

BUTLER PASSES NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATION FOR BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL INSPECTION



With a sense of accomplishment, Horace Butler displays the certificate he received for successful completion of a rugged two-day examination on boiler and pressure vessel inspection.

Horace Butler's friends would describe him as a quiet, unassuming man; he is also one of the few Shell employees to have passed the National Board Examination for boiler and pressure vessel inspection sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

How did Horace, a senior engineering inspector in Maintenance/Materials, achieve this remarkable accomplishment? He did it through three months of intensive, independent study and the passing of the two-day National Board Examination conducted by the State of Texas in Austin on June 4 and 5.

Of course, during this time of intensive studying, everything around the house was let go - the yard, the upkeep on the house, the little things for the wife -

but it was worth it. Now, Horace is qualified to inspect pressure vessels fabricated for Shell locations.

This opens a whole new career potential for the quiet, unassuming senior engineering inspector in Maintenance/Materials.

"What he has accomplished is absolutely super," says his boss Leroy Abrahamson. "There aren't but maybe three or four other people within the Shell locations that have achieved this," continues Leroy, "and one of them has an engineering degree."

It's easy to see why everyone in Inspection/Materials is proud as can be of Horace's accomplishment.

YOU CAN CALCULATE STORM DISTANCES

With all of the stormy weather we have been having lately, the *SHELLEGRAM* thought you might like to know how to calculate just how far a thunderstorm is from you.

You time the lag between the lightning and the thunder. The distance in miles is approximately the lag in seconds divided by five. For example: If the thunder arrives five seconds after the lightning flash, the storm's just a mile away.

SCORA PICNIC TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

Tickets are now available for the SCORA picnic on July 19. Prices are:

\$2 - member & guest

\$6 - nonmember & guest

Deadline for purchasing tickets is July 11. You can buy them from either Roberta Reeves at the refinery or Phyliss Evans at the plant.

Make plans now to treat your family to the SCORA picnic at Camp Manison in Friendswood.

WESTHOLLOW NEARS COMPLETION

The Westhollow Research Center is almost completed. Located near the intersection of Hwy. 6 and Westheimer, it will house some 1,200 employees from Deer Park; Katy Lab; Woodbury, N.J.; WoodRiver, Illinois; Torrance, California; and Bellaire Lab.

Some employees have already made the move to Westhollow, more will be going later in the summer and fall.

 * Look for the GRADUATES' ISSUE next week - July 10. *

RESCUED SPARROW EATS, DRIES AND FLIES

"Toughie" was the pride and joy of Utilities operator Jack Fisher, who rescued the young sparrow from the filtering screens at the River Water Reservoir at cooling water towers 3&4.

According to Jack, the bird had to be tough in order to survive the ordeal of being caught in the screens, where water rushes through on its way to the cooling water tower pumps.

Some years ago Jack built a birdhouse and put it on top of a utility pole near his office hoping that sparrows would take up housekeeping in it. Instead the starlings moved in and built nests, laid eggs and raised their "youngins."

"You never saw their babies," says Jack, "until they were grown and ready to fly away."

Then after a few years, high winds blew the birdhouse down, and the black



Jack is shown with "Toughie," the young sparrow he rescued from drowning last week. After feasting on a meal of bread crumbs and drying out, "Toughie" chirped his thanks and flew away.

starlings with their white beaks were forced to find another home - leaving Jack with memories of their imitating calls.

Then he found "Toughie" to keep him company. But, thanks to his tender care,

"Toughie" got better and flew away to join the starlings in doing their thing.

Thank goodness for all of us, "doing their thing" also includes eating lots and lots of pesky insects.

FIRE, ELECTRICITY AND YOU

You can help prevent fires where you work by taking care of electric equipment and reporting hazards.

WIRING

- Wiring should be large enough for the load it carries.
- Protect cords from damage.
- Don't overload the outlets.
- Report frayed cords, loose connections, broken plugs, switches, outlets. They need fast repair.
- Treat anything that smells overheated as a potential fire.

ELECTRIC APPLIANCES

- Use a wire guard on light bulbs that could get broken. Keep a hot bulb away from dripping water, oil and combustibles.
- Assign someone to check appliances when people leave the building at the end of the shift. Soldering irons, dryers, hot plates, stoves and other appliances should be off or unplugged when not in use.

- Keep appliances clean. Dirt and grease make fire.

ELECTRIC MOTORS

- Use suitable electrical equipment near flammable liquid vapors, gases or dust.
- Lubricate motors and keep them clean. Bearings get hot without lubrication and can cause fire.
- Overloaded or sparking motors are dangerous.

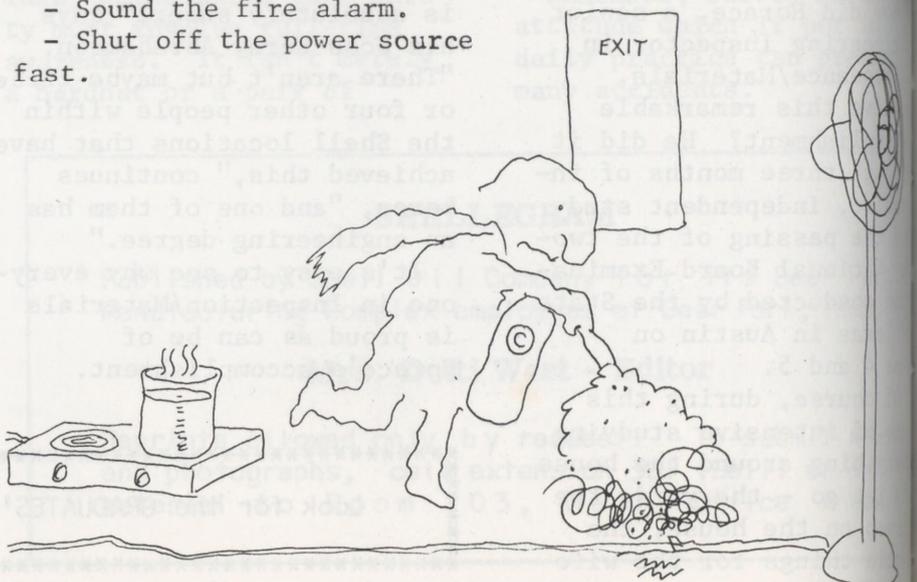
HOW TO FIGHT A SMALL ELECTRICAL FIRE

- Sound the fire alarm.
- Shut off the power source fast.

- Use a Class C extinguisher - dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Make sure fire doesn't flash up again.

WHAT TO DO IF THE FIRE GETS BIGGER

- Get out and close all doors.
- Use exit stairs, not elevators.
- And, above all, use your common sense.



SAFETY PARTIES HELD FOR COMPLEX EMPLOYEES



Beverly and James Carroll get acquainted with Minnie Lee and Volley LaFitte.



Darrell Evans shares a table with John and Alma Carlson.

Carpenters



Penny Polk and her date, Ed Bilski, enjoy their meal at the Marriott.

Purchasing - Plant

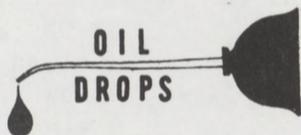


Sarah Relf (back to camera), Jack and Leona Ellison share conversation with "Goose" and Rose Tatum.

H. P. Graham shares a table with Joann and Paul Rasco.



Pausing for a brief visit are Richard and Verna White. Seated are Ellis and Faye Rusk.



If you see a furry little thing with large dark eyes and super long eyelashes,



don't shoot, scream or call the Humane Society. It's only Jerri Dromgoole of Major Projects running around in her mink covered hardhat. One wonders where hardhat creator, Bob Johansen, got the mink - let alone all of those creative ideas he comes up with.

There was food galore at the Utilities Control Center last week when friends and co-workers gathered around to wish R. M. Kemball-Cook,

superintendent Operations-West farewell.

Dick took over J. D. Johnson's job as superintendent Operations - Olefins and Solvents July 1, so we'll continue seeing him around the complex.

Office secretaries Imogene Byrd and Debbie Goudeau bought a pecan pie last week and brought it back to East Operations.

At first they only planned to have a super generous serving apiece. However, one piece led to another, and soon the entire pie was consumed. Both insist that they didn't eat all of the pie by themselves; however, they admittedly didn't take any of it home to their spouses either. It has been reported that two or three of their co-workers had a rather small piece each.

That still leaves a lot of pie unaccounted for....



CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Horse.
479-2082

125 Honda in need of repairs.
337-2086

250 Yamaha for parts.
337-2086

Locking in bed tool box for pickup. \$50. Small bottle coke box. \$25.
452-4963

1974 Yamaha 500, fully equipped.
471-0559

One pair fender mount mirrors for pulling trailer or camper, like new, used twice, sold camper. \$12 pair.
482-7677

SAFETY SHOES - A WARDROBE MUST

Dressy, sharp and shiny though they are, these shoes are made for *working*.

These and other safety shoe styles are available



through our Purchasing Department.

Any employee whose job involves work in areas where feet are likely candidates for bumping or any other foot injury should consider safety shoes a wardrobe must. Safety shoes not only provide extra protection for one's feet but offer comfort as well.

So, do yourself a favor and provide comfortable protection to your feet at the same time. Treat yourself to a pair of safety shoes today.

Beautiful name brand ladies' clothes, skirts, blouses, pantsuits, dresses, jacket dresses, evening gowns, purses, black leather coat, jeweled sweater, etc. Some only worn once, sizes 10-12.
944-3789

Equity in half acre lot, close to beach on San Salvador Island in the Bahamas. No taxes; pictures available.
\$1,600.
946-2209

Remodeling - 12 wooden windows in good shape, different sizes, ideal for cabin.
\$25.
487-3649

1972 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme convertible, creme puff, automatic, air, 350 Cl.
\$2,500 negotiable.
629-9347 after 5 pm

Three miniature red Dachshunds, registered females, been wormed. \$50 each.
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772-0854 after 5 pm

Tool box for pickup, locks both ends, galvanized tray, used one year. Cost \$80; take \$35.
479-2538

Frigidaire gas dryer in very good condition. \$35. VW bug deluxe roof top luggage rack. \$15.
479-7260

Automatic transmission for 1970 Dodge Dart, excellent condition. \$40.
472-5851 after 5 pm

FREE

Three kittens.
473-1860

FOUND

Black kitten in parking lot. Male, half-grown, has flea collar, housebroken, playful well cared for. May have hitched ride without driver knowing.
729-2897

FOUND AD SPARKS INTEREST

The SHELLEGRAM recently heard from "some concerned subscribers," who were interested in whether or not "Marty ever turned up." We'd love for the answer to be affirmative; however, we can only suggest trying the SCORA picnic on July 19. Rumors have it that Marty just might make the scene!

PERSONALS

It was a happy surprise when I heard from so many of you a few days ago! The "one of a kind" bracelet and the scroll are beautiful. It was exciting to read the names of many friends who so warmly remembered me with good wishes. It would be even more wonderful if I could personally thank each of you. You were great people to work with, and I shall always have fond remembrances of our association at Shell. I am making my home in Chappell Hill, located at Cedar and Church streets. It would be a pleasure to have you drop by. Best wishes and good luck to each of you.

- Hortense T. Hines, R.N.

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