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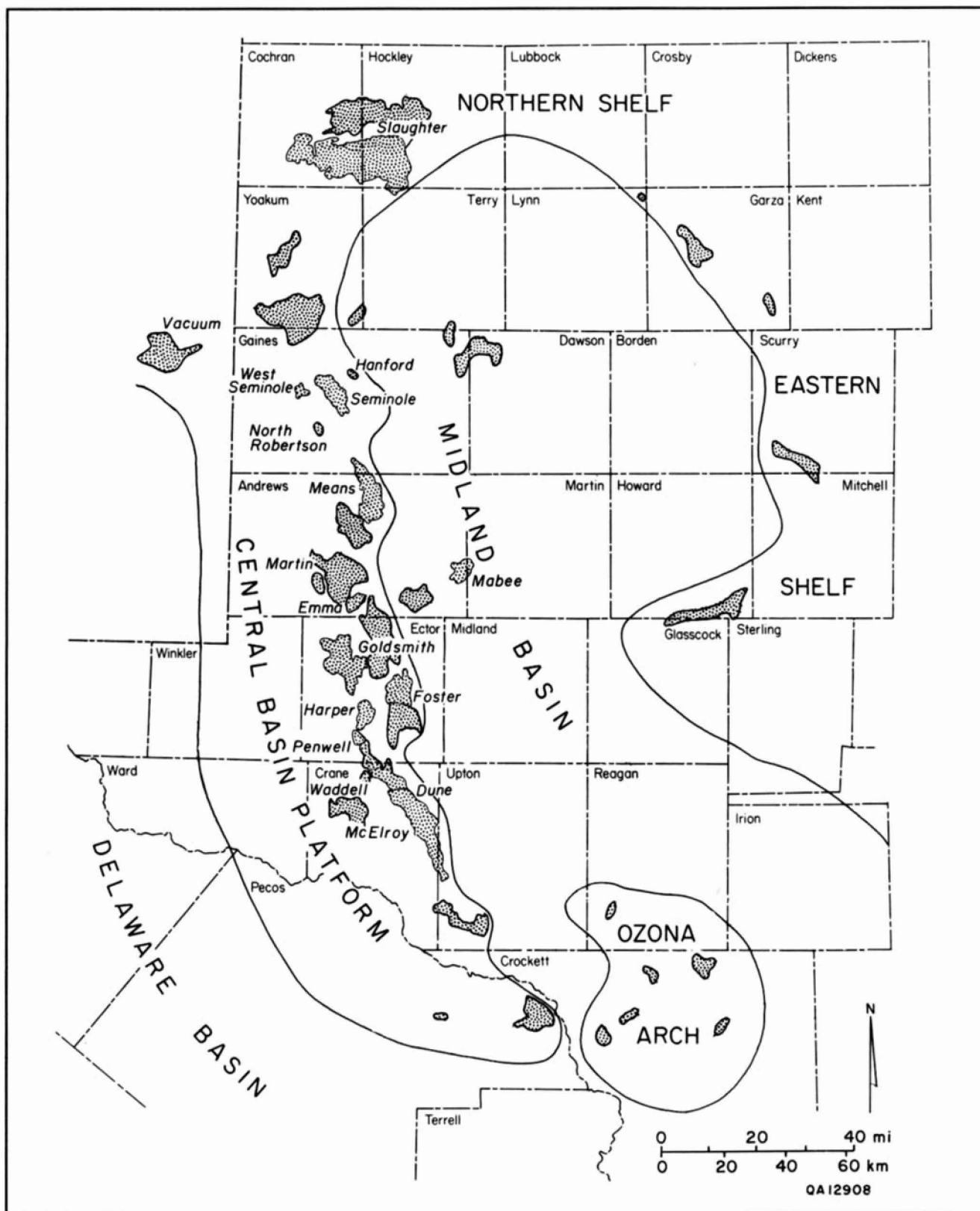
Reservoirs of the San Andres and Grayburg Formations of the Permian Basin have a combined cumulative production of 7.7 billion barrels (Bbbl) of oil. These reservoirs have produced 46 percent of the oil from the Permian Basin and 17 percent of that from the entire State of Texas. Because of their high cumulative production but low recovery efficiency (30 percent), these reservoirs are prime candidates for improved field development through strategic infill drilling, selective completion, and enhanced recovery. To achieve this improved field development, a thorough understanding of the reservoir is required; this understanding is obtained only through complete integration of geological and engineering data.

The 13 papers in this volume were presented at the 1986 San Andres/Grayburg Research Conference and Field Trip titled *Hydrocarbon Reservoir Studies—San Andres/Grayburg Formations, Permian Basin*, sponsored by the Permian Basin Section of the Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists and the Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas at Austin. Extended abstracts, with illustrations, of these and additional papers presented at the conference are included in much shorter form in the conference Proceedings (Bebout and Harris, 1986).\*

The first three papers in this volume are intended to introduce the San Andres and Grayburg Formations by presenting an overview of the regional facies framework, diagenesis, and correlation of these rocks on the Central Basin Platform and Northern Shelf. The remaining 10 papers present detailed case studies of specific reservoirs and offer varied approaches to better understanding and developing these complex reservoirs.

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