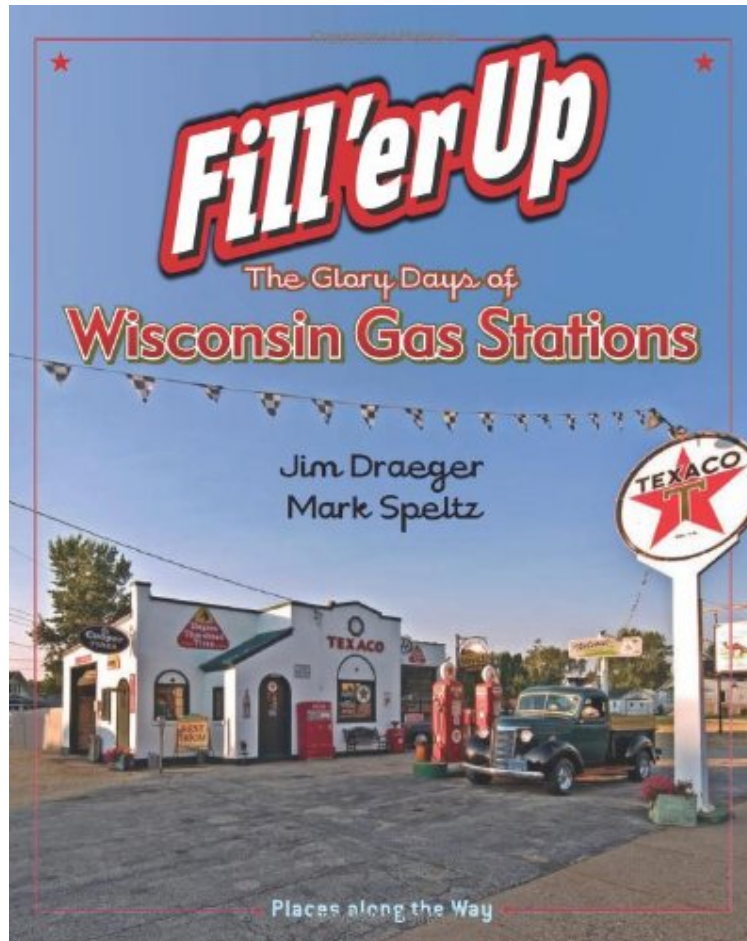


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maps (there were no road signs or systematic highway numbering at the time), and the ups and downs of the station industry. I read this section in one sitting. There is so much that I didn't realize or even think of that kept me educated and entertained.

Step back to the day when a visit to the gas station meant service with a smile, a wash of the windshield, and the cheerful question, "Fill 'er up?" Since their unremarkable beginnings as cheap shacks and curbside pumps at the dawn of the automobile age, gas stations have taken many forms and worn many guises: castles, cottages and teepees, Art Deco and Streamline Moderne, clad with wood, stucco, or gleaming porcelain in seemingly infinite variety.

"What an amazing collection of stories, images, and, of course, beautiful vintage gas stations! Draeger and Speltz provide gallons of premium detail that make for hours of fun reading and reminiscing." (Brian Butko, coauthor of *Roadside Attractions: Cool Cafes, Souvenir Stands, Route 66 Relics, Other Road Trip Fun*) "Current frustrations over gasoline prices cloud our memory of the central role gasoline has played in the development of Wisconsin. This is a fascinating book, reminding us all of the love affair we've had with the freedom afforded us by the automobile all supported by the neighborhood service station." (Ed Jacobsen, Northwoods Petroleum Museum, Three Lakes, Wisconsin) "Draeger and Speltz reliably guide readers back to the auto age in Wisconsin when travelers found the benefits of community along the way at gas stations. They also advocate for the preservation of these gas stations through which we can visit our common past." (Keith A. Sculle, Illinois Historic Preservation Agency and coauthor of *The Gas Station in America*) "Whether your interest is automotive history, architecture, petroliana, travel, culture, or any combination of these, *Fill 'er Up* will appeal to you. With the 'Your Guide to Hitting the Road' section, *Fill 'er Up* might more likely end up in your glove box than on your bookshelf." (Ken Nimocks, President, Wisconsin Chapter of the Society of Automotive Historians)