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P. E. Hurley Succeeds M. P. L. Love as Refinery Manager

SERA Picnic to be Held At Galveston County Park

Galveston County Park at League City will once again be the site of the SERA picnic, slated August 28.

Picnic planners had entertained hopes of being able to hold this year's fete on the SERA's recently-purchased property near Friendswood. However, Picnic Chairman Kemper Kaiser, after conferring with the members of his committee and SERA Board members, announced that the club site would not be ready for use by picnic time.

It was further pointed out that by staging the picnic at Galveston County Park, work on the SERA property can continue uninterrupted, making it possible for SERA members to have individual picnics there before the summer is over.

An amateur talent show has been cooked up for the picnic by Entertainment Chairman Elaine Stovall, Chemical Plant Stores Department. Prizes will be awarded to the winners. The only contest

rules are that the entrants must be either Shell employees or be in the employees' immediate family; that all acts be no longer than five minutes, and that all entrants must attend an audition-rehearsal on August 21.

Kaiser urged that the SERA members return as soon as possible the reservation forms which were mailed out July 15.

This advance reservation system is necessary so that the food committee can anticipate the amount of food required. SERA members and their dependents are entitled to free tickets and they may request adult guest tickets at \$3.00 each and children (12 years or under) tickets at \$1.50 each.

Steaming hot barbecue will be served from noon to 6 p.m.

McKeown Elected Vice-President of Teen-Age Baseball



McKEOWN

Harry McKeown, Machine Shop, has been elected vice-president of the Texas Teen-Age Baseball Association, and will be inaugurated during ceremonies in Brownwood on August 15.

Mr. McKeown must have made a very good impression at the Teen-Age Baseball convention in Waco, for he received 98% of the votes cast in the vice-presidential race.

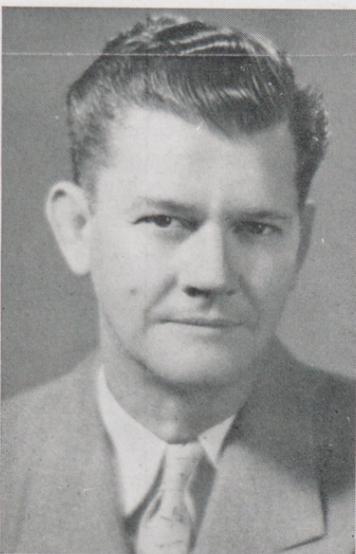
At the urging of son Wayne, who is now 16, Harry began participating in the Teen-Age Baseball Association four years ago. The Association lists some 670 Teen-Agers throughout Texas.

WHAT'S INSIDE

Phil Holmes, Pipe Shop, has an unusual hobby you might enjoy reading about on pages 4 and 5. . . Also on page 5 is a salute to Shell employees who are on military leave. . . Read about the Secretaries' Institute on page 2. . . Chemical Plant news appears on pages 6 and 7.



P. E. HURLEY
... To Houston



M. P. L. LOVE
... To London

Mr. Love Receives London Assignment; Mr. Hurley Comes Here From Norco, La.

P. E. Hurley, Acting Superintendent of Houston Refinery from 1941 to 1945 and Norco (La.) Refinery Manager for the past nine years, will return to Houston Refinery as Manager, effective August 1.

He succeeds M. P. L. Love, Houston Refinery Manager since 1951, who has been transferred to Shell's London office on a special assignment.

Mr. Hurley won many friends during the four years he acted as Houston Refinery Superintendent. In November of 1945, he was transferred to Norco as Manager.

Houston Refinery's new Manager began his Shell service 34 years ago as a Gauger at Wood River Refinery in 1920. He was transferred to Arkansas City Refinery as Head Stillman (Topping and Cracking) in 1927. He was promoted to Assistant Superintendent of that Refinery in 1929 and to Superintendent in 1935. In 1938, Mr. Hurley was transferred to Norco Refinery as Superintendent. He remained at Norco until his first transfer to Houston Refinery in December of 1941.

Norco Refinery has made many strides forward under the management of Mr. Hurley as has Houston Refinery under the guidance of Mr. Love.

The Louisiana Refinery is in the midst of a large-scale modernization program. Under Mr. Love's direction, Houston Refinery has added the Platformer and the Aromatics Concentration Unit.

Mr. Love came to Houston Refinery in 1951 from Head Office where he served for three years as Manager of the Manufacturing Research Department.

He joined Shell in 1935 as a Junior Analytical Chemist at the Wood River Refinery. In 1939 he became Assistant Chief Research Chemist

at Wood River and the following year he was transferred to New York as a Senior Technologist in the Manufacturing-Development Department of Shell Oil Company. In 1942 he moved to Houston Refinery for the first time as Chief Research Chemist and in 1943 he was made Director of Research here. Later that same year he moved to Wood River in the same capacity, remaining there until 1948 when he was transferred to Head Office.

J. C. Rivers Retires; Plans to Continue In Salvage Work



RIVERS

James C. Rivers, who retired on pension July 1, is enjoying a brief rest before going into the reclamation and salvage business, the same line of work in which he was engaged at Houston Refinery.

First employed by Shell in 1929 at Houston Refinery, he spent 29 years in the Automotive Department before transferring into the Stores Department as Salvage Foreman.

Mr. and Mrs. Rivers live at 8209 Bangle.

Newcomers Include First Chemical Engineeress:

Research Lab Enlists 17 Chemists, Engineers

Seventeen young Chemists and Engineers from 16 different universities including the laboratory's first Chemical Engineeress will bring the staff of the Houston Research Laboratory to an all time high in its 20 year history. In addition, seven budding scientists have joined the staff for the summer.

The new men have been attracted to Houston from all parts of the United States. For example, Dr. L. R. Snyder, a Physical Organic Chemist is from the University of California and R. P. Sallee is a Chemical Engineer from Brooklyn Polytechnical Institute. However, the majority are from southern colleges with only the University of Florida providing two men. All the new members of the laboratory's staff have completed their training in courses which have been accredited by



PAT STALLINGS

The lone girl Chemical Engineer, Pat Stallings, is a graduate of Houston's own Rice Institute. She makes her home in Pasadena and is one of 12 Chemical Engineers joining the staff. Seven of the new arrivals have earned their Doctor's degree. The other 10 have Bachelors' and Masters' degrees.

Newcomers to Research Lab are A. F. Rosenberg, Duke; W. R. Biles, Penn State; E. C. Jernigan, Alabama; L. P. Bosanquet, Florida; O. M. Shultz, Florida; D. E. Hayford, VPI; R. A. Tickner, Georgia Tech; P. A. Stallings, Rice.

R. P. Sallee, Brooklyn Poly Tech; M. L. Geiger, Purdue; J. W. Burdett, Texas A&M; F. N. Rowe, Jr., North Carolina State; J. E. Gwyn, Wisconsin; N. E. Duncan, Rensselaer; L. R. Snyder, California; E. O. Kindschy, Montana State, and J. L. Ogilvie, Texas.

their respective professional societies.



PENDLETON



JACKSON



SIFFORD



TAYLOR



GRAY



MATSON



CASSNER



FERAY



WALKER



JOINES

SERVICE BIRTHDAYS

REFINERY

FIFTEEN YEARS

W. L. Darby
L. G. Hamilton

TEN YEARS

W. H. Dowdy
N. Holifield
P. C. Holmes
C. A. Janac
C. Schmidt
J. F. Schneider
H. F. Tighe

R. E. PENDLETON

A Machinist in Cracking Clean Out, R. E. Pendleton marks 25 years of Shell service this month. He was first employed as a Pipefitter's Helper No. 1 in 1929 at Houston Refinery.

Bob and his wife have four children. The Pendletons reside at 324 S. Spooner in Pasadena.

L. C. FERAY

L. C. Feray, who began his Shell service in 1929 as a Truck Driver observes his twenty-fifth anniversary as a Transportation Foreman.

Feray's favorite spare-time diversion is "doing anything that seems interesting—like baby-sitting with my two grand-daughters."

He and his wife reside at 7324 Stanwick Drive in Houston.

H. J. GRAY

Hugh J. Gray, Shift Foreman in Control Lab, marks 25 years of

CORRECTION



Rollins



Funk

The Shellegram apologizes to R. G. Funk and J. O. Rollins for wrongly identifying their service birthday photos in last month's issue.

Shell service in July. He was first employed as a Crude Tester at Houston Refinery in 1929.

He likes to collect stamps and take photographs. "Hugo" also sings in the St. Mark's Methodist Church.

He and his wife live at 1111 Winston St., Houston.

W. H. JACKSON

First employed as a Pipefitter Helper at Houston Refinery in 1929, Warren Henry Jackson receives his gold service watch in July.

Now an Oil Handling Foreman in Dispatching, "Jack" has had experience as a Gauger, Pumper, Assistant Loading Rack Foreman, Cargo Ethyl Blender and Assistant Oil Handling Foreman.

"Jack," who attended Warren Easton High school in New Orleans, is married and has one child. The Jacksons live at 8003 Power, Houston.

O. R. JOINES

An Ethyl Blender in Dispatching, Otis Ray Joines chalks up 25 years of Shell service in July. He was first employed as a Rigger Helper at Houston Refinery in 1929.

Through the years, he has been a Pipefitter Helper, Dock Helper, Gate Watchman at the Docks, a Gauger and No. 1 Pumper.

Superintendent of the Extension Department of the Lindale Baptist Church, O. R. also enjoys hunting, fishing and working in his fruit orchard. He is married and has two children. The Joines reside at 1116 Post St., Houston.

L. A. CASSNER

Libbie A. Cassner, Stenographer and Timekeeper in the Gas Department, observes 20 years of Shell service in July. When Libbie was first employed at Houston Refinery in 1934 as a Stenographer, she recalls that there were only eight women employees here at that time—five stenographers and three nurses.

She attended Pine Prairie, Louisiana, High School and Massey

Business College, and her present spare time interests are traveling, cooking, sewing and working in the yard. Of course, her chief interest now is her two grandchildren.

M. O. SIFFORD

First employed as a Typist-Clerk in 1929 at Houston Refinery, M. O. Sifford has been in the Stores department throughout his 25 years service except for a brief time in the Cost Department. He's now Inventory Supervisor.

Fishing and hunting are his favorite diversions. He and his wife live at 4605 Floyd St., Houston.

C. J. TAYLOR

Clark Jackson Taylor began his Shell service 25 years ago as a Labor Foreman, and he receives his gold watch in July.

Now a Shift Foreman in Dispatching, "Jack" also has been a Gauger, Pumper and Operator in the Main Oil Pump House. Woodworking, boating and fishing are his spare time interests. He also likes to take part in School Board affairs.

He lives at 703 Sheldon Road, Route 5, Houston with his wife and two children.

C. E. WALKER

Twenty-five years of Shell service are Charles E. Walker's in July. A Clerk in Stock Accounting, "Red's" first job with Shell was as a Pipefitter at Houston Refinery.

"Red," who holds an LLB degree from the University of Houston, has also been a Gauger and a Fireman.

Married and the father of four children, he takes an active part in church work. Address of the Walker family is 3806 Wichita.

G. L. MATSON

G. L. Matson, Pipefitter, began his Shell service 20 years ago at Houston Refinery, where he has been ever since.

Married and the father of one child, his home is at 6932 Myrtle.

MILITARY LEAVES OF ABSENCE

REFINERY



M. D. McDonald
Chemist
7-2-54
Marines, 2nd Lt.



R. Barnes
Tech
6-15-54
AF, 2nd Lt.



C. H. Brown
Tech
6-15-54
AF, 2nd Lt.



L. R. Aalund
Control Lab
7-6-54
Army, Private

CHEMICAL



G. L. Warner
5-13-54
Army
Engineering



T. R. Snedden
5-6-54
Army
Technological



D. A. Graham, Jr.
6-25-54
Army
Laboratory



E. H. Frank
6-18-54
Army
Laboratory



A. D. Brown
5-20-54
Army
Laboratory



R. C. Robbins
6-8-54
2nd Lt., Army
Laboratory



D. F. Davidson
6-15-54
2nd Lt., Air Force
Treasury



B. R. Cox
6-9-54
Marines
Paint Shop

Baker Succeeds Arnold as Club Head; Operations, Graduations Reported

D. M. Baker recently succeeded B. W. Arnold as President of the Rosarians, city-wide Catholic Young people's organization. Both are of the Research Lab.

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O. R. Belinger and S. W. (Rusty) Chalmers, Instrument Shop, are recuperating from back operations, and their friends at Houston Refinery wish them a speedy recovery.

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A change in your family status may affect the type of Shell Hospital Surgical-Medical coverage for which you are eligible. If you are single, you are enrolled for EMPLOYEES INSURANCE only. When you marry, it will be up to you to enroll for DEPENDENTS INSURANCE, if you wish to provide coverage for your spouse under the Shell Program. Once you are enrolled for DEPENDENTS INSURANCE, all your eligible dependents will be covered automatically.

Maternity benefits are available only to the wife of an employee who has DEPENDENTS INSURANCE and to the married female employee who has enrolled for DEPENDENTS INSURANCE.

It is important that you check, from time to time, the type of in-

surance for which you are enrolled under the Shell Program to make sure that you have the protection you want to meet your individual situation.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Landry, Tech Department, attended the graduation of their son, Jerry, from Bolles Military School in Jacksonville, Fla., on June 16. Jerry attended the Bolles school for the past two years after transferring from Houston's Lamar High School.

Jerry was awarded the Bolles French Medal for maintaining the highest grade in French for the past two years. He was also assistant editor of the school annual. In extra-curricular activities, he played the French horn in the school band and was intramural tennis champion.

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Vacationing Shellites might do well to take note of some 1953 traffic statistics before pressing down a little harder on the accelerator of their automobiles. In 1953, 38,500 Americans were killed and 2,140,000 injured in traffic accidents, the heaviest toll in history. And it is a fact that excessive speed was the principal cause of traffic accidents last year.

Shell's Carol Lane can help you plan your vacation, but she can't help put you back together again if you speed your way into an accident.



Lillian Long, Virginia Lowery, Doris Winner, Hilda Chavalier, Vivian Tucker, Etoyle Mathews, Iris Harmon enjoy luncheon at the Shamrock Hotel during the Institute for Secretaries.

R. L. Lucas Takes Part in Panel During Secretaries' Institute

R. L. Lucas, Treasury Manager, P & IR; Iris Harmon, Treasury, participated in a panel discussion and Hilda Chevalier, Treasury, non-members.

From Chemical Plant came Doris Winner, Administration, and Virginia Lowery, Research, members, and Vivian Tucker, Administration, non-member.

Sponsored by the Houston Chapter of the National Secretaries Association in cooperation with the University of Houston, the Institute for Secretaries was held May 22. The three-fold purpose of the N.S.A. is to improve the standards of the secretarial profession; to provide educational benefits, and to sponsor civic and social activities.

"The Secretary as a Professional Person" was the topic of the Institute's panel in which Mr. Lucas participated. Val Jean McCoy, Shell's Houston Public Relations Representative, delivered the main address, "Public Relations is Everybody's Business."

Refinery employees who attended the Institute are Lillian Long, Research, and Etoyle Mathews, P & IR.

Iris Harmon Participates in Panel

Iris Harmon, a senior Accountant in Treasury, participated in a panel discussion during the July meeting of the Desk and Derrick Club at the Rice Hotel. "Woman's Place in the Oil Industry" was the topic of the discussion.

Mrs. Harmon was well-equipped to take part in the panel as she has been with Shell since 1942, and before that enjoyed a highly successful Auditing career in Oklahoma.

Born in Guthrie, which is in Logan County, Oklahoma, she attended Business College in Ponca City, then held various positions with Oklahoma firms before Texas lured her away from her native state in 1939.

She is very active in the Desk and Derrick Club, her current office being that of Finance Committee Chairman. She has also served on the Field Trip, Convention and Nominating Committees.

Etoyle Mathews, P & IR, is a member of the Hospitality Committee.



CHEMICAL

April 23: Patricia Gail, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Page (Boiler Shop).

April 26: Mildred Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hart, (Boiler Shop).

May 3: Donald Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Hoyt (Paint Shop).

May 13: Michael Burney, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Chappell (Machine Shop).

May 9: Stephen Ray, son and Susan Kay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Farmer (G Dept.).

May 21: Paul Kevin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cutrer (G Department).

May 27: Rebecca Cheryl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Herman (E Dept.).

May 31: Rodney Harlan, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Smith (Pipe Shop).

June 1: Glenn Marcus, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fife (G Department).

June 2: Sandra Aline, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Daugherty (A Department).

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May 28: Stephen Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. M. King (Thermal Cracking).

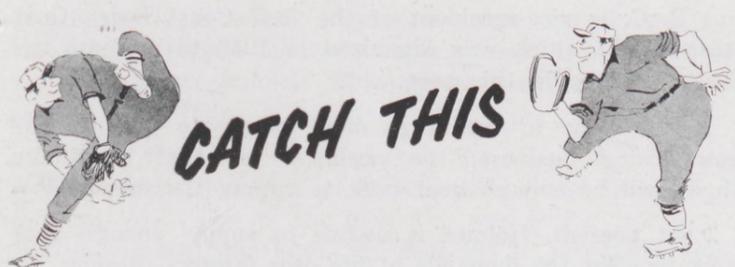
May 29: Thomas Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Miler (Carpenter Shop).

June 9: Rickey Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Schroder (Automotive).

June 20: Sandra Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Grimes (Insulation).

June 26: Ross Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Nager (Research Laboratory).

June 28: Timothy Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Metts (Insulation).



About the Shell Provident Fund*

1. There are about 32,000 employees who are members of the Shell Provident Fund. Over 99 per cent of those eligible have become members.
2. The Shell Companies have paid approximately \$106,900,000 into the Shell Provident Fund since its inception. Company contributions for the year 1953 amounted to somewhat over \$14,000,000.
3. Net payments into the Fund by members have totalled approximately \$105,700,000, and the

sum of both Company and member payments amounts to about \$212,600,000.

4. Through its investments, the Shell Provident Fund has earned approximately \$25,900,000.
5. Amounts paid to withdrawing members in settlement of their Fund accounts total about \$49,000,000.
6. The total standing to the credit if members is approximately \$184,900,000, which represents an average balance of approximately \$5,770 per member.

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Personnel Changes

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Engineering			
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E. V. Hambrick	Loader, Shipping	General Helper	
M. R. Harrington	Jr. Oper. Dup., Treas.	Junior Clerk	
J. A. Kangers	Operator Helper, G	Truck Driver No. 2	
C. R. Pilcher	Loader/Rackman, Shipping	Pipefitter Helper No. 2	
H. J. Schneider	Loader, Shipping	General Helper	
G. W. Wehant	Steno, P & IR	Stenographer	
G. D. White	Julius Hyman, Denver	Draftsman	
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S. J. Stolton	Military Leave	Chemist	
P & IR			
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K. S. Hartman	Chemist, Lab.	Chemist	
E. L. Jacobson	Chemist, Lab.	Chemist	
Technological			
A. E. Lichty, Jr.	Chemist	Technologist	
Treasury			
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P. R. Coury	Junior Clerk	Jr. Oper. Dup.	
B. J. Glascock	Military Leave	Clerk	
J. N. Hurst	Clerk	Accountant	
F. J. Szopa	Clerk, G	Clerk	



Holmes f



This prize doe walked off with Grand Champion honors at the recent TGCDGA Exhibition.



Milking is a chore which takes only about 25 minutes a day. Result: Nine quarts of milk.



Have you ever thought about raising goats, or drinking goat milk?

If not, then give P. C. Holmes, Pipe Shop, five minutes, and chances are you'll be persuaded to try either or both.

A personable young man, Phil can be very convincing when it comes to talking about goats, for they have been his hobby since 1950.

He took an interest in things agricultural after moving to Texas from Chicago following World War II duty with the Marines.

Some four and a half years ago, Holmes chanced to read a magazine article on goat raising. The article interested him so greatly that he promptly subscribed to the magazine and started out on a brand-new venture.

Phil's herd quickly grew to five in number. The increase in the size of his herd forced him to forsake his Pasadena home for two acres in La Porte. On the land, Holmes built a home for his family and a stable for his goats.

The Holmes herd now numbers seven milking does, three baby does and one registered Buck.

P. C. is vice-president of the Gulf Coast Dairy Goat Association, which was organized in 1953 to promote the Goat Industry in this area.

"We hope to encourage more people to go into the goat-raising business," he explains, "so that eventually there will be enough goat milk to supply the demand."

At present, Holmes is unable to supply enough goat milk to meet the demands of his own family. Besides his wife and himself, there are four husky lads and three collic pups, and nine quarts of goat milk just do not make the rounds.

Holmes supplements his daily supply of goat milk with a quart or two of cow milk. "That proves I've nothing against cow milk," he contends.

Well, then, why is the man so enthusiastic about goat milk? He lists a number of reasons, all of which make good sense.

He points out that goat milk is easily digestible, and as a result it is especially good for sick people and infants.

Phil's family helps out with the numerous chores. At the left, they fondle the youngest member of the Holmes herd, Mary.



It costs Phil only a few cents a day to feed his herd of 11 goats.



s for goats

Moreover, the bacteria count in goat milk is lower without benefit of pasteurization. It is a fact that the Houston City Council ruled that goat milk is so pure it can be sold raw. Another point which Holmes brings out is that goat milk is naturally homogenized.

Finally, there is the fact that prolonged research has never shown a positive reaction in goat milk to T. B.

The four husky Holmes lads—John Kenneth, 12; Phillip C., Jr., 7; Jeffrey Ferrell, 4, and Timothy Lionel, 1—are living testimony in support of Phil's claim that goat milk is good for health. The youngest two have been raised on goat milk. The other two have been drinking goat milk for the past four years.

Having covered the reasons why it's a good idea to drink goat milk, Holmes then turns to the advantages of raising the goats yourself.

First of all, they require less space and are much cheaper to raise than cows. He contends you can feed six or eight goats for the cost of feeding one dairy cow. The nine quarts of goat milk yielded daily by Holmes' does costs about 25 cents.

The only drawback to raising goats that Holmes can think of — if you can call it a drawback — is that they are affectionate animals which demand personal attention and care.

When Holmes' buddies in the Shop heard of his hobby, it goes without saying that he was the butt of many good-natured joke. One of the men who was giving Holmes an especially hard time later had occasion to apologize. Goat milk was credited with saving his child's life.

For Holmes, who was first employed by Shell in 1946, retirement is still a number of years away, but he has already decided that when the time does come, he's going into the goat-raising business on a full-time basis.

How does Mrs. Holmes feel about her husband's hobby? She's all in favor of it. In fact, she does quite a bit of the work entailed in caring for a small goat herd. Since the arrival of young Timothy Lionel, she hasn't had as much time to do anything but care for her four sons, leaving most of the outdoor work for Phil. But he doesn't seem to mind at all. He puts in about 20 to 30 minutes in the morning; about the same amount of time in the evening, and that's all there is to it.



SALUTING OUR SERVICEMEN

The Shellegram publishes from of our country was declared—is time to time the addresses of an appropriate time to salute the Houston Refinery and Chemical Service men and women who are Plant employees who are on military leaves of absence. July—month in which the independence that Servicemen greatly appreciate receiving letters from their friends here at the Refinery and Chemical Plant. Here are their addresses . . . let's get those letters written without delay!

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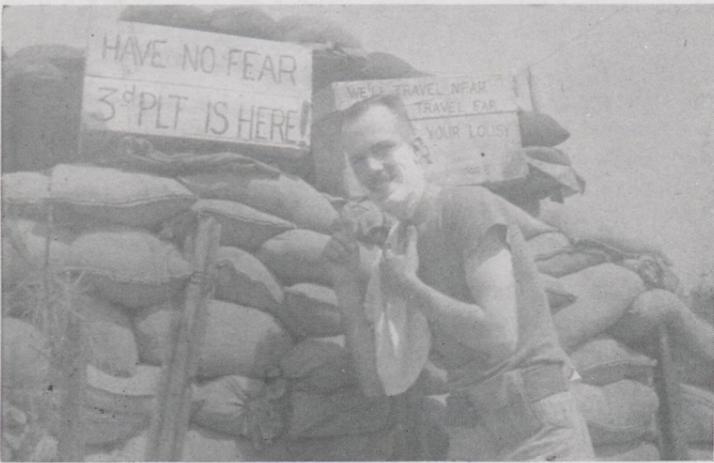
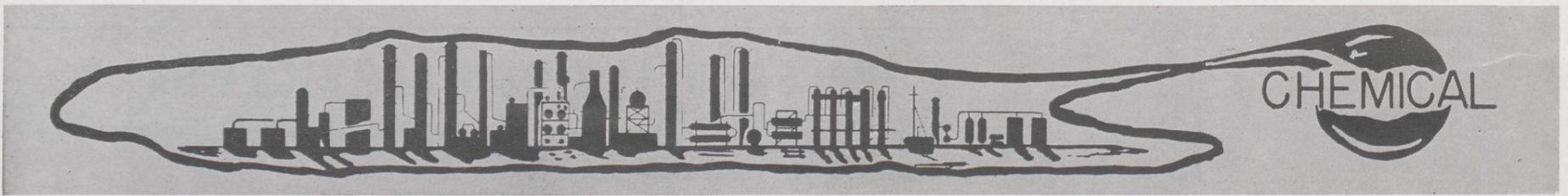
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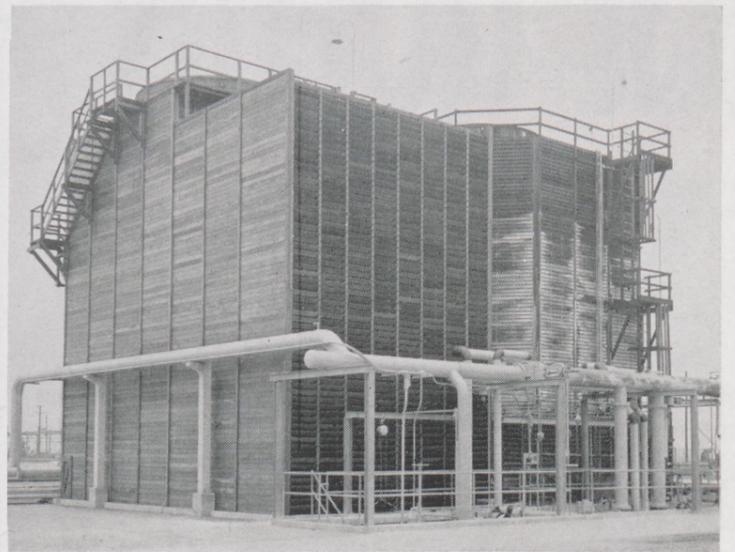
When over-seas, Capt. Warren Wolff, of C Operations, was snapped taking time out for a shave. He is State-side now.

Five Shellites Have July 4 Birthdays

THEY ARE OUR YANKEE DOODLE BOYS real live nephews of our Uncle Sam, born on the Fourth of July. . . .

- S. C. Cobb, Insulator Shop
- C. J. Bryant, Pipe Shop
- V. E. Swain, Paint Shop
- Nathan Edwards, G Department
- N. W. Hall, Research

The above employees, like the famous George M. Cohan, have the privilege of being born on America's big day. Cohan knew Americans and he wrote for Americans. Critics said he waved a flag, but we know it is "a grand flag," too. Cohan is credited with writing at least 40 plays and musicals and composing 500 songs. For half a century he reflected the sentimental, cocksure, we-can-do-anything spirit of an America on the move. America is still on the move and we have our Yankee Doodle boys to prove it.



New Cooling Water Tower 5A

Cooling Water Tower Construction Completed

New Cooling Water Tower 5A which was recently completed, is located in Plant EC-2 Area. It serves the exchangers in G-200 area. Provides 3000 gallons per minute of cooling water. The Cooling Water Tower has a dual drive electric 150hp motor and 150hp steam turbine on the same shaft. Control provided to start the turbine automatic in case of power failure. The tower was completed on June 15th.

News From Chem. Plant MLA Men

The Chemical Plant has from its ranks of employees forty-five people on leave in the Military Services. They are helping in the big job of National Defense which is always necessary. We have received a few snapshots of some of the folks on Military Leave and our hats are off to them.



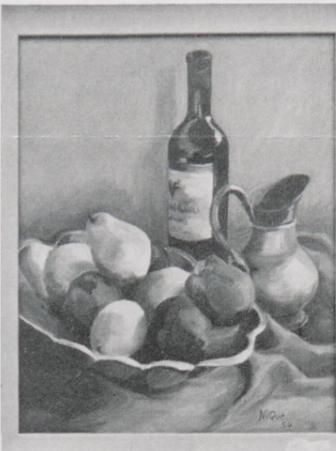
Lt. Claude Levinge and his wife, Bernice, are stationed at Moffett Base in California. He worked in the Boiler Shop.

Nique Eberman, Mrs. Thurmond Share Painting Interest-Ability

Painting as a hobby is really enjoyed by two of our Chemical Plant employees' wives, Mrs. Nique Eberman and Mrs. Evelyn Thurmond. Nique and Evelyn met at an art class which was held at old Taylor School and to their surprise found that their husbands, Joe and R. E., both worked here. They have been painting and studying painting together for a good while now. In April they each entered one painting in the annual Art Show given by the Art League of Houston. Out of some seventy-eight paintings entered twenty-nine were chosen to be displayed in the L & C Cafeteria gallery. Both Nique's and Evelyn's paintings were among the twenty-nine along with paintings, some of which were done by professionals.

They like to paint almost anything, however they are both partial to landscapes. Beautiful scenery is very relaxing to paint. One point gained from their art study which most people do not realize is that artist paint with their minds and not with their hands alone.

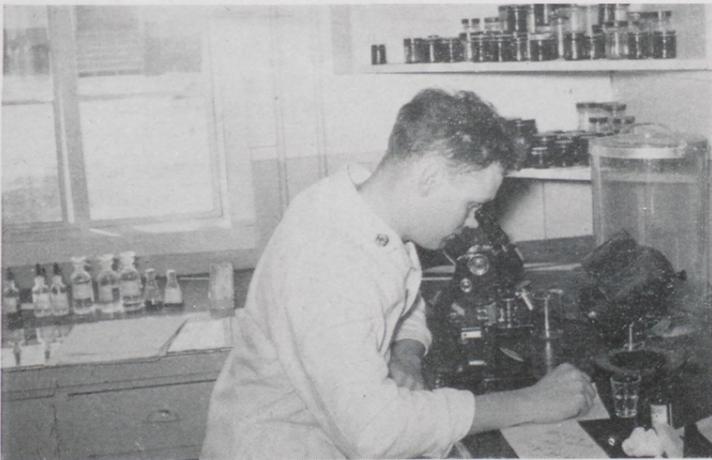
This summer Nique is studying color and composition at the Museum School of Art under Robert Preusser. "When you are ignorant on a subject," explains Nique about her study, "with an open mind you can really learn." Mrs. T. T. McClellan has also attended classes with Evelyn and Nique, but she did not enter the Art Show.



Honorable Award was given to Nique's delightful painting.



You can almost hear sounds of the sea in Evelyn's painting.



Henry Baxton is a Laboratory Technician in the hospital at Camp Carson, Colorado. He was a chemist in the Laboratory.

Faye Wismer Given Dinner



The gang rest after dinner. Faye makes a short speech.

The Alabama Blue Room was the setting for the farewell party given to Faye Wismer, Engineering Steno. Frank Barr was the M. C. for the evening which included a delightful dinner, Faye's short but sweet speech and dancing. Some forty folks, Engineers and their wives, were present, to wish Faye and Larry the best of happiness.



Both Mrs. Eberman (left) and Mrs. Thurmond spend their spare hours painting. A hobby requiring much time and effort.

Here and There

Perry's Daughter Weds; E Dept. In Golf Tourney

Mr. and Mrs. James A. "Coveralls" Perry have announced the marriage of their daughter, Willo Dean, to a very lucky fellow named Arthur Young on June 25th. We wish them both all that's good in life.

E Department now has a monthly golf tournament. So far they have had two tournaments. The June results came out like this. After 60 years of retirement C. C. "Ben Hogan" McCullough came to the "fore" and took E Department Open hands down and is now undisputed champ of the fairways. He matched his still against other such notables as Bill Cummings (of TV's Darts for Dough fame), Joe Arrington, John Hoesel, and V. M. Daniels. Bill "Slammin' Sammy" Powell came in a close second. The July tourney ran something like this: Bill Cummings at the top, Frank Janeka in second place, and Charlie Wheeler in third. The six others who participated in this event were Joe Arrington, Bill Powell, Al Woodring, John Hoesel, Rod Morrogh, and H. G. Sealy. It was the first time out for Al Woodring, who showed his skill by taking fifth place and also the first time out for Charlie Wheeler, who was among the top three. The tournament is played on a handicap basis and really is fun for all members of the E De-

partment. Joe Arrington holds the prize for low gross score in both tournaments, but the other golfers expect his supremacy to be short lived.

The latest on Glenn Harden is that he is now in deep negotiations with R. R. Jeffcoat to buy a marine moter. Information has it that the transaction is quite involved.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Start are the two newest E Department member to claim Pasadena as their new home. They live at 1902 Cascade.

The newest blood in the E Department is in the form of R. C. Armstrong and C. M. Shoemaker—meet 'em they are both nice folks.

B. A. Parker came up with the best fish story of the month, an 82 pound (dressed) jewfish. Don't argue with him though, he has ever pound of it in Rosko's deep freeze for proof.

At this writing we've only one man on the "Sick List." He is Carl Morgan. We hope to see you back soon old man.

Lab Tests!!

Spring and June graduates have swelled the Laboratory ranks. A number of new employees have reported since the middle of April. So if you feel "Strange" when you visit the Laboratory from one of

the other Departments, it isn't unusual—many in the Laboratory feel that way too. The suggestion has been made that everyone wear a name tag—maybe that's not a bad idea.

Along with moves in the Laboratory, quite a number are being transferred to other Departments. Don Haupt and Hank Lichty, and Hank Sobala have moved to Tech. Research Department has claimed Lee Jacobson, Laddie Macha, Larry Teague, Ken Hartman, F. Simpson and R. J. Slyker.

Steve Stolton is back from his "tour of duty" with Uncle Sam. After basic training he spent his time at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama. This is the Army's Rocket and Guided Missile Center. Steve worked in the rocket development laboratory.

Jack Ray of Troop 300 of La-Porte took top honors at the recent Boy Scout fishing derby. He landed a 26½ inch Red fish. The prizes were a rod and reel for himself and a tent for the troop.



Ginger and Judy

These two young equestriennes, vacationing at Garner Park, Texas, are Ginger, 7, and Judy, 10. They are the daughters of Charlie Pearce, G-EC Shift Foreman.

Nique and Joe Eberman are the proud grandparents of a baby girl, Cheryl Lyn Murphy. Cheryl Lyn weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and was born June 3, 1954 at Anchorage, Alaska.

Jack "Old Salt" Carter of the Utilities Department has a small sailboat to thank for his present freedom. A couple of weeks ago Jack was cutting across Clear Lake in his newly acquired 15 foot Helton giving his family a thrill. Half way across the lake, Jack had to reduce his speed to yield the right-of-way to a sailboat cutting across his bow. Just then Jack spotted the Coast Guard hauling in the "Hot Rods" of the high seas for excessive speeds. They had already collected four speeders and we wonder whether Jack could have easily been the fifth had he not yielded the right-of-way to the sailboat.

Harry Konzen, son of Master Mechanic S. F. Konzen, was commissioned to 2nd Lieutenant in the University of Houston R. O. T. C. recently. Harry will graduate from college in August.

Pipe Shop Piping

If anyone catches a large fish that has "false teeth"—contact C. B. Malone in the Boiler shop. He lost a set on a fishing trip a while back.

We are wondering if Oscar Holt is still watching the exciting stock car races and ball games on Channel 39. Is it for sale now, Oscar?

Vic Anderson Presents 2nd Annual Art Exhibit



THE TRIO—Oil-areas are broken up with use of textures and color to form a design. It does not tell a story.



JUPITER—Steel Construction - a free form design, with variation of curved and straight lines meeting to form a design.

Above are two selections from Victor Anderson's 2nd Annual Art Exhibit, which was held at the Pasadena Library, June 27th thru July 3rd. Vic, an Engineer in Inspection, spends many hours at his study of art. When asked about his impressionistic work, Vic put it this way: "People always fall in line with realism because it is natural to them. If you take something realistic and distort it, basically you have the same thing. People find it hard to accept distortion in realism, yet they live

with it. You see reflections, shadows, views through curved windows, flashing lights at night and objects in motion. These are forms of distorted realism. Because all things must stem from nature, modern sculpture and painting are only realism with distortion."

New Air Conditioning Unit Installation Complete At Chemical Lunch Room

The summer heat will be somewhat escaped from at lunch time for our employees now. A seven-and-a-half-ton air conditioning unit has been installed in the lunch room. The unit has automatic control for temperature and humidity for both summer and winter months. The blower in the unit will circulate 2,500 feet per minute of filtered conditioned air for comfortable conditions in the lunch room. The unit was installed by Plant forces with the aid of J. Sanderson and his lineman crew from the Refinery. Electrician working on the job were N. L. Stevenson, W. P. Striklin and C. V. Ferguson; Pipefitters were N. G. Parten and D. C. Autery; Boiler-makers were T. N. Butzke and R. N. Treadway; Brick Masons were C. L. Harlow and L. E. Hale; Carpenters were G. J. Irwin, E. J. Rogers and A. L. Williams; the Foremen on the job were P. R. Crockett, G. E. Martin, Joe Smilke and G. Shannon. Some of the Laborers

on the job were L. Worsham, W. Morris, and W. Washington. Frank Barr was the job engineer for the project.

K. C. Walker and H. R. Adcock were the Instrumentmen working on this installation.



Frank Barr, Engineer, surveys new 7-ton air conditioning unit.



Robert, Richard and Forrest.

This stairstep trio of smiling father is F. W. Silva of the Paint Shop. The boys were just recently presented with their first sister, Debra Ellen, who was born June 25.

Social Club Members Enjoy Big Barn Dance



The Social Club held a Barn Dance on April 23, 1954 at the Club Delesia. Some of the people who made the dance possible are left to right: W. E. Hall, W. Lewis (Assistant Dance Chairman), H. O. B. Kizzee. (Dance Chairman). At the mike is Al Gray the orchestra leader, W. T. Bratton (President), D. C. Mobaly (Vice President), J. Johnson (Secretary) S. L. Richerson (Business Manager), F. Douglas (Assistant Business Manager). In the background are the band members.



Cool air is welcome addition to the Chemical Plant Lunch Room.

FOR SALE

Five room house, attic fan, floor furnace, hardwood floors and venetian blinds. 208 South Center, Pasadena, Texas. Price: \$8,000. Call after 5:00 p.m.. GR-2-5686. E. E. Black.



Sam Davis, Houston Refinery photographer, second from left, appears on the other side of the camera for a change as he discusses organization of the Society of Industrial Photographers with other members of that committee. Al Locke, also a Houston Refinery photographer, snapped the picture.

Davis, Locke Join Photography Organization

Houston Refinery's photographers Sam Davis and Al Locke were among the seven Shell employees who attended the organizational meeting of the proposed Society of Industrial Photographers June 23 at the Farnham House. Davis was appointed to the organization committee of the group, which is being formed to promote understanding, fellowship and co-operation of the Houston area's industrial photographers.



... these new employees and welcomed them to Shell?

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- J. C. DeLand, Chemist.
- M. D. McDonald, Chemist.

Engineering

- J. S. Bush, Engineer
- H. Simonsen, Design Draftsman.
- J. G. Burkett, General Helper.
- S. L. Vaughan, General Helper.
- J. P. Kralczyk, General Helper.
- R. Richards, General Helper.
- T. H. Jones, Jr., General Helper.
- J. M. Hall, General Helper.
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- J. W. Repp, General Helper.
- B. C. Boeck, General Helper.
- T. N. Ward, General Helper.

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- N. C. Nichols, Life-Guard.

Stores

- Margie Lou Weir, Typist-Clerk.

Tech

- K. O. Holbrook, Technologist.
- D. A. Wiegand, Technologist.

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- Elizabeth Ann Anderson, Steno.
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- J. R. Wood, General Helper

Dubbs 9 Men, Their Families Observe Unit's Anniversary with Barbecue



There was plenty of real good things to eat at the barbecue, with A. S. Mitchell doing a marvelous job as the chief chef.



The families of the men of Dubbs No. 9 gather at the monument before starting their tour of the Houston Refinery.

The men of Dubbs No. 9 and their families—some 70 persons in all—observed the eighteenth anniversary of that unit on June 18 with a barbecue at the San Jacinto Battlegrounds and a bus tour of Houston Refinery.

While the men who work at Dubbs No. 9 have celebrated that unit's birthday as stag affairs before, the 1954 outing was the first family affair. The wives and kiddies must have added to the event because at last report plans were to make the barbecue an annual affair to include the whole family.

An experienced hand when it comes to serving up a delicious barbecue plate, A. S. Mitchell, As-

sistant Department Manager, was called upon to act as chef. And his efforts are still being applauded.

Due to the Dubbs' shift schedule, the event began at 1 o'clock in the afternoon so that the 4 to 12 men and their families could get in on their share of the fun and food, which lasted until 7 o'clock that evening.

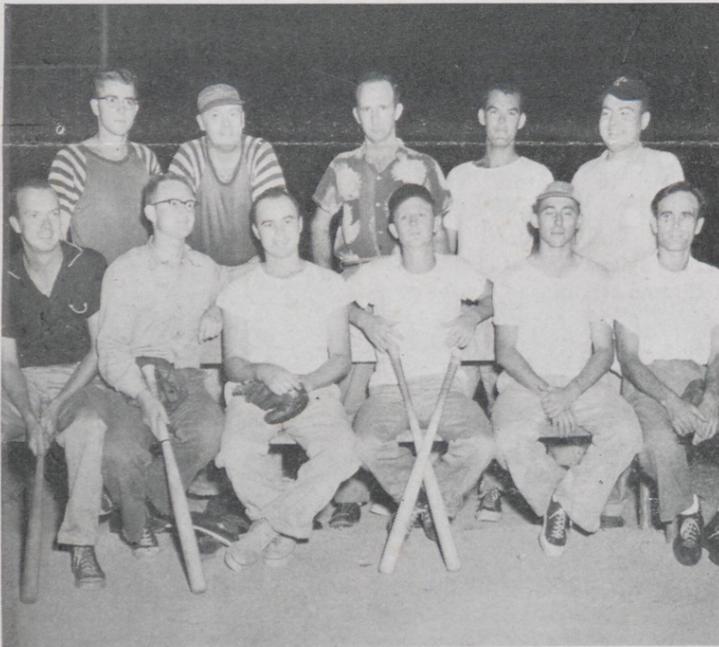
A majority of the wives and children who attended the picnic took the bus ride through the Refinery. Many of them, seeing the Refinery for the first time, were impressed with its cleanliness. It was explained to them that "Good Housekeeping" has been a Refinery by-word since it went on stream 25 years ago.

PETROLEUM BRIEFS

Oil refineries between New Orleans, Louisiana, and Brownsville, Texas, have a total capacity of 2,547,000 barrels a day. This total represents almost one fourth of the refinery capacity for the United States.

The total investment in oil refineries on the Gulf Coast is estimated at more than one billion dollars. Plant expansion for the next two years will call for the investment of over \$200,000,000.

The water pumped and the steam generated by oil refineries in the Gulf Coast are sufficient to meet the domestic requirements for water and heat of about one fifth of the entire population of the United States.



Houston Refinery's Team No. 5 in the Shell Softball Loop was composed of, from left to right, front row: Carney, Harris, Jenkins, Burch, Sprecher, Bolikos. Back row: McNamara, Eveld, Savage, Mehler, and Weissman, scorekeeper.



Team No. 6 of the Refinery consisted of, left to right, front row: Bishop, Hales, King, Payne, Chamblee. Back row: O'Sullivan, Alford, Roper, Bryant, English, Banks, Griffin.

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