Mr. Galey was a pioneer oil and mineral developer who, in partnership with James M. Guffey, supported the drilling of T. J. Norman No. 1 near Neodesha, Kansas in 1892. This well was the discovery well of the Mid-Continent Oil Field. This partnership was also active in Oklahoma and Texas, financing the great Lucas Gusher in the Spindletop Field near Beaumont, Texas in 1901. This well flowed at an estimated 80,000 to 100,000 barrels a day.