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**Front Cover:** Latshaw Drilling's Rig No. 2 is pictured drilling a 15,000-ft exploratory well for Arco in Lavaca County, TX. The photograph of the 25,000-ft capacity diesel-electric SCR drilling unit was taken by Trent B. Latshaw, company president. The rig has since moved on to another well for Arco, a 17,000-ft exploratory well in Bee County, TX.