

CRANES IN THE CHANNEL---They are cranes, true enough, but not the flying kind, although they are designed for use in the water. The one on the left is a 500-ton rig while the crane at the right is a 150-ton one. The cranes are situated on large barges, enabling them to be used in the channel and for offshore work. Conventional land cranes could not be used for the job of placing the pipe rack foundation pilings at the dock area because of the existing pipe racks, utility wires, and the docks themselves, which prevent land cranes from coming close enough to the work area to do the job. See page 2 for a picture of the cranes at work.

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SOCIAL SECURITY TAX RISES; PROVIDES FAMILY PROTECTION

Starting in January, employees will pay social security taxes of 4.8 per cent of their earnings up to \$7,800. The rate will be slightly higher than it was for 1968 when the tax rate was 4.4 per cent of earnings on the same wage base. Those earning \$7,800 and more in 1969 will pay the maximum social security tax of \$374.40, compared to \$343.20 in 1968. (By law, Shell matches employee contributions.)

Gradual increases are scheduled in the contribution rate. The rate will rise to 5.2 per cent in 1971 and up to 5.9 per cent by 1987.

While contributions have increased, be-

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PROVIDENT FUND NEWS

Here are the latest Provident Fund valuations:

Equities Fund Unit Value:

October 5, 1968 - \$2.178

October 20, 1968 - 2.186

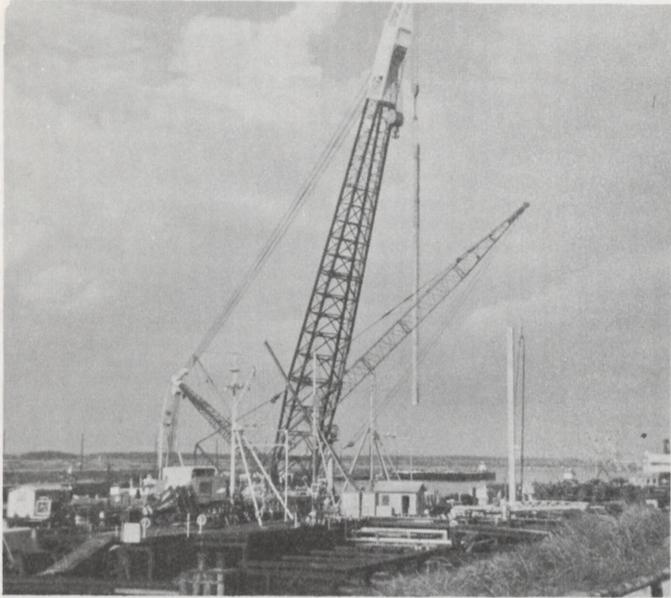
The average cost, including commissions, per share of Shell stock purchased during October was \$70.021.

SHELL FILM "THE RIVER MUST LIVE" TO BE SHOWN ON CHANNEL 8, NEXT FRIDAY

Shell's award-winning film entitled, "The River Must Live", will be telecast on KUHT television, Channel 8, on Friday, November 22, at 7:00 p.m.

The film, which won a Blue Ribbon Award at the American Film Festival, is a 21-minute presentation, and will be shown in black and white over television even though the film is in color. It is a study of what happens when a river is overloaded with more waste than it can absorb and the consequences to those who have to depend on the river for life and business. The film then explores some methods which can overcome pollution to make a river healthy again.

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UP, UP, AND THEN DOWN---The 500-ton barge crane lifts a 110 foot-long, 27-ton, concrete piling into air, making about a 100-foot radius lift and then placing it into position. The smaller crane lifted the 110-foot, 18-ton, pilings and then drove all the pilings into the mud-line. Eight of the 110-foot long foundation pilings were sunk in about a 12-hour period, or over a foot a minute. The pilings were 18 inches and 24 inches square.

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Benefits from social security also have increased. In addition to retirement income, social security provides protection all through an employee's working life. Benefits under social security include disability insurance and survivors insurance.

The most recent addition in benefits is that anyone receiving social security, either as a wage earner, a dependent or survivor, is eligible for Medicare at age 65.



GETTING READY FOR SHOW---Donnie Kee, a Future Farmer of America from Diboll, Texas, exercises his dairy heifer in preparation for showing at the 1969 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Donnie was one of the youngsters who caught a Houston Refinery calf in the Calf Scrambles, and, as a result, was awarded \$200 toward the purchase of a dairy calf.

NO RATTLESNAKES WANTED IN TRUCK
REPORTS MAN WHO HAD ONE IN HIS

Rattlesnakes make poor traveling companions, says Don Miller of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Wildlife Exhibit.

Miller was transporting two "good sized" rattlesnakes and several small ones in the exhibit's fish tank in the back of a pickup. The circulatory device had been removed from the tank, leaving a hole in the top. "I figured the sides were too slick for them to crawl up, and that they couldn't stand up high enough to reach the hole."

Miller admits that he must have figured wrong.

"I was cruising down the highway at about 65 miles per hour when for some reason I glanced over my shoulder in time to see one of the big rattlers come through the open side window and crawl down the seat to the floor board on the passenger side. Then it started to come over the hump toward me."

Miller says he lifted his legs very slowly to put them in the seat, switched off the ignition key and let the truck roll.

"That darn truck rolled and rolled and rolled. I thought it would never stop," Miller said.

When it finally halted, Miller carefully climbed out of the truck and breathed again. He then subdued the snake and put him back in the tank. That's when he realized that the second big rattlesnake was missing.

"I almost disassembled that truck looking for the other snake. I guess he fell off on the road somewhere," Miller said.

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Your school or civic organization may borrow this film, free of charge, as well as any of the many films in the Shell Film Library, by writing to Shell Film Library, 450 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204. When writing to ask for the film, please give the library a definite show date, allowing at least three weeks for booking, confirmation and delivery by mail; give an alternate date some two weeks later; and print your name, organization, and address (including Zip Number). You may also write to request a new Shell film catalog.

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REFINERY HOLIDAY

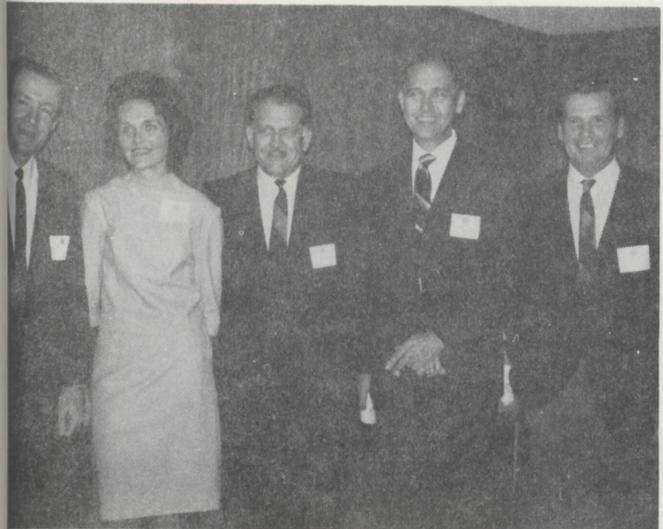
Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 28, 1968



CHOW TIME---Waiting for dinner to be served at the Refinery Lab's Safety Party were, from left to right, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Dorman, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cassidy, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Renquist.



CHEESE!!!---Taking time out from their Safety Party are members of the Refinery Laboratory. They are, from left to right, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chorn and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Fry.



SAFETY PARTY PEOPLE --- Other persons attending the Refinery Lab's Safety Party included, from left to right, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Gigout, H. H. Reat, C. A. Robertus, and N. D. Echols.

FACTS ABOUT GASOLINE

A gasoline pump usually shows three things: (1) the price per gallon (to tenths of a cent); (2) the number of gallons purchased (to tenths of a gallon); and (3) the total bill. Some people note how much they paid in total; possibly how many gallons they bought. But there are drivers who can't recall, a half hour later, the price paid per gallon.



WORKED SAFELY --- Two of the couples who were honored at the Refinery Laboratory's Safety Party because the employees of the laboratory worked without a disabling injury for a year are, from left to right, Mrs. and Mr. W. D. Antone and Mrs. and Mr. P. F. Davis.



REFINERY LABORATORY PARTY---Attending the Refinery Laboratory's Safety Party were, from left to right, Mrs. and Mr. C. D. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hunt.

SEE SHELL ON TV THIS MONTH

The latest Shell television advertising schedule indicates that Shell commercials will be shown over Houston TV stations as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Station</u>
November 16	Mannix	KHOU
November 19	Early News	KTRK
November 22	Wild West	KHOU
November 25	Gunsmoke	KHOU
November 29	Judd	KTRK

When your family or friends ask you "When will Shell be on television?", you will now be able to tell them.

WELCOME TO HOUSTON REFINERY

REMEMBER YOUR POST OFFICE
DURING THE CHRISTMAS RUSH

SHOP EARLY, MAIL EARLY, USE ZIP CODES

NON-RESIDENT HUNTING LICENSE MANDATORY FOR
OUT OF STATE HUNTERS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

Residents of other states hunting in Texas must have a non-resident hunting license, says J. B. Phillips, law enforcement coordinator for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Two non-resident hunting licenses are available, Phillips said. The non-resident hunting license with deer tags attached is required of all non-residents hunting any game animal or game bird during the open season. This license is valid for a full year beginning September 1 and costs \$25.

The five-day non-resident hunting license, costing \$5, permits a non-resident to hunt migratory game birds only for five consecutive days. Migratory game birds include doves, both mourning and whitewing, and waterfowl but does not include quail and turkey.

The law which requires hunting licenses also provides that no hunting license will be considered valid unless issued on a proper form provided by the Department. Written hand receipts are not acceptable and the issuing agent as well as the recipient are both in violation of the law.

"It is the license agent's responsibility to issue the correct type of license to an applicant and it is the applicant who bears the responsibility to verify his residency," Phillips said.



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CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Lady's black cashmere coat, mink collar, and other good clothes and formal wear. Size: 10-12
Telephone - MI-5-1462

Boy's red wool sport jacket. Size 12.
Telephone - MI-5-1462

1959 Chevrolet Station Wagon - 6-cylinder, stick shift, original owner.
\$125.00
Telephone - MI-3-8475

1961 Plymouth. 30,000 miles. Excellent work car. 6-cylinder; stick shift.
\$275.00
Telephone - WA-6-9801 after 5:30 p.m.

2 adjoining lots, heavily wooded, 7 miles north of Liberty, Texas, on the river. Each lot 110' front and 300' deep. \$2,800 total or will sell separately.
Telephone - 482-1746

1960 Ford Galaxie. Good running condition, new tires.
\$395.00
Telephone - GR-2-6379

1964 Chevrolet Pickup. Air-conditioner; radio.
\$900.00
Telephone - 946-2410

1960 Chevrolet Sedan Delivery. Good work or fishing car.
\$85.00
Telephone - GR-3-1922

House - 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, fireplace, all carpeted, deluxe built-ins, lots of extras, 2 years old, double car port with large double garage. Near Texaco Country Club.
Telephone - 455-0764

1968 Buick Riviera. Fully loaded.
Telephone - 944-5474