes buildings for their architectural and historical value. "The Union Oil Building has a tremendous amount of both attributes," says Judy Triem, who has authored a book on Ventura County history. "It's the only structure in Santa Paula that's remained largely unchanged since the 1800s. The building has quite a rare style." To many people, the building symbolizes past and present ties linking the company with the community. It was built at a time when architecture was decorative as well as functional. The second-floor rooms, for instance, retain the flavor of the old days. Each of the dozen, high-ceilinged offices where Stewart, Hardison and other company pioneers once conducted business has a fireplace-for heat, not show-richly adorned in the style of the day with imported relief tiles and carved wooden panels. Cast iron hinges and doorknobs grace the dark oak doors. Cupola windows, jutting out toward the street, accent some of the offices.

Of course, time hasn't stood completely still. Today's employees work with electric typewriters, computers and other equipment quite unimaginable to 19th-century oil men.

Perhaps the building's best-known





The Union Oil Building in Santa Paula, California (left) attracts thousands of visitors every year. Above, Unocal employees and other members of the community attend a ceremony to honor the landmark.





feature is the California Oil Museum on the first floor. Opened in 1950, the museum was created by veteran employees who wanted to preserve the company's past. They dug through old files and even old oil fields to find and restore dozens of items, including tools, photographs and other artifacts.

Once inside the museum, most visitors are first attracted to the huge wooden cable-tool drilling rig, predecessor to today's high-powered rotary rigs. Curator Ben Potts, a Santa Paula resident for 51 of his 84 years, greets visitors and points out other items of interest. In addition, there is a recorded tour which describes the museum's artifacts and captures the spirit of daily life in the oil patch in the old days.

The building's first floor also houses a re-creation of a 1933 Union Oil station. Two antique gasoline pumps set against a painted background are visible through a large window. The scene also depicts the station's office, where an attendant's blue 76 cap rests on a wooden radio. Old-time auto products and accessories, such as Edison Mazda lights, Union Oil Motorese oil and Neverleak tire fluid, are included in the display. For those who wish to make a detailed comparison of past and present, a modern 76 station is located conveniently next door to the museum.

The oil museum, open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday, provides an important source of oil history. More than 30,000 people visit the site each year, many of them schoolchildren and tourists.

"The oil museum is vital because there's a limited number of such displays," explains Barnds. "It allows people to see how things were during the industry's early boom days. It's a real wonder —comparing those crude tools with the sophisticated technology of today."

How does it feel to work in such a historic setting? "I love it," says Roger Dombrowski, area production superintendent. "Working here at the Santa Paula office really makes the company's history come to life." ®

Clockwise from left: a reception followed the award ceremonies; an office cupola window invites nostalgia; Chuck Schwartz and Bill Orcutt in the building's California Oil Museum; Eleanor Crouch and Mayor John Melton display the plaque.



Service Awards

CORPORATE

July 1986	
30 YEARS	Jeanne E. Brady, Unocal Center Rufus P. Van Zandt, Unocal Center
	Carole K. Lawing, Unocal Center Reynold T. Schmidt M.D., Unocal Center
10 YEARS	John M. Westrup, Unocal Center
5 YEARS	Tanasue Armstrong, Washington, D.C. Steven R. Holt, Richmond, Ca. Harvey H. Klee, Unocal Center Teresa A. Pinkney, Unocal Center Lizabeth Schlemer, Unocal Center Peter E. Slack, Los Angeles, Ca.
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10 YEARS	Maria T. Arangure, Unocal Center Becki Benavidez, Unocal Center
5 YEARS	Justine P. Bell, Unocal Center

Leticia O. Castillo, Unocal Center George S. Griffiths, Unocal Center Gary L. Heath, Bremer, Ca. Julie A. Kazmierczak, Schaumburg, Il. Rosalind Morton, Unocal Center Jennie A. Ruiz, Unocal Center Richard J. Vroom, Schaumburg, Il.

ENERGY MINING

July 1986	
15 YEARS	William D. Pasma, Parachute, Co.
5 YEARS	Thomas J. Bassetti, Parachute, Co. Rodney W. Prow, Parachute, Co. Daniel R. Roybal, Rawlins, Wy.
August 19	36
5 YEARS	Jennifer C. Stettner, Parachute, Co.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

July 1986		
40 YEARS	Leroy W. Holm, Brea, Ca. Eugene C. Schluter Jr., Brea, Ca.	
35 YEARS	Dean Sandford, Brea, Ca. Carlyle G. Wight, Brea, Ca.	
30 YEARS	Juanita B. Shedrick, Brea, Ca.	
20 YEARS	Gary W. Sjogren, Brea, Ca. Carl F. Snider, Brea, Ca.	
	Garri, Sinder, Dica, Ga.	

15 YEARS Donald E. Babcock, Brea, Ca.

10 YEARS	Allan W	. Perry, Bre	a, Ca.
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5 YEARS Harold W. Alcorn, Brea, Ca. June M. Bostich, Brea, Ca. William R. Coyle, Brea, Ca. Donald K. Drummond, Brea, Ca. Darlene R. Gossick, Brea, Ca. Chau M. Ha, Brea, Ca. Phillman N. Ho, Brea, Ca. Jeff J. Jetter, Brea, Ca. Garry D. Jones, Brea, Ca. Marcelo C. Maurin, Brea, Ca. Gary D. McDonald, Brea, Ca. Sandra H. Minner, Brea, Ca. Anthony J. Nadratowski, Brea, Ca. William M. Neill, Brea, Ca. Marie A. Nixon, Brea, Ca. Thomas R. Ralston, Brea, Ca. Donald C. Van Slyke, Brea, Ca. Arthur F. Walden III, Brea, Ca. Jeff Y. Wu, Brea, Ca.

August 1986

20 YEARS	Harlan G. Gray, Brea, Ca.	
15 YEARS	Douglas E. McCorkell, Brea, Ca.	
5 YEARS	Suheil F. Abdo, Brea, Ca. Edward F. Armoneit, Brea, Ca. Patricia J. Arrioja, Brea, Ca. Stacy E. Cabral, Brea, Ca. Patricia A. Herrera, Brea, Ca. David C. Jacobs, Brea, Ca. Thor A. Johnson, Brea, Ca.	
	Harry P. On, Brea, Ca. Alice Tang, Brea, Ca. Ramon D. Vera, Brea, Ca.	

ENERGY RESOURCES

OIL & GAS

July 1986

- 35 YEARS Robert E. Glaze, Casper, Wy. Ibra Miller, Lafayette, La. Love G. Walker, Ardmore, Ok. 30 YEARS Lawrence B. Folks, Worland, Wy.
- John A. Grimes, Santa Paula, Ca. Phil Hyatt, Brea, Ca. Ralph G. Ladd Jr., Casper, Wy. Carole O. Swanson, Pasadena, Ca.
- Auvie A. Bailey, Midland, Tx. 25 YEARS Raymond E. Criswell, Taft, Ca.
- 20 YEARS Duane E. Mesh, Mobile, Al. Alan R. Peck, Santa Paula, Ca. James D. Schlottach, Orcutt, Ca. Dale R. Shawcroft, Houston, Tx. Barry G. Wilson, Unocal Center

15 YEARS	James W. Benson, W. Liberty, Il. Charles D. Cooper, Kenai, Ak. Alfred R. D'Adamo, Casper, Wy. Richard B. Gomez, Lafayette, La. Jerry J. Hough, Cisne, Il. Susan M. Krause, Anchorage, Ak.
10 YEARS	Marolee B. Buettner, Ventura, Ca. Scott M. Bush, Taft, Ca. Jacqueline L. Campbell, Bakersfield, Ca. Lee W. Carroll, Houston, Tx. Richard L. Dunham, Orcutt, Ca. Roy W. Fulwider, Ventura, Ca. Cyrena P. Hellman, Pasadena, Ca. David W. Mautz, Ventura, Ca. Ruben H. Perez, Coalinga, Ca. John W. Schanck, Houston, Tx. John R. Underhill, Ventura, Ca.
5 YEARS	Gerard P. Bellaart, Carpenteria, Ca. Charles D. Cavit, Ventura, Ca. Herbert D. Chisum, Santa Paula, Ca. Mary T. Contreras, Unocal Center Jane D. Deblieux, Lafayette, La. Terry P. Duhon, Lafayette, La. Priscilla B. East, Lafayette, La. Brenda L. Edwards, Oklahoma City, Ok. Matthew J. Evans, Pasadena, Ca. James L. Finley, Ventura, Ca. Jack W. Fulford, Snyder, Tx. Thomas J. Harris, Lafayette, La. Linda R. Naas, Lafayette, La. Ralph A. Lilburn, Oklahoma, Ok. Myron L. Nicholson Jr., Orcutt, Ca. John R. Lutz, Casper, Wy. John H. Noll, Casper, Casperteria, Ca. Jeffrey J. Tokarsky, Midland, Tx. James P. Sweeney, Carpenteria, Ca. Jeffery J. Tokarsky, Midland, Tx. Tania M. Torres, Pasadena, Ca. Dale R. Troyer, Cisne, II. Zenis M. Walley Jr., Orcutt, Ca. Albert C. Zilske Jr., Carpenteria, Ca.

August 1986

40 YEARS Charles R. Collins, Pasadena, Ca. Carl A. Dooley, Houston, Tx. Neely T. Wright Jr., Snyder, Tx.

35 YEARS	Raymond Choate, Lafayette, La. Clarence G. Hutcherson, Houston, Tx.	
	Anna L. Lannin, Pasadena, Ca.	
	Jack Perry, Van, Tx.	
	Robert G. Roberson, Houston, Tx. Mabel A. Smith, Houston, Tx.	
30 YEARS	Darrel A. Redfern, Orcutt, Ca.	
	Glen E. Roberts, Santa Paula, Ca. Carl E. Waller, Orcutt, Ca.	
25 YEARS	Edward L. Marker, Midland, Tx. Gloria A. Tekampe, Midland, Tx.	
20 YEARS	Doreen H. Jung, Unocal Center	
	Alexander Sisson, Anchorage, Ak. Jimmy D. Thompson, Orr, Ok.	
	Dennis L. Vener, Placentia, Ca.	
15 YEARS	Ernest D. Barbee, Cisne, Il.	1
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	Ronald D. Burt, W. Liberty, Il.	1
	William J. Cessnun Jr., Kenai, Ak.	-
	Arthur J. Guillotte, Mobile, Al. Tom Y. Joe, Oklahoma City, Ok.	
	Mary Lou Meyer, Unocal Center	
	Antoinette Ross, Bakersfield, Ca.	2
	Paul Ben Sellers Jr., Houston, Tx.]
10 YEARS	Gregory H. Blake, Ventura, Ca.	5
	Alfred Chavez, Taft, Ca. Patrick R. Collins, Mobile, Al.	
	Dwight E. Johnson, Kenai, Ak.	-
	Stephen C. Leaf, Taft, Ca.	1
	Daniel L. McDonald, Mobile, Al.	-
	Gary L. Smith, Taft, Ca. I. Kaye Sowell, Lafayette, La.	
	Michael F. Spier, Orcutt, Ca.	
	Jack M. Timmerman Jr., Kenai, Ak.	
5 YEARS	Dixie A. Arrington, Midland, Tx.	
	Edward Cantu, Carpenteria, Ca.	- 1
	Keith H. Carlton, Houston, Tx. Paul D. Close, Carpenteria, Ca.	j
	H. Ron Dennett, Carpenteria, Ca.	57
	E. H. Dever III, Snyder, Tx.	ī
	Charles L. Drake, Bakersfield, Ca. Benny G. Duncan, Van, Tx.	਼
	Janet L. Eisert, Casper, Wy.	
	Ray E. Farmer, Carpenteria, Ca.	
	Albert K. Frowiss, Carpenteria, Ca.	
	Peter J. Gerend, Midland, Tx. Frank E. Gillespie, Casper, Wy.	
	Roger K. Hamson, Casper, Wy.	
	Terri M. Harrison, Midland, Tx.	5
	Michael S. Honaker, Anchorage, Ak.	7
	Owen M. Hubbard, Carpenteria, Ca. Raul Jimenez, Carpenteria, Ca.	
	Jerry W. Johnson, Carpenteria, Ca.	ļ
	George D. Johnston, Anchorage, Ak.	
	John W. Kaikainahaole IV, Huntington Beach, Ca.	
	Joe R. Karstetter, Houston, Tx.	
	Lesley J. Lege, Lafayette, La.	
	Daniel D. Lim, Unocal Center	
	Amy Jo Lynn, Midland, Tx. Lawrence Mancini, Carpenteria, Ca.	
	George Y. Martinez, Snyder, Tx.	
	Russell R. Peterson, Santa Paula, Ca.	
	Robert A. Pettit, Carpenteria, Ca.	
	Dwayne H. Robichaux, Houma, La.	
	David M. Sager, Clay City II	
	David M. Sager, Clay City, Il. John C. Sowell,	
	John C. Sowell, Huntington Beach, Ca.	-
	John C. Sowell,	5

Service Awards



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35 YEARS	Weldin R. Read Jr., Unocal Center
30 YEARS	Robert J. Corsaro, Unocal Center
15 YEARS	Darrell D. Chessum, The Hague, Netherlands Clara G. Healy, Unocal Center
10 YEARS	Weldon B. Hatcher, Balikpapan, Indonesia
5 YEARS	Aubrey L. Freeman, Unocal Center Douglas B. Neal, Aberdeen, Scotland
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5 YEARS	Cary C. Chen, Los Angeles, Ca. Easing C. Chen, Los Angeles, Ca. Trevor D. Gauld, London, England Karolen I. Paularena, Unocal Center

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uly 1986

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15 YEARS	Sjamsiar Ilhard Badal	
10 YEARS	Wandowo Suwarno Badrus Sukarno Dirman Zainal Mashuri Evie Rumampuk Fredy Sulawesiyanto Jefriet Johannis Tampi Hadi Arief Wijaya	
5 YEARS	Iskandar Mahmud	
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10 YEARS	Kamaruddin
	Sarwanto
	Johnny Marthin Affidon
	Muh Álwi Ar
	Wellem Aru
	Firman AS
	M. Hairy
	Alexander Kabe
	Arsyad La Ressa
	Thamrin P
	Masdari Seman
	M. Sirajuddin
	Andi Bakri Sultan
	Ishak Bidang Tandilo
	Daud Toding Tiranda
	Baba Toding
5 YEARS	Zainul Arif
	Palmer Marbun
	Bambang Mudjiono
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Unocal Suez

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10 YEARS Maher Gamal

Unocal U.K.

July 1986	
5 YEARS	Calum Cordiner, Aberdeen, Scotland William Moir, Aberdeen, Scotland Maureen Robertson, Aberdeen, Scotland
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10 YEARS	James Annand, Aberdeen, Scotland Sheila Ewen, Aberdeen, Scotland

UNOCAL CANADA LIMITED

July 1986	
10 YEARS	James F. Allan, Calgary, Alta.
5 YEARS	Christopher S. Barton, Calgary, Alta. Florence A. Lanigan, Calgary, Alta.
August 198	86
5 YEARS	James F. Ressler, Calgary, Alta. Randy A. Woolston, Red Earth, Alta.

UNOCAL THAILAND, INC.

July 1986		
5 YEARS	Vera Kaewsonthi Phayao Klinboon Supaporn Kongthong Lamon Lumpupornprasith Verasak Prasertvattanakul Kenneth M. Sevinski	
August 198	86	
15 YEARS	Gerald L. Beebe	
5 YEARS	Duangrat Bhumichitr Richard A. Leveque William T. McClung Jr. Rapeeporn Suksavang	

GEOTHERMAL

July 1986	
10 YEARS	Ross H. Denton, Santa Rosa, Ca. James V. Vantine, Santa Rosa, Ca.
5 YEARS	Douglas P. Bouche, Imperial Valley, Ca. Barry R. Carlson, Santa Rosa, Ca. Gary E. Gunderson, Santa Rosa, Ca. Larry W. Keyser, Santa Rosa, Ca. John F. Matthew, Santa Rosa, Ca. Stephen G. McCoy, Santa Rosa, Ca. Eric D. Steger, Santa Rosa, Ca. Bennie C. Walkup, Santa Rosa, Ca. Debra A. Wheeler, Santa Rosa, Ca. Richard M. Wilson, Imperial Valley, Ca.
August 198	86
10 YEARS	Michael W. Woodall, Santa Rosa, Ca.
5 YEARS	Charles D. Achee, Imperial Valley, Ca. Peter Cocova, Imperial Valley, Ca. Harrison R. Crecraft, Santa Rosa, Ca. Mark A. Magers, Unocal Center Gilbert R. Malcomb, Imperial Valley, Ca. Michael T. Moore, Imperial Valley, Ca.

Philippine Geothermal, Inc.

July 1986

10 YEARS Romeo O. Buenaflor Jose C. Ceriola Gil C. Competente Leonardo Ó. Policarpio Job D. Salazar Raquel C. Salazar **5 YEARS** Ernesto A. Bingayen Rodolfo R. Dorosan Jr. Jessie C. Kallos August 1986

10 YEARS Franco B. Cleofe Antonio A. Jayme

5 YEARS	Mario D. Bamba
	Bienvenido B. Bron
	Antonio C. Calmada
	Felicisimo B. Cantes
	Efren C. Cerio
	David B. Claudio
	Nepthalie C. Climacosa
	Tito C. Consuelo
	Oriel C. Credo
	Reyes C. Deocareza
	Salvador C. Deocareza
	George M. Espinosa
	Mary Flor G. Hernando
	Arthur C. Jaromamay
	Danilo A. Pablo
	Felix C. Trinidad
	Andres R. Victoria
	Ma Fe L. Villadolid

REFINING & MARKETING

May 1986

15 YEARS	Dorothea Mason, Schaumburg, Il.
July 1986	
35 YEARS	Kenneth R. Barton, Schaumburg, Il. Richard D. Dolan, Schaumburg, Il. Hayden H. Jones Jr., Los Angeles, Ca.
30 YEARS	Maria E. Brown, Los Angeles, Ca. Nyla J. Musterman, Los Angeles, Ca. Sharon R. Rodriguez, San Francisco, Ca.
25 YEARS	John S. Rossiter, Los Angeles, Ca.
20 YEARS	Carol J. Greenawalt, Schaumburg, Ca. Joel E. Witzman, Los Angeles, Ca.
15 YEARS	John G. Chapman, Los Angeles, Ca. Michael J. Dougherty, Los Angeles, Ca. Remedios B. Soriano, San Francisco, Ca.
10 YEARS	Graciela Contreras, San Francisco, Ca Delfina R. Moses, Schaumburg, Il.
5 YEARS	Glenda H. Carter, Houston, Tx. Margaret A. Pfeiffer, Schaumburg, Il.
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30 YEARS	W. E. Branstrom, Los Angeles, Ca.
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25 YEARS Janet G. Berghahn, Schaumburg, Il. John L. Dealy, Fair Oaks, Ca. Julius C. Herklotz, Garland, Tx. Ethel L. Spiniolas, Schaumburg, Il. Marian D. Tumpa, Schaumburg, Il. Wilda M. Turner, Schaumburg, Il.

Service Awards



20 YEARS Randie C. Y. Chang, San Francisco, Ca.

- 15 YEARS Sandra J. Hoedel, Schaumburg, Il. Nancy McGlory, San Francisco, Ca. John H. Meeker, Schaumburg, Il. Larry E. Shafer, San Francisco, Ca.
- 10 YEARS Patricia A. Malanowski, Schaumburg, Il. Susan R. Ott, San Francisco, Ca.
- 5 YEARS Maritza S. Eyzaguirre, San Francisco, Ca. Lilianna Z. Jackowiak, Schaumburg, Il.

EASTERN REGION

July 1986

July 1900	
45 YEARS	John R. MacArthur, Schaumburg, Il.
40 YEARS	Frank A. Duesing, Chicago Refinery
35 YEARS	Forrest E. Armstrong, Beaumont Refinery Charles G. Campbell, Belton, S.C. Herbert R. Dressler, Chicago Refinery Robert F. Nootbaar, Schaumburg, Il.
30 YEARS	Glenn E. Kline, Columbus, Oh. Gene V. Wilson, Pure Trans. Co., Ft. Morgan, Co.
25 YEARS	Louis E. Burge, Macon, Ga. Alice M. Bussell, Cincinnati, Oh. James R. Nelson, Superior, Wi. Robert F. Stump, Charleston, W.V.
20 YEARS	Wayne E. Kielma, Chicago Refinery Samuel Pew, Wildwood, Fl.
15 YEARS	William R. Piper, Chicago Refinery David J. Spreutels, Chicago Refinery
10 YEARS	Paul D. Kohler, Schaumburg, Il. Wayne C. Reuter, Columbus, Oh. Garry D. Rooney, Schaumburg, Il.
5 YEARS	Paul R. Borth, Beaumont Refinery Curtis C. Carter, Wildwood, Fl. Thomas A. Dickman, Schaumburg, Il. Dorothy E. Holland, Schaumburg, Il. Loran W. McKee, Memphis, Tn.

August 1986

40 YEARS Carl E. Larkin, Beaumont Refinery William E. Lebold, Pure Transportation Co., Mokena, Il. John F. Steele, Beaumont Refinery

35 YEARS	W. J. Burrell, Beaumont Refinery Oscar A. Hutchinson, Tampa, Fl. Bernice K. Wetle, Schaumburg, Il.
30 YEARS	James P. Beggs, Pure Transportation Co., Van, Tx.
25 YEARS	Frank G. La Vieri, Schaumburg, Il. Lessie L. McKinney, Columbus, Oh. Jack E. Pelloat, Beaumont Refinery
20 YEARS	Robert L. Clark, Schaumburg, Il. John M. Izaj Jr., Pittsburg, Pa. Clyde L. Oleson Jr., Beaumont Refinery Louis J. Voltarel, Chicago Refinery
15 YEARS	Ronald L. Abbott, Cincinnati, Oh. Harry L. Clark, Cincinnati, Oh. Dennis W. Denton, Chicago Refinery Herman J. Granger, Beaumont Refinery Glenn P. Hayes, Beaumont Refinery Brian A. Hopps, Schaumburg, II. Charlene Matson, Schaumburg, II. Henry L. McGrew, Schaumburg, II. Thomas M. Nelson, Beaumont Refinery Michael J. Peterson, Chicago Refinery Robert J. Raggette, Beaumont Refinery Robert J. Romero, Beaumont Refinery Darrell S. Smith, Beaumont Refinery Chester J. Witkowski, Chicago Refinery
10 YEARS	Edwin D. Bernhard, Chicago Refinery Gerald F. Chesney, Dallas, Tx. Jack L. Jernigan, Chicago Refinery George P. Shields, Chicago Refinery
5 YEARS	Robert J. Allemand, Beaumont Refinery Margol L. Bluiett, Beaumont Refinery Glen A. Bormet, Chicago Refinery Patrick L. Brown, Beaumont Refinery Robert L. Denewellis, Chicago Refinery Estella Figueroa, Chicago Refinery John A. Frigo, Chicago Refinery Frederick P. Glavan, Chicago Refinery Rhom M. Hancock, Chicago Refinery Clarence L. Holiday, Chicago Refinery Anita Sue Huckaby, Beaumont Refinery Floyd D. Kujama, Chicago Refinery Sebastian Lopez, Beaumont Refinery Theodore J. McSwine, Chicago Refinery Robert D. Melton, Beaumont Refinery Houston Rideaux Jr., Beaumont Refinery Robert L. Rohder, Chicago Refinery Billy R. Sterling, Beaumont Refinery

WESTERN REGION

July 1986

40 YEARS	Eva H. Hall, Richmond Terminal
35 YEARS	Signe E. A. Andersen, San Francisco Refinery Norman L. Denton, Los Angeles, Ca. Thomas D. Pereira, San Francisco Refinery

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30 YEARS	Kenneth E. Burns,	
	Los Angeles Refinery Alice B. Sorrels, San Francisco Refinery Richard K. Stewart, Los Angeles Terminal	
25 YEARS	Roger H. Montoya, Bakersfield Terminal Arthur K. Shozuya, Honolulu, Hi.	
20 YEARS	Edward E. Bonds, Walnut Creek, Ca. Alexander L. Miller, Honolulu, Hi.	Aug 35 1
	Jack W. Toomey, San Francisco Refinery Charles H. Werre,	30 1
15 YEARS	Los Angeles Refinery Don L. Carlson, Los Angeles Refinery John A. Dennis, Taft, Ca.	25 1
	Clarence Devault, Los Angeles Refinery Robert S. Guerra, Los Angeles Refinery Claudia J. Matheson, Walnut Creek, Ca. Ethelene S. Poston, Los Angeles, Ca. David C. Schuhmann,	20 1
	Los Angeles Refinery Stephen J. Sorvetti, San Francisco Refinery Charles F. Sullivan, San Francisco Refinery Jerry D. Yagher, Los Angeles Refinery	15 \
10 YEARS	Betty L. Brooks, Los Angeles Terminal Cody D. Browning, Tucson Terminal Linda P. Deleau, San Francisco Refinery Eldo N. Evenson,	
	Los Angeles Terminal Pam G. Holmes, Taft, Ca. Charles Martin, Los Angeles Refinery Christopher L. McKinney, San Francisco Refinery Daniel J. Ottem, San Francisco Refinery William V. Padillas,	
	Portland Terminal Leslie E. Shirkey, Richmond, Ca. Michael W. Stephens, San Francisco Refinery Hanne R. Torres, Seattle, Wa. Antonio A. Ybarra, Los Angeles Refinery	10 1

ARS Daniel E. Broguiere, Los Angeles Terminal Michael W. Busby, Los Angeles, Ca. Jose C. Catalasan, Los Angeles Refinery Donna J. Coble, Pasadena, Ca. Bradford L. Craig, Los Angeles Terminal George H. Dunning, San Francisco Refinery Daniel B. Folk, Torrance, Ca. Patricia L. Gough, Honolulu, Hi. Russell G. Graham, Santa Maria Refinery Douglas E. Greene, Los Angeles Refinery Freddie L. Howard, Los Angeles Refinery Nash A. Jaramillo, Santa Paula, Ca. Christopher R. Leuthold, Santa Maria Refinery Ted A. Panos, San Luis Obispo, Ca. Joe Romero, Los Angeles Refinery Gwendolyn E. Sea, Los Angeles, Ca. Paul M. Yamamoto, Richmond, Ca.

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- EARS Bryan M. Harrah, San Francisco Refinery
- EARS John F. Kaczmarek, Los Angeles Refinery Donald E. Terry, Brisbane, Ca.
- EARS Marilyn C. O'Connell, Los Angeles Terminal
- EARS Paul S. Adams, San Francisco Refinery Terry L. Hopkins, Los Angeles Terminal Jimmy C. Meek, Los Angeles Refinery Louis B. Nobbe, San Francisco Refinery Larry E. Prince, Los Angeles Terminal

EARS Herbert Arline, Los Angeles Refinery John W. Bair, Los Angeles Terminal Norman J. Carrick, Los Angeles Refinery Vincent J. Carta, Los Angeles Refinery Paul M. Crossman, Los Angeles Refinery McKinley Gilliam Jr., Los Angeles Refinery Raymond D. Iverson, Los Angeles Refinery Leonard S. Martinez, Los Angeles Refinery Robert J. Reinartz, Los Angeles Refinery Richard Whitman, Los Angeles Refinery Keith J. Wiljamaa, Los Angeles Terminal Thomas R. Winstrom, Hayward, Ca. ARS Fred A. Brown, San Luis Obispo, Ca.

Larraine G. Gillund, Los Angeles, Ca. Bruce T. Hamilton, Los Angeles Refinery Hans P. Herting, Los Angeles Refinery Albert S. Matsuda, Honolulu, Hi. Charles E. Pfeifer, Los Angeles Refinery Don W. Rieschick, Colton, Ca. John A. Weaver, Los Angeles Refinery Virginia S. Woo, San Francisco Refinery

5 YEARS James M. Agee, Los Angeles Refinery Craig W. Andridge, Los Angeles Refinery Burnard V. Bell, Los Angeles Refinery H. Brenton Brigham, San Francisco Refinery Thomas J. Carroll, San Francisco Refinery Terrie S. Clark, San Francisco Refinery Christina V. Coyle, Los Angeles Refinery Karen L. Stevens Dronen, Edmonds, Wa. Michael J. Flores, San Francisco Refinery Howard V. Gardner, Unocal Center Gerald W. Gulick, San Francisco Refinery Michael A. Havenga, Santa Fe Springs, Ca. Steven D. Holley, Santa Fe Springs, Ca. David J. Hoover, Richmond, Ca. Clarence O. Jessie Jr., Santa Fe Springs, Ca. George W. Johnson, Los Angeles, Ca. Daniel P. Loewer, Nederland, Tx. Darryl F. Matthews, Los Angeles Terminal Charles M. Peniche, San Francisco Refinery Javier G. Prado, Los Angeles Terminal T. Michael Sechrist, Tucson, Az. David E. Sparks, San Francisco Refinery Clyde J. Trombettas, San Francisco Refinery James M. Watkins, Los Angeles Refinery Gregory L. Wilkonson, Los Angeles Refinery

MARKETERS & DISTRIBUTORS

July 1986	
35 YEARS	Don Bretthauer, Cornelius, Or.
25 YEARS	Combs Oil Company, Naples, Fl. Spruill Oil Co., Inc., Windsor, N.C.
15 YEARS	Carolina Oil of Orangeburg, Inc., Orangeburg, S.C.
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30 YEARS	J. C. Lansdowne, Inc., Visalia, Ca.
25 YEARS	Elk River Oil Co., Elk River, Mn.
20 YEARS	R & L Oil, Inc., Clarksdale, Ms. Union Products of Kona, Inc., Kailua-Kona, Hi.
15 YEARS	Appleton Oil Co., Appleton, Wi. J & J Oil Co., Inc., Athens, Al. J & J Oil Co., Inc., Decatur, Al. Don S. Miller Distributor, Inc., Vicksburg, Ms.
10 YEARS	James H. Flournoy, Calipatria, Ca.
5 YEARS	Davis Bros. Oil Co., Clarksville, In. Home Oil Co. of New Richmond,

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