

## The Cold War, It's Beginnings . . . & OIL

### Woodrow Wilson 1913-1921

#### 1914 - World War I - 1918

Battlefield mechanization -OIL

1917 Russia, Bolshevik Revolution

#### 1917 - World War I, US - 1918

1918 US troops invade Russia during Russian Revolution

1925, Persia, Reza Shah Pahlavi, self-crowned

1926, Arabia, Mecca, Ibn Saud crowned King

1928, Scotland, Achnacarry Castle - Pool Association,

'As-Is' Agreement between major international oil companies regulating production

1930, US, East TX, Rusk Co., Black Giant OIL field opened

1932, US, Tariff on foreign oil and gasoline

-----, Bahrain, 1<sup>st</sup> successful OIL well, Standard Oil of CA

-----, Kingdom of Hejaz becomes Saudi Arabia

### Franklin Delano Roosevelt 1933-1945

1933, Persia, Anglo-Persian oil concession extended  
from 1961 to 1993

-----, Kuwait, Kuwait OIL Company founded, 50/50  
joint venture with Gulf Oil Co.

1935, US, Interstate Oil Compact -private regulation, price/prod

1938, Mexico, nationalizes foreign oil company property

-----, Kuwait, Burgan OIL field opened

-----, Saudi Arabia, Damman Zone OIL field opened, Well # 7

1939 World WAR II begins - German invasion of Poland

1939, Saudi Arabia, Dhahran OIL port opened

### The Hydrocarbon Era

1940, US, FDR signs National Defense Act, in response to Nazi Invasion of Western Europe

-----, ---, bans export of iron and steel scrap to Japan, but not OIL

1940, June - Japan begins expanding into SE Asia, OIL resources

-----, September, Japan signs Tripartite Pact

with Germany and Italy

-----, December, Germany, Hitler begins Operation Barbarossa;

the invasion of Russia, in part, to secure OIL reserves

-----, US produces 63% of world oil, Middle East, less than 5%

-----, US, CA, Pasadena Freeway completed

#### 1941 - US in World War II - 1945

1941 Japan attacks US at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; also Hong Kong, Singapore, the Philippines,  
Thailand, Malaya, prepares to invade the East Indies; but did not bomb US OIL  
reserves on Oahu

----- Atlantic Charter

1941, US begins supplying OIL to Great Britain

1942 July, Battle of Midway

----- September, Battle of El Alamein

----- November, Battle of Stalingrad

1943 US and GB negotiate separate surrender with Italy

- 1943, US, Big Inch, 1,254 mile OIL pipeline, SW to East Coast
- 1944, US, Little Inch, 1,475 mile OIL pipeline, SW to East Coast
- , California-Arabian Standard Oil becomes Arabian-American Oil Company - Aramco
- 1944 France, Normandy Invasion
  - 1944, US 3<sup>rd</sup> Army, Gen. Patton, runs out of fuel for tanks
- 1945 Yalta Conference; FDR, Churchill & Stalin
- VE Day, Germany surrenders
- UN Charter signed, San Francisco Opera House
- FDR dies
- Harry S Truman 1945-1953**
- Potsdam Conference; Truman, Atlee & Stalin
- US Atomic bombs, Hiroshima & Nagasaki
- Japan Surrenders
- 1946 Churchill's Iron Curtain speech, Fulton, MO
- Atomic Energy Act
  - 1946, Iran Crisis, USSR withdraws troops, OIL
  - , US, NY, Long Island, Levittown begun - SUBURBANIZATION
- 1947 Truman Doctrine**, aid Greece and Turkey; Contain communism
- **National Security Act**: National Military Establishment, CIA, NSC
- Federal Employee Loyalty Program
- House UnAmerican Activities Hearings, W, D. C. & Hollywood
- Marshall Plan, rebuild Germany and Western Europe
  - 1947, Persian Gulf OIL essential to European recovery
  - , US, 10.5 miles off Louisiana coast, Kerr-McGee strikes OIL
  - , US, CA, Statewide freeway construction begins
- 1948 Israel founded
- Czechoslovakia becomes communist
- Berlin Crisis/Airlift to 1949
- Truman, 1st peace time draft; desegregates armed forces
  - 1948, US, CA, San Bernadino, Macdonald Bros., fire car-hops
  - , US, Texas, Midland, George Herbert Walker Bush III forms Zapata OIL Company
  - , Saudi Arabia - Exxon, Mobil, Texaco & Chevron sign OIL concession agreement with Aramco
- 1949 NATO
- **National Security Act**; NME renamed Department of Defense created Chair, Joint Chiefs of Staff
- USSR explodes atomic bomb
- China "falls" to communists; Mao Zedong
  - 1949, US, NC, Raleigh, 1<sup>st</sup> major planned shopping center
  - , US, New Jersey Turnpike begun
- 1950 - Korean War - 1953
- 1950 Alger Hiss convicted of perjury
- Senator Joseph McCarthy begins anti-communist crusade
- NSC-68 adopted
- Internal Security (McCarran) Act

- 1950, Saudi Arabia, 1,040 mile Tapline  
OIL pipeline to Sidon, Lebanon  
-----, Saudi-Aramco 50/50 agreement a 'revolution'  
marks decline and fall of British Empire
- 1951 Truman dismisses MacArthur  
1951, Iran, Mohammed Mossadegh, Prime Minister  
nationalizes Iranian OIL; British expelled
- 1952 US explodes hydrogen bomb  
----- Immigration and Nationality Act  
----- Ike wins presidential election; Nixon, vice president  
1952, US Senate, The international petroleum cartel; staff report to  
the Federal Trade Commission  
-----, US, TN, Memphis, 1<sup>st</sup> Holiday Inn opened
- Dwight David Eisenhower, 1953-1961**