One Moment in Time

1912 — The initial excitement over, these oil men take a breather and watch one of the first oil gushers at Anse La Butte Oil Field just outside of Lafayette during the early 1900s. Seated is Lawrence O’Bryan, an uncle of Mrs. Marjorie A. Orgeron, along with four unidentified oilmen. O’Bryan was instrumental in the drilling of early oil wells at Anse La Butte.

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