



FIGURE 20

Map showing the distribution of gas pipe lines, natural gasoline plants, and carbon black plants in 1938.

to a great measure that of Texas itself, depends upon the successful operation of this great industry. The construction in Texas of its 43,532 miles of oil and gas trunk pipe line, 154 refineries, 134 natural gasoline plants, 38 carbon black plants, and more than 12,000 filling stations, and the drilling and equipping of its 82,328 oil wells and 3,026 gas wells currently producing in more than 950 individual fields has afforded gainful occupation to countless thousands of Texans. Thousands of others have been employed in the manufacture of materials used in this activity and in the fabrication of products to be used in the future.