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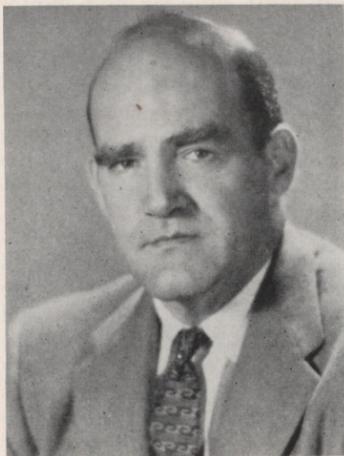
R. S. Cox Named Ass't Manager-Stores Dept.

R. S. Cox has been transferred from the Houston Area, Exploration and Production-Purchasing Stores, to the Houston Plant to replace J. B. Bradshaw as Assistant Manager-Stores. Bradshaw has been transferred to Shell Pipe Line Corporation's Head Office in Houston as Field Representative, Purchasing Stores.

Cox was graduated from Georgia Tech as an Industrial

Engineer in 1948. One month after graduation he went to work in Shell Oil Company's Purchasing Stores Department in Houston.

From Houston, Cox was transferred to New Orleans, and before coming to the Houston Plant worked in Lake Charles, New York, Tulsa, Casper, Wyo., Denver, and back to Shell Oil in Houston.



C. S. MacGregor



E. J. Newton



W. G. Eddleman

MacGregor Going to Anacortes; Newton and Eddleman Move Up

A series of major Refinery staff changes will become effective May 1 when C. S. MacGregor leaves his post of Manager of the Utilities Dept. to transfer to the Anacortes Refinery. E. J. Newton, now Assistant Chief Engineer-Office, will become Utilities Manager.

MacGregor will become Assistant Chief Engineer in charge of the Field group at Anacortes, Houston Refinery Manager John Tench said in announcing the changes.

It was further announced that W. G. Eddleman will be transferred to Houston from the Wood River Refinery to take over the post now held by Newton. Eddleman is currently Senior Project Engineer at Wood River.

MacGregor, who started his Shell career at Wood River in 1945 as an engineer, has been in Houston since 1953. He was serving as Senior Engineer at Wood River at the time he transferred to Houston as Utilities Manager. He is a 1933 graduate of Purdue University.

Newton joined Shell in 1933 at the Houston Refinery and has spent his entire career here, most of it in the Engineering Dept. which he joined in 1936 after holding jobs in Thermal Cracking and Gas. He took over his present post in 1952. Newton is a 1928 graduate of Rice Institute with a degree in civil engineering.

Eddleman started work for Shell as a Junior Engineer at

Wood River in 1946 after receiving his degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Illinois. He served in a number of capacities in the Engineering Dept. before being promoted to Senior Project Engineer in 1955.

A Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War, Eddleman is married and has two children.



J. B. Bradshaw (right) talks with R. S. Cox, his replacement as Assistant Manager-Stores, before he leaves on his new assignment with Shell Pipe Line Corporation.

Merit Fellowships Attract Some 2,000 Applications

More than 2,000 inquiries and applications have been received for the 1957 Shell Merit Fellowship program for high school science and mathematics instructors.

The program, which was inaugurated last year with 60 fellowships given to teachers of physics, chemistry and mathematics from the United States and Canada, has been expanded this year to include 90 educators. Cornell and Stanford Universities are now processing applications and will soon name the 90 teachers who will attend the graduate-level seminars this summer at the two schools.

Sponsored by the Shell Companies Foundation, Incorporated,

the Merit Fellowships are designed to provide recognition and specialized help to deserving high school science teachers. The full term seminars will include advanced courses in chemistry, physics, mathematics and education, as well as field trips to research and industrial facilities and informal conferences with outstanding scientists.

The Merit Fellowship program was developed along lines recommended by leading scientists and educators. Teachers receive tuition fees, living expenses, a travel allowance and \$500 in cash to offset loss of potential summer earnings.

SERA Picnic Set May 25

SERA officials announced as the SHELLEGRAM went to press that the members had voted in favor of having two small picnics this year with the money saved to be used on improvements at Shellwood. The first picnic has been set for May 25 at Shellwood. Plans were being made as the Shellegram went to press and will be reported in detail in the May issue of the Shellegram prior to the picnic.

Shell Employees Play Major Roles in Municipal Elections

Civic-minded Shell employees played major roles in the April 2 elections in three Harris county communities as at least 15 of them were candidates for various municipal offices.

In nearby Deer Park, Jimmy Walker of the Refinery Lube Plant was elected Mayor by defeating the incumbent Earl E. Dunn who is also a Refinery employee, working in the Dispatching Dept. Walker was previously a member of the City Council.

Four Shell employees were elected to Commission posts in Deer Park. Felix A. Ward (Chemical Pipe Shop) was reelected Water and Sewer Commissioner; James L. Cook (Refinery Dispatching) was reelected Finance Commissioner; William C. Burgess (Refinery Dispatching) won the post of Health and Sanitation Commissioner, and Harold B. Kesterson (Chemical Engineering-Field) took the job of Fire and Police Commissioner.

Also a candidate for the position of Fire and Police Commissioner was Ben J. Royall

of the Refinery Machine Shop.

Three incumbent city commissioners reelected in Pasadena are Shell employees.

Troy I. Crawford (Refinery Aromatics) retained his Finance Commissioner's post; Water and Sewer Commissioner Allen G. Thurman (Chemical Engineering-Field) won reelection, and Tommy Jones (Refinery Laboratory) held onto his Street and Bridge Commissionership.

Other Shell men in the commissioner races in Pasadena were Everett M. Williams (Refinery Dispatching) who ran for the Water and Sewer Commissioner's job which he previously held for eight years; L. L. "Bill" Hay (Thermal Cracking), and Hubert B. Jarret (Refinery Machine Shop), both of whom ran for Police Commissioner.

In South Houston two Shell employees held onto their posts as aldermen. They are Pat McDowell who works in the Refinery Dispatching Dept. and John W. Dickens, an Engineering-Field employee at the Chemical Plant.



Presenting a fine appearance at the Refinery Main Gate in their new uniforms are (left to right) Gatemen R. B. Connally, A. T. Bullard and V. L. Phillips.

Gatemen Have New Uniforms

Refinery and Chemical Plant Gatemen blossomed out in handsome new uniforms last month in what is believed to be the first major change in the uniform styles since the Refinery was constructed.

In addition to the change in style, another major difference in the new tan and brown uniforms is the fact that they are designed for year-round wear. In the past, Gatemen have had different summer and winter outfits.

It is expected that the type of material, plus the fact that each man has a matching jacket which may be used in cold weather, will make the uniforms suitable in all seasons.

Each uniform was individually tailored with the trousers being made of wool gabardine and the shirts of a wool and dacron material. Each of the 20 Gatemen at the Refinery and the 14 at the Plant was issued three shirts and three pairs of trousers and one set of accessories which included cap, tie and jacket.



Chemical Plant Gatemen in their new tan and brown uniforms seen during a point are (left to right) J. D. Morrison, I. L. Bocox and J. R. Scott.

Green Retires From Refinery

Bill Green, a Blacksmith No. 1 in the Engineering-Field Dept., at the Refinery, retired April 1 after 21 years and 11 months of Shell service.

Green, who had been off sick for about a year, has already purchased a small farm near Warren, Texas, where he plans to live and do some light farming. He started working for Shell in April, 1935, as a Laborer in Engineering-Field.



Bill Green

Able to Borrow Free Films at Trng. Sections

Did you know there are some 36 Shell movies available to you free of charge for showing at meetings of your church group, civic club, service organization or P.-T.-A.?

A number of these films are maintained ready for use in the Training Sections of the Refinery or Chemical Plant. Others may be secured from the film library at the Houston office either directly by the person desiring the film or by asking one of the Training Section representatives to have it sent out for you.

Also available are copies of the 1957 Shell Motion Picture Catalog which describes some 20 films that are available. In addition, there are many films not listed in the catalog which

may be secured for showings. A large number of these films are in color.

Among the movies that you may borrow are those in Shell's "This Is Oil" series which tell in full-color the story of petroleum from the search for it through the marketing of finished products. There are also films on safety, flying, auto racing and fossils. One of the favorite movies is the award-winning "The Rival World" which tells the fascinating story of man's fight against the hordes of insects that inhabit the earth.

For more complete information about these films or help in getting one for your group call one of the Training Sections. The Refinery number is 289 while that of the Chemical Plant's section is 817.

Proper Will Will Protect Your Family

Are your personal affairs in good order? In the event of your death, will your family receive the death benefits to which they are entitled without legal complications and problems?

An easy way to insure your family against involvement in heart-rending trouble or, perhaps, even family quarrels is to draw up a proper will.

There is nothing complicated or mysterious about a will. It is simply the legal way of telling how you desire to have your earthly possessions divided upon your death.

Completing a designation of beneficiaries on your life insurance policies and your Provident Fund is necessary, but it is only a small portion of what you should do.

In a will, which should be drawn up by a lawyer to protect your family against legal loopholes or omissions, you may tell exactly what you wish to have done with all your wealth. You simply say who is to get your real estate, automobile, valuable jewelry, savings and any other items of value that you may possess. You can decide who is to administer your estate.

A will can also serve as an inventory of your estate in that you list everything you own and tell where it is to go. Without such a listing, a valuable piece of property or perhaps money in a bank somewhere might never come into your family's hands simply because they did not know it existed.

One of the most important things about drawing up a will is this—do it now!

Tomorrow may be too late. Of course, we all expect to be here tomorrow, but why not fix up that will today—just in case?

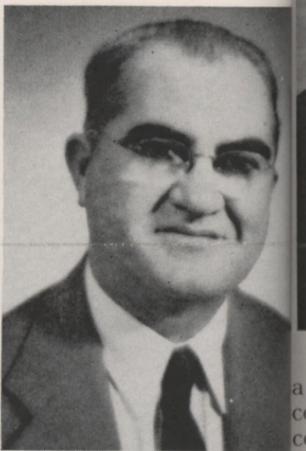
McKeown Is Baseball Pres.

Harry McKeown of the Refinery Machine Shop was recently elected president of the Texas Teen-Age League Baseball Association, a state-wide, non-profit organization that conducts three teen-age leagues in the state.

McKeown, who served as Vice-President last year, was elected to replace Pasadena Mayor Clyde T. Gary at the head of the Association. In 1956 there were 85 leagues composed of 397 teams in 47 Texas counties. It is expected the organization will be larger this season.

Two other Refinery employees are also officials in the Association that spreads through Texas counties from the Louisiana border to West Texas and up into the Panhandle. Cleve O'Toole, Engineering, is on the Executive Board and Kemper Kaiser, P. & I. R., is a Director.

25 Years Service



M. P. Marrie Utilities (Ref.)

For Sale

Run-About boat—13 ft., semi-V bottom, motor trailer. All in good condition. For information call J. Glover, WA 3-9642.

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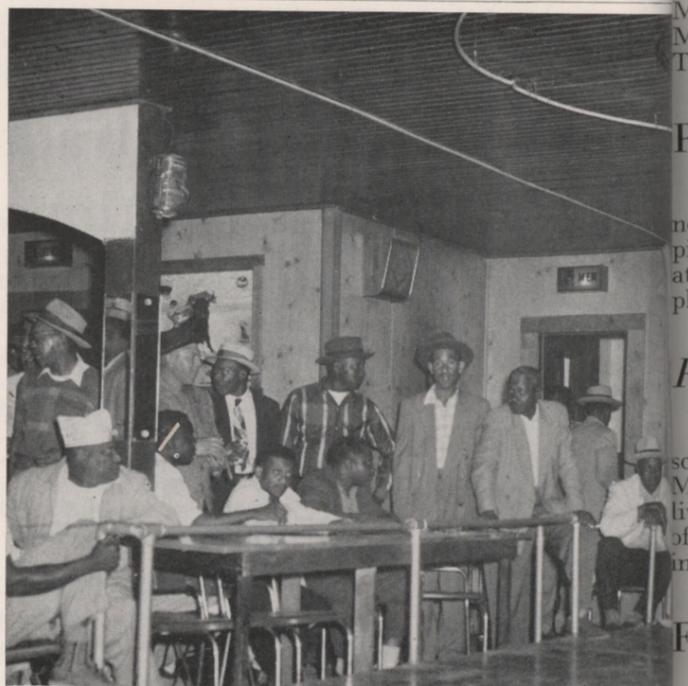
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The Shell Employees Social Club held its first stag night of the year on March 29. Waiting for the entertainment to begin are Refinery employees (standing to right) O. G. Green of the Refinery Lab, an unknown man, D. C. Marble of Eng.-Field, Cleven Toler of Eng.-Field, Robert Miles of the Refinery Lab and Woodward of Eng.-Field. Identifiable persons seated are Luckie Smith of the Plant (second to right of post) and Azzie Hagerty of Eng.-Field (last man on right). (Photo by Gip Gibson, SHELLEGRAM reporter.)

REPORTERS'



ROUNDUP

News of Refinery Employees

McGuire-Whitney Wedding Held

William H. McGuire of the Pipe Shop was married on March 9 in the Galena Park Presbyterian Church to the former Miss Erletha Whitney of Galena Park. The couple now resides at 102½ Canton St. in Houston. Mrs. McGuire is employed at the American Baking Co.

Two Refinery employees were members of the wedding party. J. W. Morrison Jr. of the Welding Shop served as Best Man and W. E. Bailess of the Pope Shop was a Groomsman.

Maddux Completes Course



R. B. "Bob" Maddux, Training Assistant (left), completed a two-weeks course for Shell employees from around the country who have recently entered the training field. The course held in Galveston last month was the first one conducted entirely by Shell for its employees. Also taking part were E. M. McCracken Jr. (center), Head Office Training Representative for the West Coast, who conducted the school, and D. O. Shaw from Shell Pipeline's Training Section in Houston. J. P. Thomas, Refinery Training Supervisor, served as one of the instructors at the school.

Grossman of Research Is Married

Allan P. Grossman of the Research Lab and the former Miss Kay Owens of Walnut Ridge, Ark., were married on March 10. The wedding was held in Colorado Springs, Colo. The couple now resides at 1510 Blodgett in Houston.

Piano Prize to Eugene Grace

Eleven-year-old Eugene Grace, son of E. C. Grace, Engineering-Office, took first place in his age division in the annual piano contest sponsored by the Houston Music Teachers' Association. Mike Smith, son of S. A. Smith, Distilling, won fifth place in the 10-year-old division.

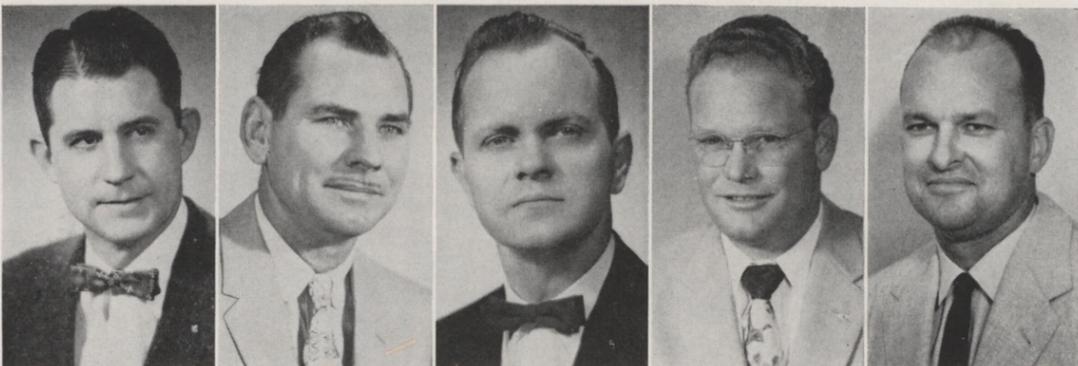
Preston Poole Weds

The First Methodist Church in Palestine, Texas, was the scene of the wedding of Preston Poole of the Lube Dept. and Miss Shari Hassell of Palestine on March 8. The couple is now living at 421 South Walters St. in Pasadena. Both are graduates of North Texas State College. Mrs. Poole expects to teach school in this area.

Frank Davis Takes Art Award

Frank Davis, 15-year-old son of Refinery Photographer Sam Davis, was the winner of the first prize in the senior division of the Houston Post's annual Easter Art Exhibit. The Lamar High School student won the \$35 purchase prize with a pair of companion busts of carved and stained woods entitled "Pieta." His work was put on display in the Museum of Fine Arts at 5700 South Main St.

15 Years Service



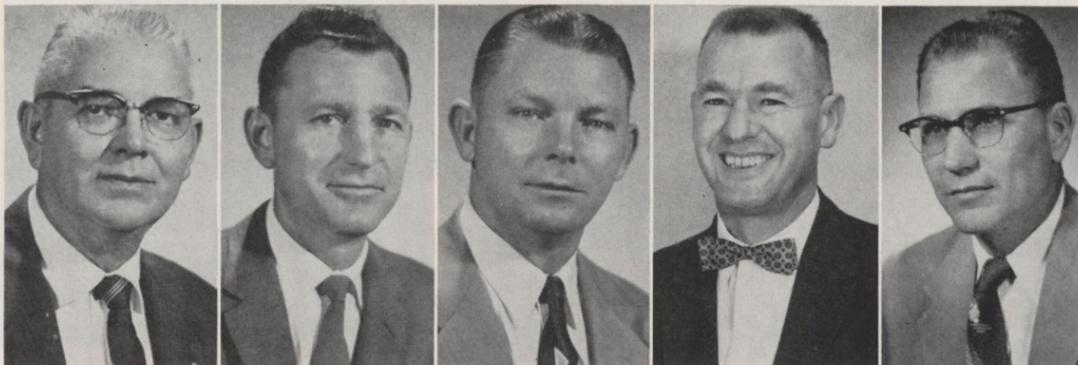
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Eng.-Field (Ref.)

J. K. Buchanan
Lube Oils (Ref.)

G. L. Cross Jr.
Treas. (Ref.)

J. W. Dickens
Eng.-Field (Chem.)

T. E. English
Opr. (Chem.)



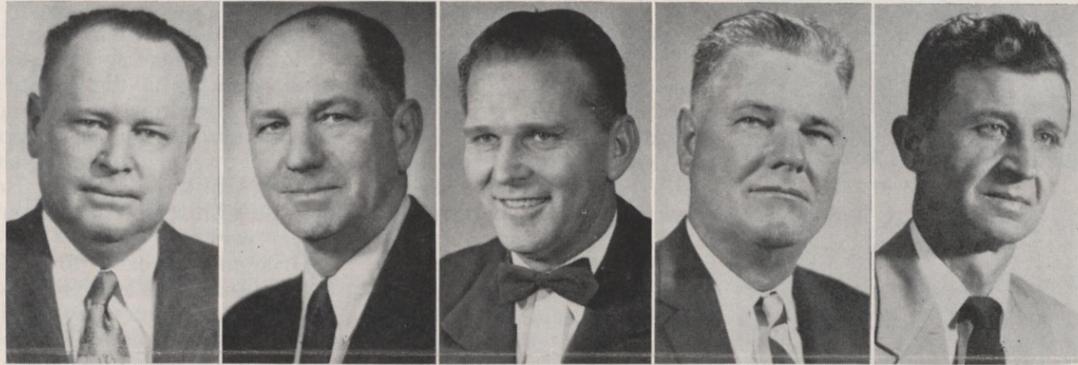
L. O. Glover
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

I. L. Ham
Arom. (Ref.)

M. W. Hambrick
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

R. E. Hughes
Eng. (Chem.)

C. L. Ivy
Distilling (Ref.)



W. C. Jahn
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

W. L. McCarley
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

W. P. Matthews
Opr. (Chem.)

P. B. Miller
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

R. W. Moser
Lube Oils (Ref.)



J. J. Murdock
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

W. I. Peppers
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

H. H. Reat Jr.
Ref. Lab (Ref.)

M. S. Reeves
Eng.-Field (Ref.)

Johnson Sanders
Therm. Crack. (Ref.)

Ref. Drivers Asked To Park Courteously

Refinery employees are urged to help make sure that full benefit is received from the enlargement and revision of the parking lots by observing the simple regulations now in effect.

For the convenience of everyone, all drivers should follow the direction markers in entering and leaving the lots and should park their cars with the tire touching the rail and the car within the marking lines.

Employees are asked not to park in the spaces that have been reserved for buses and visitors. Drivers of converted multi-purpose passenger vehicles other than regular large buses must secure authority from the Fire and Safety Dept. to park in the special bus section in the northeast corner of the east lot.



S. A. Smith
Distilling (Ref.)

J. H. Williams
Distilling (Ref.)

10 Years Service

CHEMICAL

- W. Banks, Eng. Field
- C. Boone, Eng. Field
- R. M. Breaux, Eng. Field
- U. Harvey, Eng. Field
- J. McGinty, Eng. Field
- W. G. Middlebrooks, Opr.
- J. H. Rhyne, Eng. Field
- W. C. Townsend, Eng. Field
- W. H. Wade, Opr.

15 YEARS

- L. V. Ash, Eng. Field (Chem.)

REFINERY

- L. K. Brown, Eng.-Office
- R. J. Olson, Research
- L. S. Perry, Lube
- F. K. Wilson, Aromatics

One economist estimates that we will use about 415 billion barrels of crude oil between now and the year 2,000 — more than one and one-half times the total oil discovered in the world to date.



The seven Refinery Laboratory employees with lifetime records of no lost-time accidents and more than 25 years of Shell service are (left to right) W. O. Hopper, H. J. Gray, C. E. Cassidy, Chris Raguth, L. W. Pearsey, C. F. Spraggins and J. T. Griffin.

Seven Refinery Lab Men Compile 186 Safe Years

An outstanding record of 186 years of Shell service without a lost-time accident has been chalked up by seven employees of the Refinery Laboratory. Each of the men has spent most of his career in the Lab and all of them have passed the quarter-century mark in service.

Combining their safe habits to prove that men can work without serious injury are C. E. Cassidy, H. J. Gray, J. T. Griffin, W. O. Hopper, L. W. Pearsey, Chris Raguth and C. F. Spraggins.

All of them attribute their safe records to a combination of many things — proper attitudes toward the job, training in safety and supervisors who accepted the responsibility of teaching them safe work habits during the first years of their long careers.

Safety seems to be a good habit all over the Lab. As of the end of February, Lab workers had marked up 1,000 days and 815,036 man-hours without a lost-time accident. No accidents apparently were recorded in March, but exact and official figures were not yet available for that month.

Spraggins was the first to realize there were as many as seven employees in the Lab with perfect safety records and more than 25 years of Shell service. Completing 27 years of service this month, he said he thought one of the most important things in making a man a safe worker is to start him out in the right direction when he first comes to work. He indicated that his initial safety training went a long way toward keeping him from being injured.

"They started me off right and I just got in the habit of being safe," he said. The continuing of safety education and giving out of safety information are both excellent ways of keeping a man on his toes, Spraggins said.

The others, in agreeing with Spraggins about teaching a

new man good work habits said foremen and supervisors have the responsibility of seeing that younger employees learn how to work safely.

The handling of volatile materials in the Lab calls for constant vigilance against the possibility of fires and the use of so much glassware brings about a special hazard that must be controlled largely by each individual worker.

Spraggins is now a Shift Foreman and has spent his entire Shell career in the Lab except for a period of a few months when he worked in the Treating Dept.

Cassidy also has spent most all of his 25 years in the Lab where he is now Assistant Chief Inspector. He worked briefly in the Treating and Engineering Depts. at the start of his career before moving over to the Lab.

Gray has 27 years of service with all of it having been in the Lab where he is now Shift Foreman.

Griffin also has spent his entire Shell career of 27 years in the Lab. He is currently working as a Supervisor of Special Testers.

Hopper, Foreman of the Knock Test Lab, has 26 years of Shell service with almost all of it being in the Lab.

Pearsey, with 25 years of service, has spent the short period of time in the Lab he worked in the Treating Dept. Now a Chemist, he brought a safe record with him from the old Arkansas City Refinery but he does have 18 years of work in the Houston Refinery Lab.

Raguth, also a Supervisor of Special Testers, has 28 years of Shell service, the same amount of time he has been working safely in the Lab.

Every year the oil industry spends \$130 million for almost 564 million pounds of catalysts — those amazing substances that speed up refining processes.



B. J. Walter

Walter, Grissom Promoted In Refinery Utilities Dept.

B. J. Walter was promoted April 1 to fill a newly-created post in the Utilities Dept. it was announced by Department Manager C. S. MacGregor.

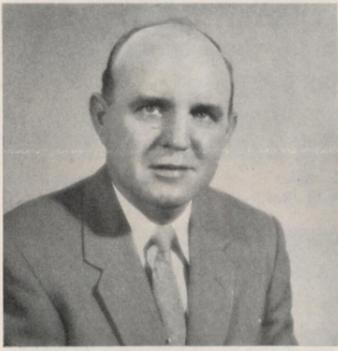
Walter, who was serving as Shift Foreman, assumed the new position of Operating Assistant. MacGregor also announced that J. C. Grissom had been elevated to Shift Foreman to replace Walter.

In his new post, Walter will be primarily responsible for the operation and maintenance

of the electrical generating and distribution systems.

Both men have spent many years working in the Utilities Dept. Walter started working for Shell in 1939 as a Helper in the Power House and has been in Utilities ever since. He became a Shift Foreman about three years ago.

Grissom first came to work for Shell in 1942 as a General Helper in Engineering-Field, but was transferred to Utilities two months later and has been there ever since, holding jobs of increasing importance.



J. C. Grissom

Shell Aids Promotion Of Cancer Education

Both the Refinery and Chemical Plant aided in the observation of Cancer Education Month in April by giving out information pamphlets with employee pay checks.

The booklets distributed by the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society described cancer symptoms and told of ways to diagnose cancerous conditions and stop them before it becomes too late.

Society officials pointed out that no fund drive was held in Harris County during the special month because that was taken care of during the United Fund drive last fall.

Three Fund Options Available to Retired

When you leave Shell as a pensioner you have several choices with respect to your Provident Fund. You may: 1) withdraw all the money credited to your account—your contributions and Shell's and earnings; 2) use all or any part of your total Provident Fund for the purchase from the Pension Trust of a Supplementary Pension; or 3) deposit the whole sum or any part of it with the Fund to share in earnings.

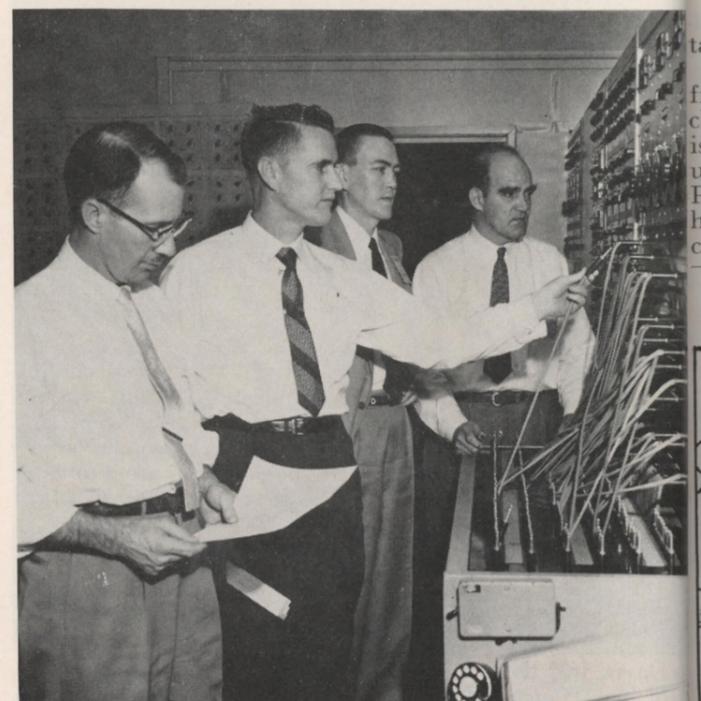
Tuggle Directs Electric System Special Study

A week-long study of the Refinery-Chemical Plant electrical distribution system was conducted last month at the General Electric Laboratory in Schenectady, N. Y., with Refinery Electrical Project Engineer L. C. Tuggle acting as coordinator.

Tuggle said the purpose of the study was to determine the present condition of the local system and to help plan for the future needs. The study was made possible by means of an A-C network analyzer board upon which the Shell system could be duplicated in miniature form.

This study consisted of analyzing the duplicated Shell electrical system in relation to such items as short circuits, load flows, load stability, transient stability and relay coordination.

Also making the trip to New York to observe and aid with the study were O. O. LaCour, Electrical Engineer at the Chemical Plant, and C. S. MacGregor, Refinery Utilities Dept. Manager. R. B. Thompson, an Electrical Engineer from Head Office, also represented Shell. Some six G. E. employees assisted in setting up and operating the board which Shell actually rented from G. E. for the study.



Working with the electrical board that simulated the local electrical distribution system during a study in New York are (left to right) O. O. LaCour, Chemical Plant Electrical Engineer; L. C. Tuggle, Refinery Electrical Project Engineer; R. B. Thompson, Head Office, and Refinery Utilities Manager C. S. MacGregor.

20 Years Service



D. N. Gaither
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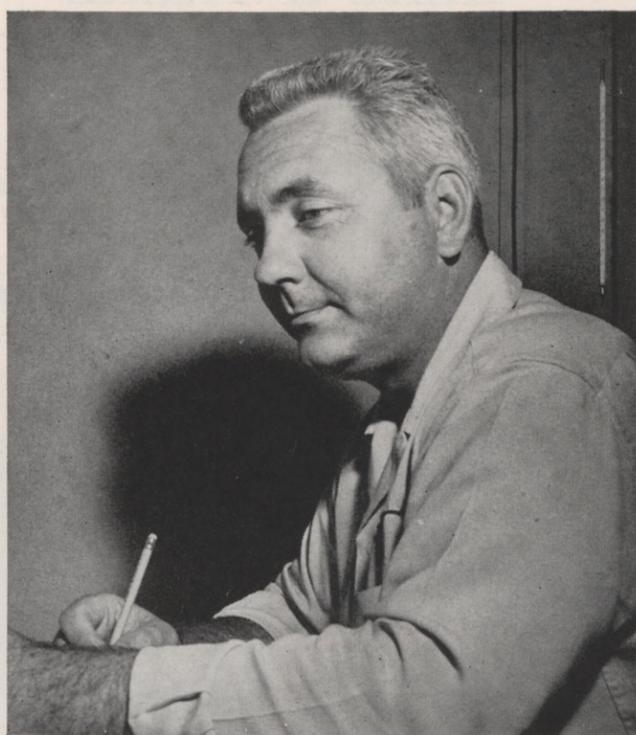
Three Refinery Men to Make Scout Trip



A. W. Fields



Harry Estes



Don Shook

New Employees

CHEMICAL

Engineering

D. J. Schulz, Draftsman

Laboratory

E. M. Curtis, Chemist
J. R. Fields, Jr. Lab Ass't.
J. F. Moles, Jr., Chemist

P & IR

O. M. Banks, Industrial Hygienist

Research

E. B. Crutchfield, Jr., Jr. Lab Ass't.

Treasury

Doroth M. Goven, Jr. Clerk
Patricia E. Johnson, Jr. Clerk
Barbara A. Lamb, Jr. Opr. Dupl.
Charlotte A. Milbauer, Steno.

REFINERY

Returned From Military Leave

R. E. Kane, Eng-Services
W. E. Dierker, Research

Gone on Military Leave

R. E. Harvey, Gas

REFINERY

Engineering-Field

R. V. Atherton
G. F. Adlong Jr.
V. W. Archer
R. A. Pohlman
B. J. Hare
D. E. Ward
R. A. Napier
J. B. Lewis
D. E. Stephens
D. A. Kocurek
C. E. Shirley
J. E. Parker
R. W. Andrews
J. W. Woosley
W. A. Kyle
C. W. Taylor
D. G. Smith
H. L. Prenzler
H. B. Daniels
H. R. Freasier
T. J. Thomasson
J. H. Shults
M. L. Tessier
E. L. Engel
N. G. Choate
V. D. Lummus
D. L. Murphy
O. L. Harris Jr.
P. A. Townsend
D. B. Laird
M. Holmes
T. G. Gilmore
H. O. Pryor
G. G. Freudenberg
J. R. Fontenot
M. A. Gajevsky
J. L. Linton
C. O. Anderson
S. P. Anton

Research Lab

D. W. Emerson

Estes, Fields, Shook Planning Jamboree Trip

Three Refinery men have been honored by being chosen to act as leaders for local Boy Scout troops taking part in the National Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pa., in July.

Making the trip to the battlefield site will be H. D. Estes, Manager of the Economics and Scheduling Dept.; A. W. Fields, Insulation Shop, and D. M. Shook, Stores Dept. A number of employees' sons are also scheduled to take part in the huge event.

Some 370 boys and 30 leaders are planning to leave Houston by train on July 4 and arrive at Valley Forge July 9 after sightseeing stopovers in St. Louis, Detroit, Niagara Falls, Washington, D. C., and New York City. The local group is scheduled to be the first troop of Scouts to arrive officially at the Jamboree. The return trip will be by way of Mammoth Cave in Kentucky with arrival in Houston set for July 21.

Each troop making the trip to the Jamboree will be composed of up to 37 boys with a scout master and two assistants. The boys in each troop will be outstanding representatives of various Scout groups in the local districts.

Estes, who is regularly the

Scout Master of Troop 506 in Pasadena, will be serving as Scout Master of Troop 5 on the Jamboree trip. A veteran of seven years of Scout work, this will mark his first trip to the Jamboree. However, his 16-year-old son Frank will be taking part in his second Jamboree.

Fields, who will serve as one of the Assistant Scout Masters in Estes' group, is also making his first Jamboree trip as is his son, 11-year-old A. W. Fields Jr. Fields is regularly Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 199 in the San Jacinto District and has been working with Scouts for some 12 years.

Shook is a newcomer to Scouting work as he has been in it for about one year. He serves as Cub Master for Pack 155 which has some 40 boys in it. He will be going to Valley Forge as an Assistant Scout Master of Troop 4. Shook will have to wait until the next Jamboree to send one of his sons on the trip as Rod, the oldest of four boys, is one year short of the minimum Jamboree age of 11. Shook estimates he will be in Scouting for 18 years if he takes part in seeing all his sons through the various levels.

The three Shell men were chosen to make the trip as leaders by the local Jamboree Steering Committee.

Other Shell sons slated to attend the Jamboree include James Moyers, son of J. B. Moyers, Cat Cracking; Donnie Williams, son of M. Williams,

Boilermaker, Chemical; David Spraggins, son of C. F. Spraggins, Refinery Lab; Jimmy Wallace, son of H. M. Wallace, Eng.-Field; S. W. Chalmers Jr., son of S. W. Chalmers, Refinery Machine Shop.



March 9—Mark Wayne Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Crawford, Automotive.

March 22—Marcia Diane Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harris, Utilities.

March 23—Andrea Lee Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hudson, Treasury, 6 lbs., 8½ oz., at St. Joseph's Hospital.

April 8—James Mark Bean, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bean, Dispatching, 9 lbs., 6 oz.

Fire Dept. Seeks Used Pool Table

Do you have a used pool table you want to sell? C. M. Wolters of the Refinery Instrument Shop is chairman of a committee which is seeking to purchase a good used pool table for the Deer Park Fire Dept. If you can help them out, give Wolters a call at Refinery Ext. 545.

JOE & MOE

By G. B. Dunn



Chemical Plant HERE & THERE

Employees Sponsor Boy Scouts

The Houston Plant recently provided sponsors for three Eagle and Explorer Scouts during the Scout Recognition Program. Sponsors were A. M. Brandt, Chemist, Laboratory Department, and from the Technological Department, J. R. Marino, Technologist and C. E. Voss, Technologist.

Before the program began some 150 Scouts listed the type of degree they will seek in college and the industry in which they would most like to work.

In carrying out the program each sponsor talked with a scout and answered any questions he may have about the Chemical Industry. In some cases Scouts had an opportunity to visit various plants in this area.

The program began on a Monday and the following Friday the sponsors took the Scouts to a dinner at the Houston Club. The vocational guidance theme was continued at the dinner as several speakers told the boys how they could best achieve the goals they had set for themselves.



Sponsor C. E. Voss, (right) Technologist, and Eagle Scout Kent Bordelon.



A. M. Brandt, left, sponsored Eagle Scout Jimmy Lobb at Houston Club dinner.



E. A. Thomas' Son Wins Prize

Joe York Thomas, son of E. A. "Buck" Thomas of the Refinery Machine Shop, for the second straight year has won first place in the biological science division of the District One Science Fair.

His victory in the 33-county competition held recently in Beaumont entitles him to an expense-paid trip to the National Science Fair in Los Angeles May 9-11. Making the free trip with young Thomas will be his science teacher, Jack C. Pemberton, the son of Frank L. Pemberton who just retired this year from the Utilities Dept. at the Refinery.

Joe's exhibit this year dealt with Psittacosis (Parrot Fever) in the parakeet. It showed by pictures and text material in four panels the cause and effect, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of the disease.

The 16-year-old LaPorte High School junior raises parakeets and his interest in their diseases was a natural outgrowth of his desires to keep his birds healthy. His winning exhibit last year dealt with neoplasia in parakeets. Joe currently has some 300 birds.

Planning a career as a biology teacher, he is looking forward to attending the University of Texas following high school graduation. In addition to his parakeets and interest in biology, Joe keeps busy as president of the Junior Academy of Science; as a member of the school band, the Future Teachers Club, the Thespians, the National Honor Society, the Key Club, and with work on the school newspaper.

Joe said he started working on his exhibit last summer and was at it steadily right up to the time of the district fair. Pemberton pointed out that the whole project was completed outside of class on Joe's own time.



Joe York Thomas (right) shows part of his exhibit on Parrot Fever that won a first place prize and a trip to Los Angeles to his teacher, Jack Pemberton.

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In addition to his first place award, Joe won a second place cash prize for medical exhibits given by the Jefferson County Medical Society. At the national event, he will be competing for prizes ranging from \$25 to \$125 worth of science equipment of his own choosing. There will be some 26 entrants from Texas alone.

There were 336 entries in the Beaumont competition which was sponsored by the Texas Academy of Science and Lamar Tech. The National event is sponsored by the Science Clubs of America through Science Service.

Shell Basketball Team Second In League Play

A combination of Chemical Plant and Refinery cagers recently won second place in the Petroleum Basketball League. The team received a trophy that is now on display in the SERA display case in the Chemical cafeteria.

Members of the team from Chemical are J. S. Smith, Paint Shop, J. E. Hobson, G Department, W. H. Young, Boiler Shop, J. E. Harris, Machine Shop, G. C. Miller, G



Members of Research Department and their guests got all dressed up and went to a Mardi Gras Party held at Friendswood. 1—Left to right; D. D. Weaver and Marry Ross, L. A. Macha (Eng. Dept.), and wife Peggy, Dorothy and F. T. Carlson (E Dept.), 2—J. H. LaRochelle and wife Irene as "Jack and Jill" sans pail of water. Others at table, left to right are; R. E. Wright, Mary and Cliff Marshall, Sandy O'Leary and Lavon Edwards. 3—Left to right; Norman and Caroline Hall, Mrs. R. A. Slyker, F. M. Smipson, R. J. Shrontz, Kay and W. A. Shrode and Suzie Carter. 4—Norman Hall, Joanna Riesser, G. B. Carter and G. H. Riesser, are laughing over spilled ice. 5—G. D. Edwards, fastest gun in Research, and J. H. LaRochelle, of Jack and Jill, pause to watch fellow party-goers.

Ref. Retiree Morris Dies

Earl G. Morris, who retired from the Refinery Aug. 1, 1955, died March 30 in Houston.

Morris retired as a Blawie Smith No. 1 in the Engineering-Field Dept. after more than 26 years of service and had been in Houston since his retirement. Survivors include his wife and one son.



E. G. Morris

Department, P. A. Bond, & Refinery Shop. From the Refinery T. R. Woods, Pipe and F. Spanacino, Automation Dept.

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