

REPORT OF THE
LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS COMMITTEE
OF THE
NATIONAL PETROLEUM COUNCIL

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INTERIM REPORT OF NATIONAL PETROLEUM COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE
ON LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS

This committee was established to make a study of a commodity in which a tremendous and widespread interest has been developed. It was instructed to study the present and foreseeable future situation with respect to demand, production, and transportation of that commodity.

It was decided that, in view of the scope of the assignment, the most thorough and expeditious procedure was to form three sub-committees - one assigned to study demand, another production, and the third to study transportation. Each sub-committee is made up of members who are most familiar with the subject assigned to it. The sub-committees are composed of the following:

- Demand - Louis Abramson, Jr., Petrolane Gas Co., Inc.,
Chairman
Howard D. White, Liquefied Petroleum Gas
Association
R. S. Mitchell, Shell Oil Company
H. K. Strickler, The Protane Corporation
C. M. Ambrose, Jr., Liquefied Gas Corporation
- Production - C. R. Williams, The Chicago Corporation,
Chairman
H. T. Goss, Arkansas Fuel Oil Company
J. M. Gardiner, Republic Oil Company
Charles S. Jones, Richfield Oil Corporation
L. L. Tonkin, Hope Natural Gas Company
J. W. Vaiden, Skelly Oil Company
- Transportation - B. C. Graves, Union Tank Car Company, Chairman
C. F. Dowd, Tide Water Associated Oil Corporation
R. J. Walshe, The Texas Company
C. R. Musgrave, Phillips Petroleum Company

Mr. Abramson and several members of his Demand Sub-Committee met in Chicago late in February to lay the groundwork for their study. The result of this sub-committee work has been incorporated in a preliminary report which has been sent to the sub-committee membership

for criticism and any additional suggestions before the final draft is prepared for submission to the general committee.

The Production Sub-Committee also has written a preliminary report which is now in the hands of its membership for criticism and suggestions prior to the drafting of a final report.

On behalf of the Transportation Sub-Committee, Mr. Graves has sent out questionnaires designed to obtain information with reference to tank cars. He has requested Mr. Walshe to develop information with reference to company owned trucking and Mr. Musgrave to report on pipe line transportation. Mr. Dowd has been asked to make a study of barging and prospective tanker operations. Mr. Graves also has asked Mr. C. Austin Sutherland, Secretary-Manager of the National Tank Truck Operators, to prepare a survey of "for hire carriers - L.P.G. trucks" with a forecast of requirements for 1948, 1949, and 1950.

As soon as the Transportation Sub-Committee has completed its assignment, a meeting of the general committee will be called to study and correlate the sub-committees' reports in order to write its official report for submission to the Council.

We expect to have this report ready for presentation at the next quarterly meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. K. Warren,
Chairman

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