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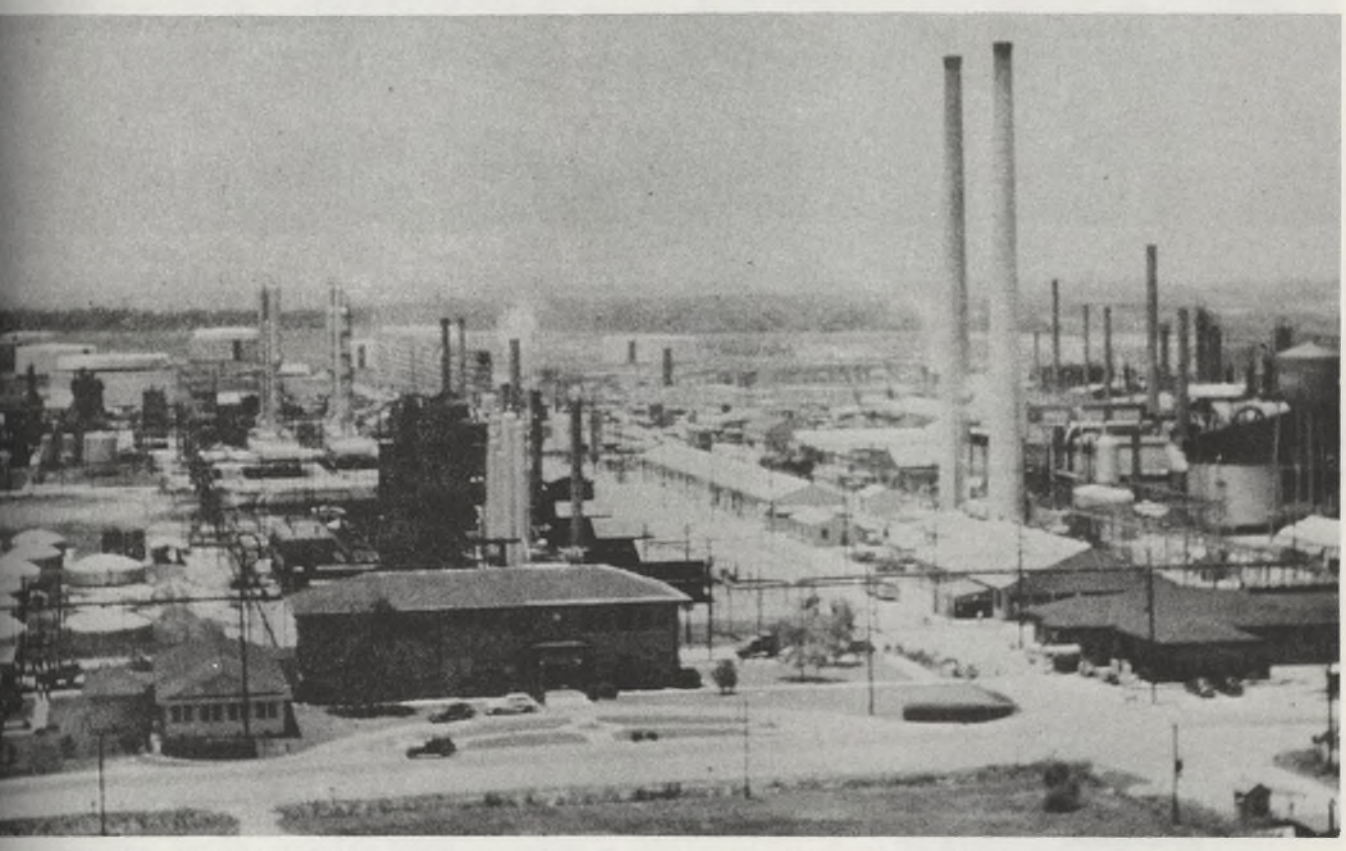


bove was the view in 1946 and below is the view in 1974 - provided you were/are atop the Cat. Cracking unit....

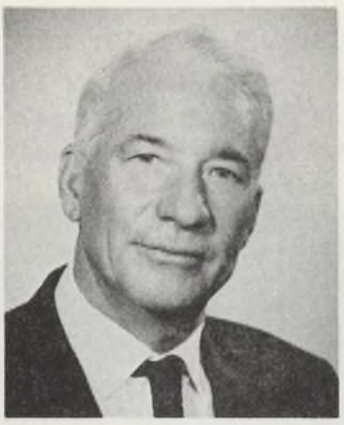
ou were looking west while atop of the racker, this is the view you would have late 1946 and 1974. Although some 28 separate these two photographs, there veral similarities.

the original Main Office building and dition added on during the late 1950's. afeteria is still located at the same and one of the boilerhouse smokestacks stands as tall - although the other one has been shortened somewhat!

The P&IR Department building with washhouse in back now houses part of the Personnel Department, hospital, medical director, Data Processing and the fire trucks!

One building missing in the '74 picture is the old temporary engineering office between the cafeteria and the Main Office, but we do see the addition of the changehouse and the refinery gate. How time changes things!

LONG-TERM EMPLOYEES ELECT TO RETIRE



M. E. Lesser
Dispatching

W. E. Bailey
Dispatching

J. A. Cook
Engineering Field

The refinery has lost three long-time employees to retirement. All three men have over thirty years of experience.

Marcus E. Lesser, dockman and operations foreman, Dispatching - Docks, is retiring with 30 years of company service.

He and his wife, Helen, will make 11 Andrew Road in Kerrville their retirement home.

Weldon E. Bailey, rackman, Dispatching - Loading Racks, is retiring after 31½ years of company service.

He and his wife, Arnell, will make Buckholts, Texas, their retirement home.

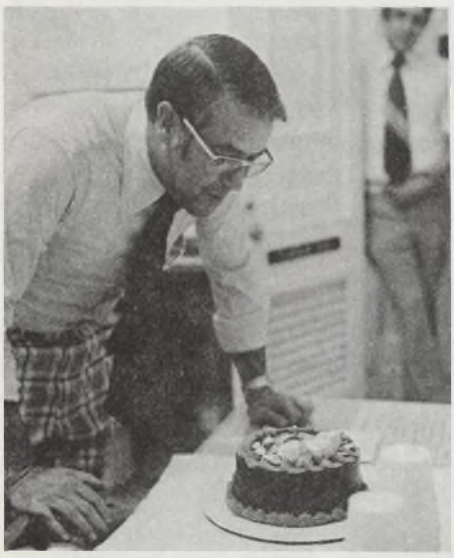
Jack A. Cook, boilermaker No. 1, Engineering Field, is retiring with some 36 years of company service.

He and his wife, Mildred, will make their retirement home at 407 Shady Lane in La Porte.

OIL DROPS

It was a major hurdle for anyone to reach the unspoken age of . . . 40. But, for Employee Relations' senior analyst, Bill Davis, it was a joy and a delight.

He was surprised both at work and at home with parties, cakes and many best wishes.



The reason for the single candle on the cake at work (see above picture) was to let Bill know that he is starting the aging process all over again. We haven't discovered the scientific writing covering this particular aging process, but we feel confident that it is true - at least for Bill Davis.

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Innovative Shell employees have invented a vacuum testing apparatus, which is used for testing tubular equipment open on both ends, such as exchanger tubes.

This testing apparatus is the result of having a need and not being able to buy the proper piece of equipment to fill that need. According to W. T. Ervin, engineering supervisor, Engineering Field, there was an effort to rent the equipment, but the rental piece wasn't adequate.

"We decided that we could make one better than the one we were renting," said Ervin, "And, so we did."

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Robert Thomas Garbs was recently named to the President's Honor Roll at Rice University. In order to be named to the Honor Roll, one must maintain high grade averages, and the record is made a part of the student's permanent record.

Robert is the son of R. T. Garbs, operations foreman, Lube B.

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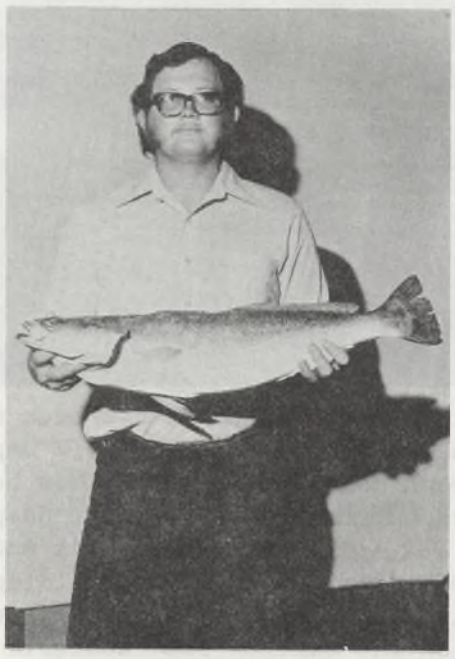
Robert Weaver, son of C. W. Weaver, operator No. 1, Lube C, poses with his catch of the day - a 9½-pound speckled trout.



Robert Weaver proudly displays his catch of the day: A 9½-pound speckled trout!

Robert caught the trout in San Luis Pass with a live shrimp bait and plans to take it to a taxidermist in Texas City for mounting sometime this week.

In the meantime, it is safely being stored in the Weavers' freezer.

SHAREHOLDERS 1974 2ND QUARTER REPORT NOW AVAILABLE

The second quarter report for 1974 to the shareholders of Shell Oil Company is now available.

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ECHNOLOGICAL/ECONOMICS AND SCHEDULING SAFETY PARTY HELD . . . .

and Erma Loucks find conversation with Jones very entertaining. Henry Blunt to enjoy being surrounded by lovelies.

From l-r: Doris King, Sue Blunt and Diane Wege.

retiree, Dave Smith, visits with our new perintendent major projects, DPMC, Jim Braus. Maggio brings Ellie McCants up-to-date, while wife, Carolyn, looks on. Judy and Randy Thompson find visiting with Wallace and Jan Groda a delight.

EATIVE TALENTS SURFACE IN THE CAT. CRACKING UNIT CONTROL HOUSE

er in the Cat. Cracking t, you will find a surprisly creative bunch of fellows. y are especially noted for ir deep and abiding concern their co-workers. Just M. G. Kuhn; he'll tell you about it! He loves the ken word so!

t was Kuhn's love for the ken word, commonly known talking a lot, that caused eral of his friends to ome worried about the ssibility of his jaws ring stuck. That's right, ring stuck! When Earl Childs, operator No. 1, d to work the same shift, would see to it that Kuhn his regular jaw oiling. Childs is no longer able take care of his friend, so the job fell to others. -workers B. F. "Billy" Ham C. T. "Slick" Archer, opators No. 1, and Henry Simon, trumentman No. 1, decided ad their expertise to the blem. What they came up , they refer to as the "Kuhn nes Automatic Jaw Oiler."

This contraption is unique and specially designed for its namesakes.

According to one of its primary inventors, it will automatically oil the wearer's jaws with VALVA C78 Oil for a 24-hour period without refueling. And, it boosts of an additional and much valued feature - safety glasses to protect the eyes from any loose drips.

Kuhn, operator No. 1, models his newly acquired gift from his co-workers, while "Slick" Archer looks on.

It was just odds and ends, which made up the "Kuhn/Tynes Automatic Jaw Oiler," but they do the job. Just ask Kuhn. He'll be glad to tell you all about it!

In the meantime, Bill Ervin, engineering supervisor, Engineering Field, thinks the boilershop just might have a customer for them.

"It's an oil slick."

CLASSIFIEDS

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1967 VW Ghia in immaculate condition, 40,000 miles, 30+ mpg. $1,095.
Telephone: 493-3955

Selmer alto saxaphone, used 4 years, very good condition, 2 mouth pieces, music stand. Original cost about $700; sell for $350.
Telephone: 328-2807

1970 Fairlane 500 Ford, 4-door automatic, 68,000 miles, very good condition, 16-18 mpg. 302 V8 engine.
Telephone: 328-2807

1973 Honda 350 Four, metallic red, excellent condition. $1,075.
Telephone: 473-4693 after 6

Almost new Bunde clarinet. $150. Student flute in good condition. $65.
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Dodge Dart, 1964, 2-door, Slant 6. $175.
Telephone: 473-5279

Sears electric stove, one year old, auto. timer, on and off, all the new gadgets on it. $150.
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50'x120' water front lot at Downey Caney Creek. $1,495.
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6 room house with 2-car garage, garage apartment, 420 West 13th Street, Houston.
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August 16, 17, 18 from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Schoolmaster's desk, tables, TV cabinet, clothes, plants, toys, Wurlitzer electric piano, much more.
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Two families. Thursday, Friday, Saturday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Like new custom belt massager, baby items, clothes, oil paintings, etc. Many odds and ends.
1201 Ivy Street, Deer Park
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LOST

Silver Sieko watch, blue face, tackymeter and skindiver, days and date.
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FREE

Half-breed Cairn Terrier puppy, 4 months old, lively and friendly, has had shots.
Telephone: 334-1101

PERSONAL

To all my friends at Shell: There just aren't enough words to express my thanks to all my friends and co-workers for all the gifts and the money you gave to Helen and me at my retirement party. I shall always treasure your friendship, and if you are in Kerrville, be sure to come by to visit with us.
- M. E. and Helen Lesser

A LIFE OF RETIREMENT LIES AHEAD FOR THESE MEN

Jack Cook, boilermaker, smiles as he is presented with a pair of long-lost gloves. Weldon Bailey cuts into the cake presented to him by Dispatching. Marcus Lesser, dockman, and his wife laugh over his novel gift of a "Piddlers Kit."

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