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Whitlam celebrates 100 years in business

J.C. Whitlam Manufacturing Company, a manufacturer and supplier of plumbing chemical products, hand tools and industrial paint coatings, recently marked its 100th year as a family-owned business.

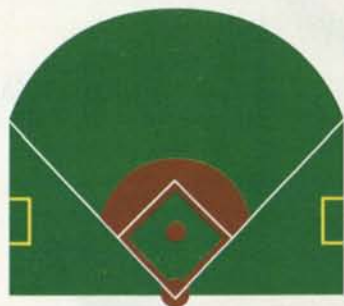
The company was established in 1900 by J.C. Whitlam II. At that time, Whitlam used white and red lead paste to produce barn paints and house coatings. Pipe fitters and plumbers would purchase the lead paste from Whitlam to use it in the assembly of pipe joints. Knowing the lead paste was poisonous, he developed the first nontoxic, lead-free pipe joint compound he called, "Tyte-Untyte." That one product launched an entire industry of specialty chemicals for the irrigation, industrial, heating and cooling trade.

Today, Whitlam produces more than 300 products related to the irrigation industry which they supply to more than 6,000 distributors throughout the world. The company is represented by more than 100 independent representatives in the U.S. and Canada, 14 overseas or U.S.-based export agents and four regional sales managers.



Celebrating 100 years in business at the Metropolitan Club in Chicago are (left to right): Vice President of Sales, Mark Whitlam; President Jack Whitlam IV; and Douglas Whitlam, C.E.O.

The company is managed by Jack C. Whitlam IV, President; Douglas A. Whitlam, C.E.O.; Mark A. Whitlam, Vice President of Sales; and Stephen Carey, Vice President of Operations.



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