

**Description**

Group of men watching first train of tank cars roll toward the East in Norris City, Illinois after the Opening Ceremony. Back row left to right: W.L. Draeger, Chief Engineer, Defense Plant Corporation; W. Alton Jones, President of War Emergency Pipelines, Inc.; and George A. Hill, Jr., Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Defense Supplies Corporation. Front row from left to right: Major A.N. Horne, Vice President and Assistant General Manager, War Emergency Pipelines, Inc.; Ralph K. Davies, Deputy Petroleum Administrator for War; Burt E. Hull, Vice President and General Manager, War Emergency Pipelines, Inc.; Bert I. Graves, Executive Vice President, Tide Water Associated Oil Company and a Director of War Emergency Pipelines, Inc.; and Major J.R. Parten, Director of Transportation, Petroleum Administration for War.

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**People Pictured** Davies, Ralph K. (Ralph Kenneth), 1897-1971 Jones, W. Alton (William Alton), 1891-1962  
Parten, J. R. (Jubal Richard), 1896-1992 Hill, George Alfred, 1892-1949 Hull, Burt E. (Burton Elias), 1884-1958  
Draeger, W. L. Graves, Bert I. Horne, A. N. (Albert Nolan), 1894-1978

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