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SERA Picnic Set June 22 at Shellwood

The Menu Is ...

Here is the menu to be served at the SERA picnic June 22:

	Plates
Barbecue Plate	\$1.00
Barbecue Chicken Plate	1.15
Barbecue Links Plate .....	.90
Any Two Meats Mixed	1.05

Barbecue plates will include potato salad, ranch style beans, bread, pickles, olives, relishes, sliced onions and coffee.

	Sandwiches
Barbecue Beef	\$.40
Barbecue Links .....	.35
Baked Ham .....	.40
Baked Ham and Cheese .....	.50
Cheese .....	.25

	Other Items
Potato Salad (4 oz.)	\$.20
Pie .....	.15
Cake .....	.10
Ice Cream Cups .....	.10
Snow Cones .....	.10
Soft Drinks .....	.05 and .10

New Pecten Introduction Will Be Made Gradually

Shell's familiar pecten emblem, packaging, service station signs and yellow color are being re-designed and modified as part of a continuing program of modernization within the Company.

These latest changes, which are being made gradually and will continue over a period of years, eventually will affect everything bearing the Company's emblem and colors—literally thousands of individual items ranging from service stations to stationery.

There have been relatively few changes in the Shell emblem since it was first filed in the United States Patent Office Dec. 23, 1908. A major change was made in 1949 when the Company officially adopted a standardized design and established policies for its use. Company colors have changed over the years with the last modification being in 1947 when the yellow was lightened and a minor change was made in the red.

Changes Are Subtle

The modifications in Shell's emblem are subtle and are primarily noticeable in an elongation of the pecten itself, the gradient of the 13 scallops and the design of the pecten's base. The circular appearance of the former emblem has been altered to accentuate a more forceful shell-like character.

The new emblem shared its

debut with Super Shell with TCP* when this new gasoline was introduced last year. Decals on the white pumps are of the new design.

Manufacturers of Shell's internally illuminated plastic service station signs have also switched their production to the new design. These signs will be installed at all new Shell stations—about 500 in 1957.

The contrast between Shell's yellow and red has been intensified with the adoption of a new yellow. This lighter shade was first used in March of 1956 on new service stations and tank trucks. In the future, as old stations are repainted, the lighter yellow will be used.

Packaging changes, incorporating the new emblem, were first made with the intro-

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The old ...



and

... the new

June 22 is picnic time for all SERA members and their families at the Shellwood grounds.

Free activities for every member of the family are scheduled at this first of two SERA picnics planned for this year. Events will get underway at noon and last until 10 p.m.

The only major difference between this picnic and the affairs held in previous years is

SERA Pool to Open June 1

The SERA swimming pool at the Shellwood grounds will open for the season on June 1.

Swimming Pool Chairman Charlie Stebbins (Ref. P&IR) said present rules call for the pool to be open from 10 a.m. until noon and 2:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. daily except Mondays and Tuesdays. However, he said these hours may be subject to change upon popular demand.

Rules for the use of the pool approved by the SERA Board of Directors include small admission charges to help pay for life guards and maintenance. Members of SERA and adult members of their immediate families will pay 25 cents while children under 12 will be admitted for 15 cents. Guests of members may use the pool for 25 cents.

Stebbins pointed out that one payment of the admission charge will entitle a person to swim as long as desired and to leave the pool and re-enter if swimming attire is still worn. Persons who dress and leave the pool will be required to pay again, except in the case of those who leave the pool during the closed noon to 2:30 period and desire to swim again in the afternoon. These persons may re-enter without an additional charge.

The \$36,400 pool was used briefly last fall after Open House ceremonies in late September.

that there will be no free barbecue. However, there will be a large variety of food for sale at reasonable prices. Picnickers can also bring their own lunches or prepare food on the grounds.

A change in the type of picnic was approved by SERA members in a special vote last month. The elimination of the free food means that the organization is saving some \$8,000 to be dedicated to improvements at Shellwood.

Under the direction of Chairman Buddy Yannazzo, the picnic will offer something for everyone including games, contests, rides and shows. Free coffee will be available all day.

The swimming pool will be open the day of the picnic and all swimming will be free that day.

The schedule of the main events or activities includes:

Free swimming	Noon to 4:45 & 7 to 9
Bingo	Noon to 5
Free rides	Noon to 6
Food served	Noon to 6
Beer served	Noon to 10
Childrens games	2 to 4
Style Show	4:30 to 5:15
Beauty contest	5:30 to 6:15
Door prize drawings	6:30 to 6:45
Dancing	7 to 10

Yannazzo's top aide in planning and running the picnic is Assistant Chairman Lew Wright of the Refinery Rigging Shop.

All children will be able to ride free as often as desired on the ponies and merry-go-round. There will also be three smaller rides for children under six years of age. Some \$100 in prizes will be awarded in the childrens games.

Beer on tap will be for sale all day in 14-ounce cups for 15 cents each.

All-day bingo at 10 cents a game or three cards for a quarter will be played for cash prizes only, the size of which will be determined by the number of persons playing.

The door prizes to be given away may be won only by SERA members or members of their immediate family. These prizes are an electric mixer, coffeemaker, waffle

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First Science Engineering Meeting Held

Shell Chemical Corporation recently held its first Science and Engineering Meeting in Litchfield Park, Ariz. The Houston Plant sent 17 representatives to the meeting with papers on diverse technical subjects.

The purpose of the meeting was to bring together representatives from all segments of Shell Chemical for the exchanging of ideas. Each group in attendance had representatives present papers that would not only inform but give possible assistance in solving the problems of the other members.

Ideas exchanged centered around particular products and situations. Also some time was spent discussing experience gained from the solution of common problems.

Five departments at the Houston Plant sent representatives. From the Engineering Department J. G. Massey and C. M. Schneider attended. R. R. Myers and F. L. Barr represented the Engineering Development Department. The Laboratory Department sent M. S. Johnsen, R. L. Robertson and H. C. Terford. J. F. Taylor, Manager of A. Department and R. H. Slaughter, P&R Department, who did not present a paper, represented the operational departments at this Plant. W. A. Chantry, D. M. Church, R. W. Jones, L. B. McKee and H. V. Smith represented the Technological Department.

J. F. Roorda, Superintendent-Technical; E. P. Franzen, Manager, Engineering Development Department; and V. W. Wilson, Chief Chemist, Laboratory Department, attended the meeting but did not present papers.

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Chemical Plant Has New Pilot Plant

Plant Processing and Analyzer Equipment to Be Studied

A new experimental laboratory, located behind the main office building, has been completed and is now in operation at the Chemical Plant. It will be called the Unit Operations Laboratory, and will serve on an experimental pilot plant scale, under the direction of the Laboratory Department.

The main function of the new laboratory will be to work with existing problems in product development and other manufacturing processes. The need for such an experi-

mental structure is a result of increased demands for laboratory technical and development services on a pilot plant scale.

Assigned to work in the lab are K. W. Davis, Group Leader and Chemists W. H. Burke, D. A. Graham, J. L. Merian and E. D. Mays. Mays is representing the Physical Methods Group of the Lab Department, and will concentrate on testing new, untried analyzing equipment. In this vein, he will investigate those facets involved in the opera-

tion of continuous process analyzers in the Plant's production systems.

Advantages of Pilot Scale

Being able to perform pilot scale experiments means that proposed changes in plant processes can first be examined on a small scale where the effects of process variables on yields and product quality can be accurately determined.

There will be few restrictions on the type of products

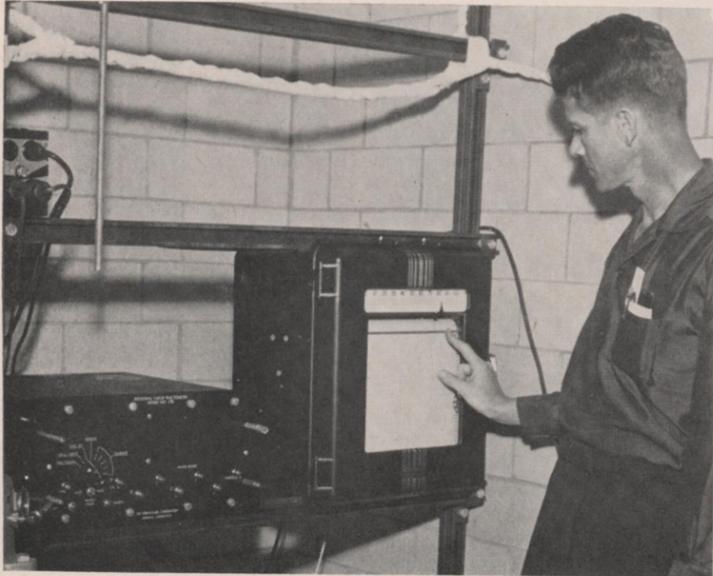
or processes to be examined by this group. Present plans call for work in EPON® Resins, DAA, and MEK, and new products derived from SBA and glycerine.

Two Purposes Accomplished

Having a combination of analyzer and process testing in one building will have many advantages. The process work done in the experimental lab will be a fertile and accurate testing ground for the

physical methods instruments.

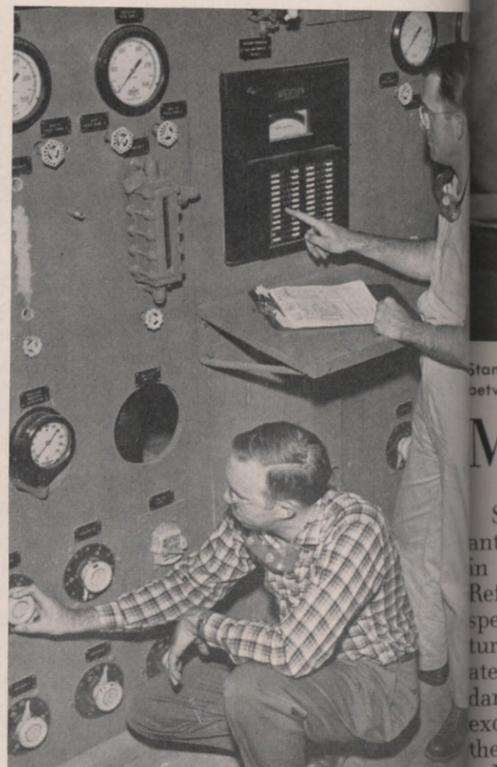
Structurally the building has many safety features that serve to protect the experimenters from hazards. Nothing in the building is explosion proof and showers and exhaust fans have been installed. To enable efficient movement of equipment, double-garage doors have been placed at the end of the building.



E. D. Mays, Chemist, will work on analyzer equipment in new Pilot Plant Lab. Above, Mays checks instruments before beginning experiments.



Left to right, A. M. Begley, Chemist, J. L. Merian, Chemist and K. W. Davis (left), Group Leader in the new Laboratory. J. D. Morris, Chemist, record gauge readings during first lab experiment. W. H. Burke, Chemist, examine experimental control panel.



30 Years Service



G. J. Delaney
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

SERA Buying Play Equipment

The SERA Board of Directors at a special meeting April 24 took action to purchase playground equipment as the first step in carrying out an improvement program at the Shellwood grounds.

Action on other contemplated improvements was delayed until the regular May meeting in order to secure final construction bids on the work.

The Board authorized the expenditure of \$1,239 for the purchase and installation of a set of playground equipment for children. This equipment includes six small and six large swings, four teeter-totters, a non-mechanical merry-go-round, a 25-foot slide and a jungle gym.

In other important action, the Board gave approval for the Alabama Catering Co. to

operate a "Chuck Wagon" to serve barbecue meals and sandwiches on the Shellwood grounds on weekends and holidays during the summer.

The other improvements at Shellwood which were discussed at this special meeting include two tennis courts, three shuffle boards, three horseshow pits, a combination volleyball-badminton court and renovation of the club house.

Also planned are a kitchen and patio at the present club house, covered concrete walkway from the club house to the rest rooms, four docks on the creek, new rest room facilities near the master barbecue pit and additional picnic tables.

Refinery's John Kandal Retires

John Kandal of the Refinery Dispatching Dept. retired May 1 from the Refinery after more than 21 years of Shell service.

Kandal, who was a Shift Foreman on the Docks, went on sick leave in May 1956. He and his wife will continue to make their home at 9215 Manchester Blvd. in Houston.

A native of Fargo, N. D., he started work for Shell on June 16, 1935 here at the Refinery.

Fellow workers helped Kandal celebrate his retirement with a barbecue at the Refinery on May 2. They presented him with an electric fry pan, outdoor barbecue set, electric coffeemaker, two pieces of luggage and a box of his favorite cigars.



John Kandal

The energy obtained from crude oil and natural gas is the equivalent of the energy of 33 servants for every person in the nation.

JOE & MOE



To Elect Five to Board

Annual SERA Meeting May 21

The annual general membership meeting of the SERA will be held on Tuesday, May 21 in the Refinery Cafeteria annex for the purpose of electing five new members of the Board of Directors. The meeting will begin at 5 p.m.

To be elected are three Board members from the Refinery and two from the Chemical Plant. Outgoing directors who complete their two-year terms this year are Vice-President Walter Cannon (Inst. Shop), George George (Eng.) and Charlie Stebbins (P & IR) from the Refinery and President Dixon Kirk (Eng.) and Virginia Lowery (Treas.) from the Plant.

Each SERA member received a ballot with the nominees for the five posts listed on it. This ballot could be cast at the annual meeting or prior to it by turning it into the organization. Members do not necessarily have to vote for the persons nominated, but may write in candidates in a place provided on the ballot.

Refreshments are scheduled to be served at this meeting which all members are urged to attend.

Nominated to replace Cannon are Ralph Dunderdale (Carpenter Shop), James Gaskill (Machine Shop), Victor Smith (Pipe Shop) and Lew Wright (Rigging Shop).

The following are nominated to take over Stebbins' post: B. R. Cole (Machine Shop), George Colvin (Dispatching), Fay Hilliard (Eng.) and Buddy Yannazzo (P & IR).

Nominees for the other Refinery post are Wade Callender (Research), George Nuss (Eng.), Jean Ament (Treas.) and John Myrick (Ref. Lab.).

At the Chemical Plant, Marilyn Sommer (Lab.), A. F. Plant (Lab.) and J. J. Dalehite (Treas.) have been nominated to take over the position held by Miss Lowery.

Nominated to hold the Board post now filled by Kirk are

Hilliard Named To New Post

Fay Hilliard of Industrial Engineering has been named to fill a newly-created position in the Refinery P & IR Dept. in which he will handle most of the duties previously handled by the SERA Business Manager.

Refinery Manager John Tench announced his appointment effective May 9. As Personnel Representative, Hilliard will also be responsible for planning such official Shell programs as the Ten and Over parties and the monthly supervisors meetings.

The creation of the new position will mean that the SERA will not have a Business Manager as in the past. Hilliard had filled this SERA post for the past two years.

PICNIC—

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iron, skillet, toaster, steam iron, clock radio and portable radio.

The style show featuring clothes in the medium price range from Joskes will be conducted by Freddie Pentak and students from the Cecil B. Lee Academy of Charm, the organization that will give the free modeling lessons to the beauty contest winner.

Music for the style show as well as for the beauty contest and the free dancing will be furnished by the Les Voss Trio.

SERA members voted at a little better than a three and one-half to one ratio in favor of two picnics and Shellwood

J. W. Peters and Noel Smith, both of the Pipe Shop. Kirk will actually stay on the Board, but will move over to Position No. 11 which is annually filled by the outgoing president.

The new Board will subsequently elect a President from among its members. Important initial duties of the Board will be the establishment of a 1957-58 fiscal year budget and the naming of chairmen to conduct the many activities sponsored throughout the year.

Holdovers on the Board with another year to serve include two Chemical Plant employees and three from the Refinery. Chemical workers are Vic Anderson (Eng.) and Billie Joe Steakley (Pipe Shop). From the Refinery are Woody Myers (Ref. Lab.), Jack Staton (Eng.) and Jack Hatcher (Dispatching).

improvements instead of the free-food picnic. A total of 555 ballots were returned. President Dixon Kirk announced. Refinery employees voted 314 to 73 and Chemical Plant workers voted 123 to 45 in favor of the proposition.

The beauty contest will be open to all single or married women from 17 through 25 years of age who are SERA members or a member of the immediate family of an SERA member. A first prize of a free \$90 modeling course and a \$25 Defense Bond will be given along with second and third prizes of \$25 Bonds.

The first three place winners in this contest will not be eligible to enter the beauty event at the second picnic which is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 21. Yannazzo pointed out that the second picnic was being planned to fall on a different shift schedule so that different persons will be able to attend.



Yannazzo

Seek Beauty Contest Entrants

Attention all girls!! If you are single or married, and between the ages of 17 through 25 come enter the beauty contest which will be staged at the annual picnic on JUNE 22, 1957, at the SERA grounds.

Eligible to enter are employees of Shell Chemical and Shell Oil or members of their immediate families.

Prizes: First Place Winner: \$90.00 Modeling Course plus \$25.00 War Bond. Second and Third Place Winners: \$25.00 War Bond.

If interested, please fill in the form below and mail as directed. If you have any questions, call Ruth Dorn, Ext. 392, Chemical, or Buddy Yannazzo, Ext. 313, Refinery.

Entry Blank

Mail to: Ruth Dorn, P&IR, Shell Chemical, Houston Plant

Dept. where you work and classification, and Phone: _____
(Or Parent's dept. and classification)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____

Home Phone: _____



Stanley Marple Jr. maps out his trip to Holland for a year under the exchange program between the Refinery Research Lab and the Associates' Laboratory in Amsterdam.

Marple to Go to Holland

Stanley Marple Jr., Assistant Chief Research Chemist in the Research Lab at the Refinery, has been selected to spend a year at the Manufacturing and Research Associates' Research Lab in Amsterdam, Holland, as part of the exchange program between the two facilities.

He and Mrs. Marple and their two sons are planning to sail from New York on July 12 aboard the Nieuw Amsterdam.

After working at the Wood River Refinery as a summer employee in 1941, Marple joined Shell as a full time employee in Aug. 1943 as a Senior Research Chemist here in the Houston Lab. Except for a 15-month period in 1948-49 when he worked with the Head Office Research Group in New York, he has been at Houston ever since.

First made a Group Leader in 1947, Marple was connected with the Distilling Lube Oil and Wax Groups. The promotion to his present position came in April 1956.

Marple attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technol-

ogy where he earned a BS degree in chemical engineering in 1941 and a PhD in physical chemistry in 1943.

He said he does not yet know what type of research projects he will be handling in the Dutch lab, but said he was enthusiastically looking forward to the challenge. Excitement is also becoming more evident in the Marple home on Griggs Road in Houston, he said.

Chemical Men Win Golf Meet

Chemical Plant employees took the top spots in both divisions of the April golf tournament sponsored by the SERA.

N. A. Carrier won the low handicap division with a net of 68 strokes after taking his 18 handicap off his 86-stroke gross. J. V. Martin won the high (19 and above) handicap division with a net 66. He shot a 98 and had a handicap of 32.

Second place in the low handicap section went to Al Dugas of Chemical with a net 69. Three men tied with net 70's for the third spot. They are J. C. Minter of Chemical and M. K. Kopp and M. E. Miller of the Refinery. They shot grosses of 81, 84 and 85 respectively.

Three other Chemical employees followed Martin in the high handicap classification. They are H. L. Young with a gross 97 and net 67, J. M. Baldwin with a gross 91 and net 68 and R. L. Fenelon with a gross 107 and net 70.

A total of 54 golf balls were awarded as prizes in the tournament with each of the winners receiving four each and the runnersup getting three.

J. W. Peters, SERA golf chairman who works in the Chemical Pipe Shop, also announced that the entry fee for regular tournaments would be raised to 75 cents. He said this increase was necessary in

Door Prize Information

Each SERA member will be given two free tickets for the door prizes at the picnic. These tickets will be reserved under each member's name at a booth located near the Chuck Wagon. They may be claimed upon presentation of the 1957 SERA membership card.

Rain Caused Picnic Delay

The SERA picnic was rescheduled from May 25 to June 22 because officials feared the Shellwood grounds had been so soaked by prolonged rains that they would not dry out in time for the earlier date.

They were especially concerned about the parking areas which are expected to get heavy use the day of the picnic.

order to continue giving away the same number of balls in the face of increased ball costs.

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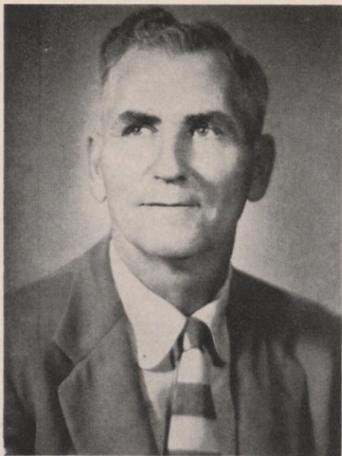
duction of the new Shell X-100® Motor Oil Premium and X-100 Motor Oil. New colors and lettering make the containers and cartons distinctive from the old ones. Other Shell products will be distributed eventually in the improved packaging designs.

Started in 1954

The present modernization program began in January, 1954, when Shell commissioned the industrial designing firm of Raymond Lowey Associates to study, evaluate and analyze the Company's identification, signing and packaging. The changes that evolved resulted from the close working cooperation between the Lowey firm and Shell's Marketing Engineering and Advertising Departments.

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25 Years Service



C. A. Clements
Dispatching (Ref.)



D. V. Cook
P & IR (Chem.)



T. A. Weinzel
Eng.-Field (Chem.)

Gasoline Dealers Not Dissatisfied Shell Executive Tells Congress

J. G. Jordan, Shell Oil Company Vice President, Marketing, told a Congressional subcommittee recently that pending legislation affecting the oil industry is economically unsound for small businessmen. He also pointed out that a canvass of Shell dealers did not confirm the "alleged complaints" the subcommittee is investigating.

Jordan's statement was made before the House Select Small Business Subcommittee No. 5 in Washington, D. C., where he appeared to answer questions about Shell's marketing program and to comment on proposed legislation.

Among the bills currently being studied by the subcommittee are:

H.R. 425, which would give a dealer the right to sue his gasoline supplier for not acting in good faith in complying with the terms of his lease or sales contract, or in cancelling such arrangements;

H.R. 426, the general divorcement bill which gives the gasoline supplier the alternative either to go into the wholesale business exclusively or to operate solely at the retail level;

H.R. 428, which would make it unlawful for oil producers who sell gasoline or petroleum products at wholesale for ultimate resale at

retail to act as agent for or receive compensation from the sale of tires, batteries and accessories (TBA).

Complaints Listed

More than a year ago, Jordan explained, Shell started service station dealer meetings designed to get dealers' views on Shell's marketing practices. "We heard no complaints about the fact that we own or lease service station real estate," he said. "We heard no complaints about the fact that we sell gasoline direct to dealers; there was no call for divorcement. And Shell dealers were almost unanimous in their satisfaction with the Company's present policies in respect to recommending certain lines of tires, batteries and accessories."

Most complaints, he pointed out, were in the form of requests for more participation by Shell in dealers' programs for advertising, credit, sales promotion and lubrication service. The requests for more visits from Company salesmen disprove charges "about salesmen 'pressuring' dealers," Jordan said.

Dealers Not Afraid

In commenting on H.R. 425, Jordan said that the service station contract dealer has no fear of being driven out of business because he has a choice of from "10 to 25 local

gasoline suppliers literally knocking themselves out to obtain his business."

As for the lessee dealer, his investment usually is confined to inventory and small tools which he usually sells to his successor, Jordan explained. "If his dissatisfaction is with his gasoline supplier, he may easily effect a liaison with a different supplier well prior to the expiration of his lease."

Discussing the general divorcement bill (H.R. 426) Jordan said that in all probability the gasoline supplier would have to choose to operate solely at the wholesale level. He would thus be required to divest himself of all ownership or leasehold interests in service stations.

Jordan then posed the question of whether the dealer, assuming he wanted to continue at his present location, would have or be able to borrow the \$25,000, \$50,000 or \$100,000 necessary to purchase his station. If the dealer continues at the station he probably will end up as an employee of a large, state-wide, well financed chain operator, Jordan continued. "How would he be better off from the standpoint of alleged evils which you seek to cure? And you would have reduced the number of small businessmen," he said.

Bill Discussed

Speaking on the TBA divorcement bill (H.R. 428) Jordan said: "It is our opinion that at the present time dealers buy Firestone or Goodyear or Goodrich or other particular brands of products because they prefer those brands for a number of reasons. They will continue to purchase those same products even though Shell salesmen are no longer selling them. Therefore, in the majority of cases, we believe the ultimate picture will be exactly as it is today insofar as the products at stations are concerned."

In discussing Shell's marketing program, Jordan told the subcommittee that "the independent jobber and dealers are the keystone of our business." He said that 85 per cent of Shell gasoline is sold through reseller (jobber and dealer) outlets. "The importance to us of their welfare is obvious."

Dieldrin Proving Valuable In War Against Termites

Dieldrin, Shell Chemical Corporation's wonder chemical which is being used extensively throughout the world to combat insect-borne diseases, is now being acclaimed for its effectiveness in termite control.

The use of this relatively new insecticide to combat termites has increased to where now the leading pest control operators in the United States use dieldrin for termite control. Other markets for dieldrin are similarly expanding as new applications for the product, manufactured at the Denver Chemical Plant, are found.

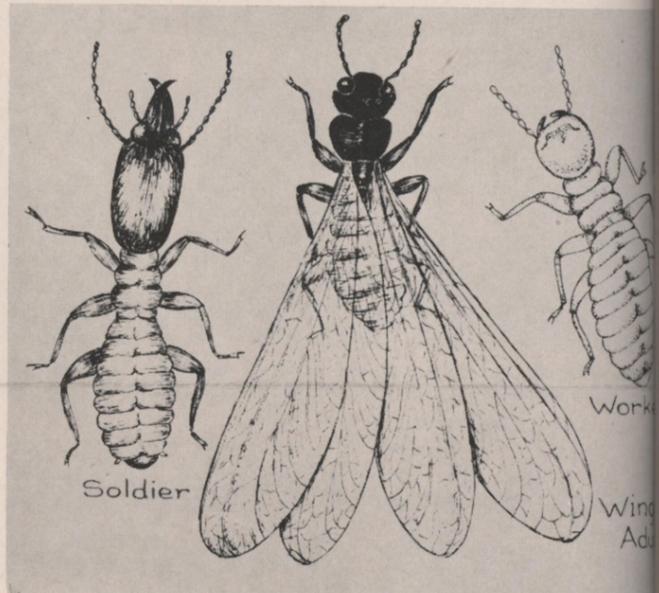
Basically, the principal of termite control with chemicals is to place an impregnable insecticide barrier between the termites and the building, tree, shrub or plant to be protected. A chemical barrier of dieldrin is very effective because ter-

mites built. Other advantages of Shell product are that it does not injure vegetation growing in the vicinity of treated structures, it is economical to use, it is effective at low dosages and is relatively safe to handle.

How It's Used

Dieldrin can be used to protect buildings having crawl spaces, concrete slabs, the ground or basements. It has proved highly successful in its application to home construction.

More than 40 different species of termites that exist in the United States do an estimated \$250,000 damage to buildings each day. Of these many species, the subterranean termite accounts for more than 95 per cent of all damage in this country. This termite builds colonies in the soil and then ranges out to feed in the timber of wooden structures. Besides wood, ter-



These sketches may be of help to you in identifying the common subterranean termites. Termites resemble ants and are often mistakenly called "white ants." However, the termite's waist is thick in comparison to the constricted wasp-like waist of the ant. The winged termites are hard to distinguish from winged ants because they are swarming and in flight about the same time each year—spring or fall. Both of wings on termites are the same length. With ants, the front pair of wings is longer than the black pair.

mites cannot live in or pass through dieldrin-treated soil.

Field Testing

Initial test work was done in 1949 by the United States Forest Service. Shell Chemical Corporation began further field-testing with dieldrin in 1952 in cooperation with the National Pest Control Association and with a limited number of pest control operators. The results were excellent and dieldrin is now one of the standard termite poisons used by the pest control industry.

Dieldrin's popularity can be attributed to a number of reasons. First, dieldrin is easy for pest control operators to handle and to apply; it is non-corrosive to tanks and pumps; and emulsible concentrates can be stored over prolonged periods. In addition, termite-killing properties of the chemical are retained for several years. Some pest control operators offer five and seven year guarantees for their work where dieldrin is used.

Dieldrin is chemically stable in alkaline soils and is not broken down by alkaline plaster waste which is so often left in the soil when a house is

will attack paper and animal products. They also feed on and sever living plants, hollowing out the stems.

Dieldrin is distributed by insecticide formulators and pest control operators. Shell Chemical Corporation does not sell direct to the consumer.

10 Years Service

CHEMICAL

F. O. Gerbode, Stores
W. L. McIntyre, Eng.-Field

REFINERY

J. R. Ryan, Therm. Cracking

New Employees

REFINERY

Engineering-Field

C. O. Anderson
S. P. Anton
G. J. Partin
B. J. Johnson
C. A. Londa

Treasury

Betty Jean Dixon

MILITARY LEAVES

Charles J. Boyle, Research
Frank P. Goldstone, Aromatic

Coil Fabrication Is Major Job

By Tom Skeahan
Shellegram Reporter

The Cat Cracker turnaround last month brought on a major fabricating project in the Refinery Shops that called for maximum cooperation and teamwork.

Some 7,850 feet of pipe had to be prepared and for a time the huge coils took over a large portion of the Shops.

Located near the Cat Cracker are three off-site open-box coolers. When the Cracker starts coming down, the hot feed stock is routed through these boxes to cool it off before it goes into storage. The boxes are used for auxiliary purposes at other times of the year. Shop employees had to fabricate the coils for these coolers.

The Boilermakers Shop made the angle iron frames and the Blacksmiths made some 1,485 "U" and "J" bolts. Then the Welding Shop made approximately 1,400 welds and is proud of the fact that out of this 7,850 feet of pipe which was hydrostatically tested at 750 psi, there was only one leak.

The fabrication of the cooler elements in itself might normally be classified as routine, but considering the deadline for completion it is evident that only close cooperation of the Engineering-Field personnel made it possible to get the job done on time. This was just another example of the "Teamed for Maintenance" spirit in the Engineering-Field.

Shell Families Enjoy Scouting

Shell families taking part in the recent Houston Scout Exposition included:

1—Troop 60 Committeeman George Schnitzer, Chemical Plant Lab, looks at a pack frame drawing with son Bob.

2—It was a family affair for Robert Mann (Ref. Instrument Shop), his wife and son Donald, all of whom take part in Pack 88 activities.

3—Ray Cryer, Chemical Operations, serves as a committeeman for Post 110 which had a marksmanship exhibit. The youth is Ronnie Fuller.

4—Bobby Brown, grandson of Mrs. W. A. Baker (Ref. P&IR) is weaving a basket in the Troop 217 exhibit.

5—Telling son Kenneth he molded a fine Indian head is Chemical Plant Gateman I. L. Bocox while his other son, Terry, looks on. Troop 538 claims the Bocox interests.

6—Getting ready to flip a huge pancake in the Troop 506 exhibit is Larry Holt, son of Claude L. Holt, Chemical Operations.

7—Examining part of Den 7's silk screen exhibit are Den Mother Mrs. Kemper Kaiser (Ref. P&IR) and son Ken.

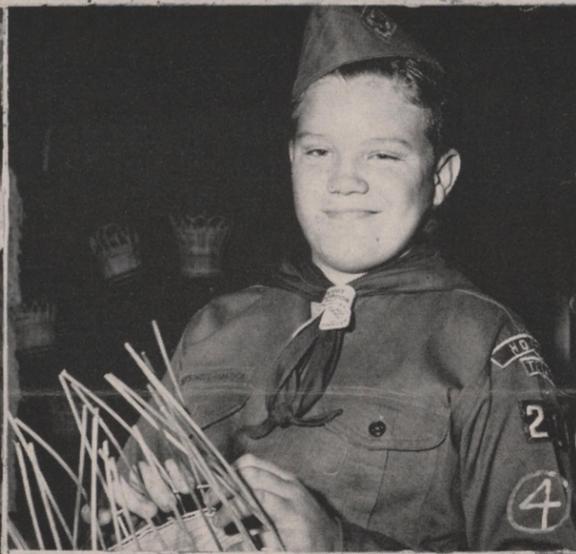
8—J. B. Moyers, Cat Cracking, and son Jimmy took part in the exhibit of Troop 517.

9—Jack Cleveland, (right) Chemical Eng.-Field, and Roy D. Plaisance, Refinery Engineering, take part in activities of Troop 618. With them is Clark Antone, nephew of Bill Antone, Refinery Dispatching.

10—Assistant Scout Master E. O. Kindschy (Ref. Research) works with Troop 128.

11—Handling snakes of Troop 199 are four Shell Refinery sons. Left to right they are James Wallace, son of H. M. Wallace (Eng.-Field); Jimmy Eskridge, son of C. B. Eskridge (Lube); Russell Schneider, son of W. O. Schneider (Pipefitter Shop), and Sonny Baker, son of A. H. Baker (Lube). In the background are A. W. Fields (Ref. Insulation Shop) and H. M. Wallace.

12—In front of Pack 556's exhibit are U. M. Tomlinson (Ref. Dispatching) and Shell sons Mitchell Tomlinson; Charles Alderman, son of Charles Alderman (Chemical Operations), and Dale Painter, son of P. P. Painter (Chemical Shipping).



SESC Holds First 1957 Dance



The Shell Employees Social Club held its first dance of 1957 last month with an excellent crowd attending. Taking a break during the dance are (left to right) Gip Gibson (SHELLEGRAM Reporter-Photographer who took time out to let a visiting photographer get him in the picture too), H. O. Kizzee (Ref. Eng.-Field), Lewis Jones and C. B. Johnson (both Chem. Eng.-Field), O. G. Green (Ref. Lab.), D. C. Marbley and W. T. Bratton (both Ref. Eng.-Field), Walter Lewis (Chem. Eng.-Field), Sammie Lee Richardson (Ref. Eng.-Field) and Jimmy Davison (Chem. Eng.-Field). The men in the background are members of the orchestra.

Two Local School Teachers Win Shell Merit Fellowships

Two local high school teachers have been awarded Shell Merit Fellowships to attend Stanford University this summer under the program sponsored by Shell Companies Foundation, Incorporated.

They are L. L. Clarkson, a mathematics instructor at Jack Yates High, and J. D. Pickens, a chemistry instructor at Pasadena High. The two men are among 90 high school science

or mathematics teachers from the United States and Canada selected from some 2,000 applicants to attend the graduate-level seminars at either Stanford or Cornell Universities.

Clarkson is a native Houstonian and holds B. S. and M. S. degrees from Texas Southern University where he has also taught mathematics and general physics at summer sessions. He has been teaching at Yates since 1951.

Pickens, a native of Johnstown, Ark., taught at a number of schools in the Rio Grande Valley before coming to Pasadena in 1954. He has B. S. and M. S. degrees from the Texas College of Arts and Industries at Kingsville.

Developed by the Foundation to help combat critical shortages of scientists and engineers, the Fellowship program pays each teacher a travel allowance, tuition costs, living expenses and \$500 to offset loss of potential summer earnings.



Clarkson

Pickens

An employee with Shell who is a member of a military reserve organization which requires an annual training period will be granted a military leave of absence for a maximum of 17 days in a calendar year. If the employee has one or more years of service with Shell, the Company will pay any difference between his Government pay and Company pay during this reserve training.



D. W. Lanning

Lanning Gets Lab Promotion

Don W. Lanning on May 1 assumed the duties of Chemist in Charge of the Analytic Experimental Lab of the Refinery Lab.

He replaced Paul W. Guggell who moved over to the Technological Dept. for a subsequent assignment to the Cat. Cracking Dept.

Lanning, who was serving as a Chemist, started his Shell career in 1948 in the Refinery Lab and has worked there ever since except for two years in service during the Korean War.

The holder of an A B degree from Harvard in general studies and an Sc. B. in chemistry from Brown, Lanning is currently working on a Masters in business administration in night school at the University of Houston.

All Employees Can Get Chest X-Ray in May

Refinery and Chemical Plant employees will get an opportunity during the last week of May to receive free chest X-rays from the mobile unit of the Houston-Harris County Tuberculosis Association.

The unit will be stationed near the Main Gate at the Refinery. At the Plant, it will be located in the Automotive Garage east of the first aid building. Shell is underwriting the cost of these X-rays so that every employee may get the service free.

The results of each individual's X-ray will be mailed directly to his home.

Schedules for individual departments to take advantage of the service were scheduled to be placed on bulletin boards. The unit will be at the Plant on May 27 and 28 and at the Refinery on May 28, 29 and 31.

WHO'S NEW

Refinery

March 29—Dwayne Keith Staton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staton, Utilities.

April 3 — Toni Estelle Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Thompson, Dispatching.

April 4—Meggan Charlene Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Baker, Utilities.

April 11—Susan Kaye Kulhaner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kulhaner, Aromatics.

April 20—Teresa Eve Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Harris, Dispatching.

April 20 — Donald Barry Mudd, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mudd, Stores.

April 27 — Michael Alan Bell, son of Mr and Mrs. Roger W. Bell, Engineering-Field.

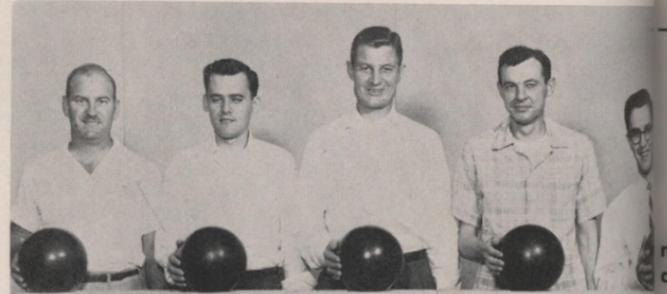
Chemical Plant HERE & THERE

Plant Bowlers to Fort Worth Tourney

Five Chemical Plant bowlers went to Fort Worth last month to compete in the National ABC Bowling Tournament. Team members were A. J. Dugas, P & IR Department, Plant, Laboratory Department, K. M. Carlisle, Engineering Department, C. D. Marshall, Research Department, and S. H. Eidt, Research Department.

The Houston Plant five are probably the first bowlers in recent times to be rained out inside the bowling alley. Water hazard was caused by the heavy rains in that area which had blown through the roof and on to the alley.

The team placed 16th in their flight and according to calculations were only one pin away from prize money.



A. J. Dugas, K. M. Carlisle, C. D. Marshall, S. H. Eidt and A. F. Plant

Bocox Named to V. F. W. Office

I. L. Bocox, Plant Protection, has recently been elected Jr. Vice Commander of Post 2034 — Veterans of Foreign Wars. Bocox has been a member of that organization for several years. This new assignment will make his second term as an officer of the V.F.W.

Legion Post Has New 60 Piece Band

News about American Legion Post 484 comes from G. Burrow, G Dept., who has reported that the Post has a new 60 piece band. The band is expected to aid the Post and bring enjoyment to local citizenry.

The band is no ordinary one. Last year, in national competition with other American Legion bands, this one placed first. The band members were once members of a Houston band but decided to transfer to Pasadena since most of them live in that area.

Thus far two Houston Plant men have decided to join the band. They are J. B. Bane and W. R. Shedelbower of the P. Department.

Stovall Wins Scholastic Award

Elaine Stovall, Steno-Secretary, Engineering Department, has been accorded another scholastic award. This one is the third award won by Elaine since her entrance in the University of Houston's night school.

The award was presented at the Law Students Bar Association Banquet held at the Houston Club. It is in recognition of scholastic merit and achievement. Elaine was one of 80 out of a class of 80 to receive the award this year.

Hollifield Elected to Membership in NACA

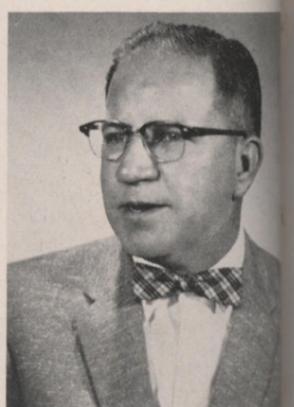
W. W. Hollifield, Treasury Dept., was elected to membership in the Houston Chapter — National Association of Accountants at a recent meeting of the board of directors.

Hollifield came to Shell Chemical's Houston Plant in 1935 as a Senior Clerk, Treasury Dept. He was later promoted to Chief Clerk and finally Supervisor-Cost Accounting, the position he now holds.

20 Years Service



T. B. Harris
Lube (Ref.)



F. M. McClain
Eng.-Field (Ref.)