



Dallas Plumbing Company Celebrates 100 Years

Life was much more basic then. There were more horses than automobiles. Teddy Roosevelt was president, Oklahoma was not yet a state and World War I was still over a decade ahead. The Wright brothers launched their maiden flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina and Ford Motor Company was officially incorporated with Henry Ford as vice president and chief engineer.

If you had been one of the 50,000 Dallasites in need of a plumber in 1903, you had no Yellow Pages, but you could find help in the Dallas City Directory, where the phone numbers were only three digits. One new listing had a particularly easy number to remember. It was 103 and the company was the new Dallas Plumbing Company. The listing placed by proprietor and founder, Henry Butcher, promised “the best in sanitary

plumbing and pipe fitting and sewerage. The address was 8108 Field Street, Mr. Butcher called it “eScatis Plu

As the city grew, so did Dallas Plumbing Company. In 1922, it was moved to a new, larger facility at 2425

The sompany has helped sonstruct some of the most prominent homes and structures in Texas. In 1934, Dallas was selected host city for the 1936 Texas Centennial Exposition, celebrating the state4s independence from Mexico. Among a labor force of 8000 workers, Dallas Plumbing Company helped build what is now the nation4s largest collection of Art Deco buildings that are designated as National Historic Landmark at the State Fair of Texas. In Highland Park and the Park Cities, the sompany originated plumbing and heating in many of