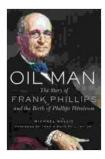
# The Story of Frank Phillips and the Birth of Phillips Petroleum

A Legacy of Innovation and Philanthropy



Phillips Petroleum, one of the world's largest oil companies, was founded in 1917 by Frank Phillips. Born in 1873 in Iowa, Phillips was a visionary

entrepreneur who played a pivotal role in the development of the oil industry in the United States.



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#### From Humble Beginnings to Oil Tycoon

Phillips started his career in the oil industry as a bookkeeper in a small oil company in his hometown. In 1903, he moved to Bartlesville, Oklahoma, where he partnered with two other individuals to form the Phillips Petroleum Company. The company's initial focus was on refining and marketing gasoline.

Under Phillips' leadership, Phillips Petroleum grew rapidly. He invested heavily in new technologies and expanded the company's operations into other states. By the 1920s, Phillips Petroleum had become one of the largest oil companies in the United States.

#### **Aviation Pioneer and Philanthropist**

In addition to his business acumen, Phillips was also a passionate aviation enthusiast. He founded the Phillips Aviation Company, which became a

major supplier of aviation fuel and aircraft. Phillips also played a key role in the development of the Bartlesville Municipal Airport, which was later renamed the Frank Phillips Field in his honor.

Beyond his business success, Phillips was also a generous philanthropist. He established the Frank Phillips Foundation, which supported various educational, medical, and cultural institutions. Phillips also donated land for the construction of the Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve, which is now a popular tourist destination.

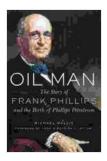
#### **A Lasting Impact**

Frank Phillips died in 1950, but his legacy continues to live on. Phillips Petroleum remained a major player in the oil industry until its merger with Conoco in 2002. Today, the combined company, ConocoPhillips, is one of the largest integrated energy companies in the world.

Phillips' contributions to the oil industry and his philanthropic endeavors have left an enduring mark on the United States. He is remembered as a visionary entrepreneur, a pioneer in aviation, and a generous benefactor who made a significant difference in the lives of many.

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The story of Frank Phillips and the birth of Phillips Petroleum is a captivating tale of innovation, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy. Phillips was a true pioneer who helped shape the development of the oil industry in the United States. His legacy continues to inspire and motivate generations of business leaders and philanthropists.



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