

National Refining Company, Coffeyville, Kansas

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An album with photographs and information on the National Refining Company, Coffeyville, Kansas. The refinery was built on 75 acres in northeast Coffeyville. At the time of construction, National Refining Company was the second largest oil company in the nation with Standard Oil being first. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad laid tracks to the refinery's site and construction was started in 1904. Oil from Coffeyville and the north territory was piped to the refinery. Capacity was 2,500 barrels per day, and by the 1920s, it was one of the largest independent refineries in the country. Included in the album are photographs of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad locomotives pulling tank cars, buildings, laboratories, employees, and equipment at the refinery. The scrapbook includes descriptions of the various processes that occur at the refinery. There are some equipment photos from 1906 next to the 1925 version of the same equipment.

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