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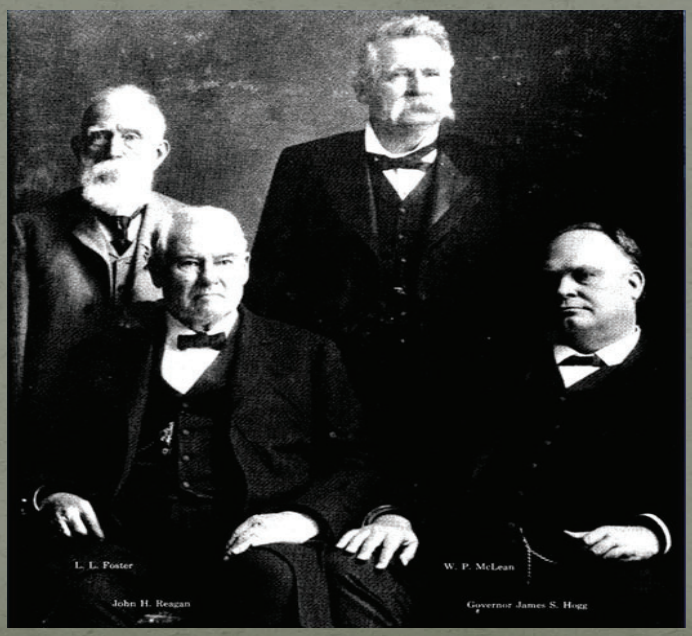
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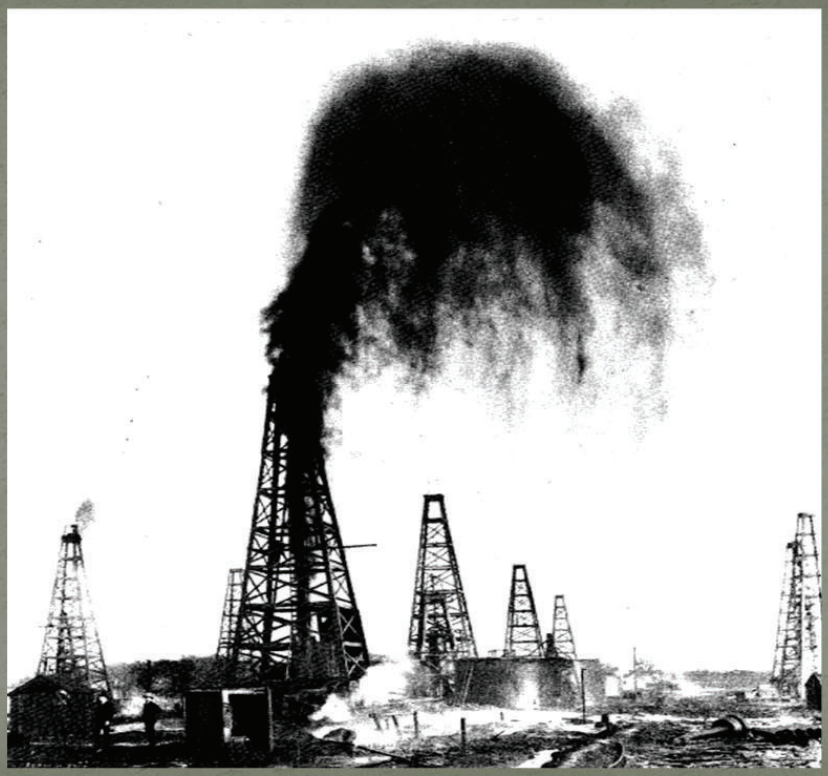
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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS MILESTONES

April 3, 1891:
Commission established to regulate railroads.
February 20, 1917:
Oil pipelines declared common carriers. Commission given jurisdiction.
March 1919:
Legislature requires conservation of oil and gas, forbidding waste and giving Commission jurisdiction.
November 26, 1919:
Commission adopts Rule 37 for oil and gas industry, requiring certain spacing between wells.
June 12, 1920:
Production and sale of natural gas declared a public utility. Commission given jurisdiction.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS MILESTONES (CONT.)

March 19, 1923:
Water pollution by crude petroleum made a crime.
April 1, 1927:
Commission given jurisdiction over rates and operations of buses.
March 13, 1929:
Commission given jurisdiction over rates and operations of trucks.
1930:
Common Purchaser Act passed by Legislature.
June 2, 1951:
Liquefied Petroleum Gas Division of Commission created by Legislature.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS MILESTONES (CONT.)

July 14, 1955:
Authority given to Commission to abate pollution of fresh water arising from oil and gas operations.
February 27, 1961:
Commission required to issue permits for injection wells.
August 30, 1965:
Mineral Interests Pooling Act enacted.
June 21, 1975:
Commission given authority to regulate surface mining and reclamation.
1982:
Commission granted authority of Class II well regulation by the Environmental Protection Agency.

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