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MASTER MECHANIC LEO DICKEY TO RETURN "HOME"



Leo's last days at Shell are spent keeping a careful watch on the progress of the catalytic cracker turnaround, which is still in progress at the refinery.

"The worse thing you can do is get inactive, and I'm not going to do that!" These are the words of Leo Dickey, master mechanic, Engineering Field, as he contemplates his rapidly

approaching retirement.

Leo began his Shell career some 33 years ago as an operations helper at the clay filters down in the old Treating Department. Those were the "good old

days" when the filters were cleaned with steam hoses.

Of course, he jumped at the chance to become a general helper in the machine shop, where he stayed until leaving to serve in the Korean War.

After the war, he returned as a machinist, quickly becoming a foreman. Later he moved into the craft coordinator position, becoming a master mechanic over special maintenance in December 1963.

According to Leo, the master mechanic's job has been a real challenge. "If it didn't happen; just wait awhile and it would," he says with a smile.

Working with all of the different department managers over the years was of real interest as each seemed to contribute to the department's growth. "And you can't work with a better bunch of people. I don't know of any industry where you will find the level of skills found at this refinery," says Leo.

A bit prejudiced? Perhaps. But, Leo remembers the 1954-55 Platformer No. 1 bring-up when through ideas obtained from many different Shell employees, existing equipment was modified to solve operating problems and that some equipment is still in use today.

Being an Engineering Field master mechanic means that at one time or another you will come in contact with

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PROVIDENT FUND NEWS

The following is the Provident Fund valuation:

Equities Fund

April 30, 1975 - \$2.431

Shell Stock Fund

April 16-30 - \$43.725

Info and picture due JUNE 5 for GRADUATES' ISSUE.

EMPLOYEES HONORED WITH DINNER FOR SAFE WORK HABITS



Lee and Larry Gruber exchange greetings with Hursh and Pat Debord.

Scotty and Annie Schultz enjoy Jean Perry's company at the Utilities safety party.



Joan Mattern (lower right) joins Billy and Peggy Roper in selecting a place to eat dinner at the San Jacinto Inn.

Utilities/Thermal Cracking/Distilling/Treaters



Thermal Cracking retirees: Eddie Madden, Bob Hardin and Ernie Harris get together to discuss "how it used to be."



Pete Lanchak, Jim Waggoner and wife, Betty (back to camera), chat, while new arrivals, Kenneth and Jeanne Harwick, put on their name tags.



Jeff Campbell and his date Pam Page (above), arrive the Distilling safety party.



Frank and Jeannie Krupa (far left) smile as they wait to be served. Russell and Norma Hulett enjoy a cup of coffee during dinner.



Marie Fransaw and Iva Lee Griffith get acquainted. Sharing the same table are Bill Steils, N. J. and Flo Ellis, and Bobbie Steils.



Retiree Olin Roberts shares a hug with Sammy Davis, who still works in the Treating Department. George and Marlene Buisson find their steaks delicious.



SOMEONE AT YOUR TABLE CHOKING? TRY HUGGING THEM....

Are you aware that some 36,000 Americans die needless deaths caused from choking on a piece of food? Most of these deaths can be prevented by implementing a simple first aid maneuver

originated by Dr. Henry Heimlich, director of surgery at Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati. The method was recently featured in SHELL NEWS and involves the rescuer stand-

ing behind the choking victim, holding him with both arms around his waist at just above the belt line. The victim should then slumped forward, head and (Continued on page 3)

master mechanic Leo Dickey to return "home"

all of the operating people in the refinery. Of course, at two o'clock in the morning you might wish that so many people didn't know you!

With some 200 staff and hourly people under his guidance, Leo has a lot to occupy his hours at Shell and a few at home. Crafts

Leo goes over measurements with Joe Baumbach in an effort to finalize the turnaround.



he is over include the instrumentmen, electricians, line crew and the machinists. All of which have to maintain quality control on all work they do throughout the refinery.

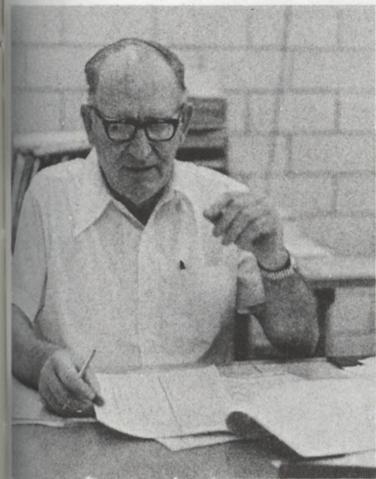
Most of the equipment they work on is directly concerned with unit throughput. When emergencies do occur, chances are 50:50 that they will be called upon to handle it.

And any new expansion

usually means that the crafts will be there to make any necessary adjustments upon startup.

If Leo didn't feel an obligation to seeing the catalytic cracker turnaround completed, he undoubtedly would have retired sooner than the end of May, as he has plans to build a new home in a new subdivision near Lake Madison. This new home will be close to the old 500-acre, family homesite where Leo grew up among the big Sycamores, fishing in its lake and hunting in the woods nearby.

Although the East Texas town of Madisonville is small (2,400-2,500 pop.), it was home to Leo as a boy growing up, and he looks forward, with eager anticipation, to returning home.



A quick review of pertinent data necessitated a return trip to his office in Engineering Field.

KULHANEK'S DAUGHTER WINS 5 EDITORIAL AWARDS

Ed E. Kulhanek's daughter, Paulette, recently won five awards for her contributions to the San Jacinto Junior College newspaper, THE TEXIAN.

The newspaper edited by Paulette during the 1974-75 class year was rated second in the state by the Texas Junior College Press Association.

Paulette placed first in makeup and picture page makeup competitions. She also won awards in general column writing, feature photography, picture page layout and two in page makeup.

The young lady plans to enter the University of Texas this fall majoring in journalism.



Paulette proudly displays her winning style.

Someone at your table choking? Try hugging them....

arms dangling. By grasping one of his own wrists and squeezing hard up towards the diaphragm, the rescuer can often pop the food out. Think of it as a "reversed bear hug."

If the victim has already collapsed, the rescuer need not pick him up. If the victim is face down, the rescuer can straddle the buttocks, place both hands around the victim - one on top of the other - just below the diaphragm, and pull sharply up and toward the victim's head. If he is face up, straddle the thighs and place both hands - one on top of the other - just below the diaphragm and push sharply down toward

the victim's head.

Repeat the procedure if necessary, and, if possible, a bystander should be ready to remove the ejected food out of the mouth so it isn't inhaled again.

The reason this maneuver helps is that there is always residual air in the lungs and by compressing it, the increased air pressure forces the obstruction out.

This is a good method for everyone to be familiar with. Also, remember the victim, if still conscious, cannot speak.

Under these circumstances mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is of no value and would only drive the food deeper into the windpipe.



"Our new foreman is really after increased production! I see he's limited our coffee breaks to instant coffee."

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Good upright practice piano.
\$100.
649-3987 after 5:30 pm

1972 Suzuki 125, orange,
10,000 miles, 2 helmets plus
extra tire.
472-0440

1973 Pinto Runabout, air,
AM-FM radio, disc brakes,
4-speed, low mileage. \$2,095.
479-2963

Twin beds with mattresses,
box springs, headboard,
sheets, mattress covers,
spreads. \$80.
485-3064

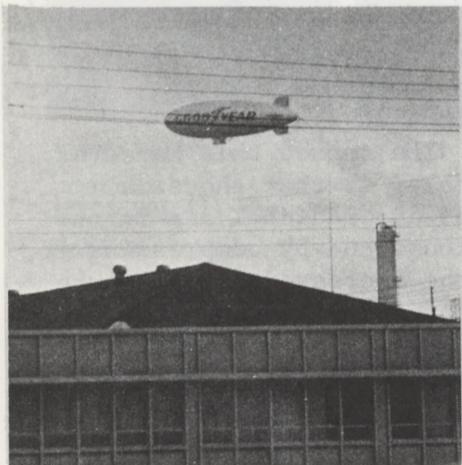
1974 Suzuki GT750 in excel-
lent condition. Credit
Union financed. Take over
payments. \$1,350.
481-3237

1966 Mustang, 8 cyl., auto,
air, radio, very clean, new
Dupont enamel paint, good
condition. \$700.
424-7382

Antique Queen Anne loveseat
in yellow velvet. \$225.
479-2700

37 acres in Buffalo, Texas
(Leon County), half coastal,
half woods, spring water,
storage house, barn, corral,
1400 sq ft mobile home.
\$32,000 or \$20,000 w/o home.
479-4280

**A GLIMPSE OF
THE BLIMP**



It was a sightseeing tour
of the ship channel one sunny
day a few weeks ago for those
aboard the Goodyear blimp as
it cruised along the skyline.

1969 Ford 3/4-ton pickup.
479-2261



FOUND

St. Christopher metal near
plant cafeteria on May 19.
Silver with blue background.
Claim at the SHELLEGRAM
office.

WANTED TO BUY

14' boat trailer, semi-V
bottom.
941-5979

Good used clarinet.
479-2700

WANTED TO RENT

House, 3 bedrooms, garage
in Pasadena/Deer Park area.
477-4072 after 5 pm

FREE

Four kittens.
649-8632

5½ week old puppies. Small
mixed breed, three black and
one brown.
479-8286 after 4:30 pm

SELF-STUDY GROUP COMPLETES PROGRAM



The Wednesday Self-Study group was recently completed. Those shift foremen participating included: Kneeling, L. E. Jackson, E. D. Burr, K. H. Cook and D. J. Slaven. Second row, Leroy F. Holy, W. G. Wieser, W. D. Alfred, J. W. Heidrick, instructor Len Fite and J. P. Gooch. Third row, Steve Compton, Vic Tarver, E. R. Taylor and A. Chester.

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