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SANTA CLAUS, CARTOONIST'S INVENTION, BRINGS JOY TO U.S. CHILDREN

Just a little over 100 years ago, during the tragic era of the American Civil War, a talented young artist barely out of his teens was building a reputation that would quickly establish him as one of the greatest political cartoonists in history.

His name was Thomas Nast and many of the figures that spilled from his imaginative mind onto the pages of Harper's Illustrated-Weekly would ultimately become classic symbols that have survived to the present day. Among them are the Republican elephant, the Democratic donkey, the full dinner pail, and the square paper hat of American labor.

One of our most beloved of all our modern Christmas figures also is a Thomas Nast creation. Curiously, although it was his personal favorite, it is among his least known--not a general nor a politician--but that fat, jolly old elf in the fur-trimmed suit, Santa Claus himself.

Nast pictured Santa in a suit with stars and stripes on it distributing pieces of clothing and goodies to soldiers. Santa was seated in a sleigh pulled by reindeer and appeared in several Harper's illustrations at Christmas time, 1863. Nast had put on paper his imaginations of Pleze-Nichol (St. Nicholas) of his childhood in Landau, Bavaria.

MTM PROCESS R and D LAB CHILDREN HAVE THEIR VERY OWN SANTA

Santa Claus in the person of MTM Process R&D Lab's Hans Benesi came strolling down the street to the cafeteria last Saturday for the children's Christmas party. Dressed in a crushed red velvet suit, Hans present-

ed a good likeness of Santa to the children.

There were talks with Santa, balloons and entertainment which included a magic show by Steve Shain from the Bellaire Research Center.



Santa Claus, alias Hans Benesi, strolled down Center Street to the cafeteria and the kids swarmed him. Magician Steve Shain made a tissue paper hat from shredded paper for Diana Walters.



Even the grownups, Delma Walters and Shirley Decou, were thrilled to see Santa Claus with his bag of goodies.

DISTILLING-SOLVENTS AND TREATING EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR SAFE YEAR



At the Distilling-Solvents and Treating safety dinner were, top, l-r, C. W. Reid, H. L. Prenzler, F. M. Krupa, Helen Bailey, O. O. Pipes, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tipton and Freddy Long. Second row are W. R. and Mrs. Hulett, Mr. and Mrs. S. Juarez, Mrs. Johnny Morrow, Hazel Wood, Johnny Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Cherry. At right are Mrs. L.B. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Norton and Mrs. Sammy Davis.



REFINERS SCATTER SEEDS OF JOYOUS SEASON BY DOING WHAT THEY DO BEST

Spreading the joy of the Christmas season to others has been an objective of many Refinery employees and families. Some have participated in charity drives to provide food, clothing and toys for those less fortunate than they. Others have used their own special talents to spread the Christmas spirit. One employee who is very active in a Houston recreation choral group, each year participates in the Tree of Light pageant at Miller Theater and also sings carols to people in different homes for senior citizens. Another employee helps his Citizen's Band Radio organization collect food, money and toys for needy families.

Two Employee Relations men, Don Jennings and Cliff Dorflinger have demonstrated the meaning of Christmas in their own special ways. Don, who is a great organizer, handled arrangements for the Shepherd, Texas, Chamber of Commerce annual party for area children. About 200 stockings were given to children at the party Saturday afternoon.

Don also organized an all-out effort to decorate Shepherd's main street for the

festive season.

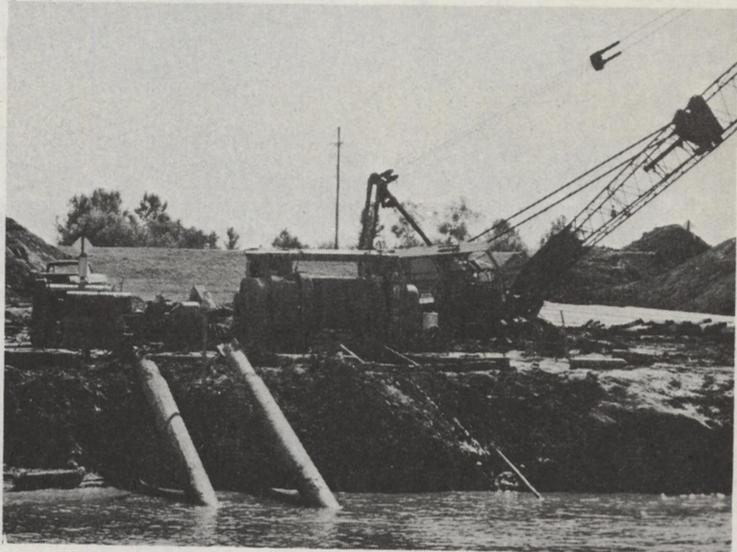
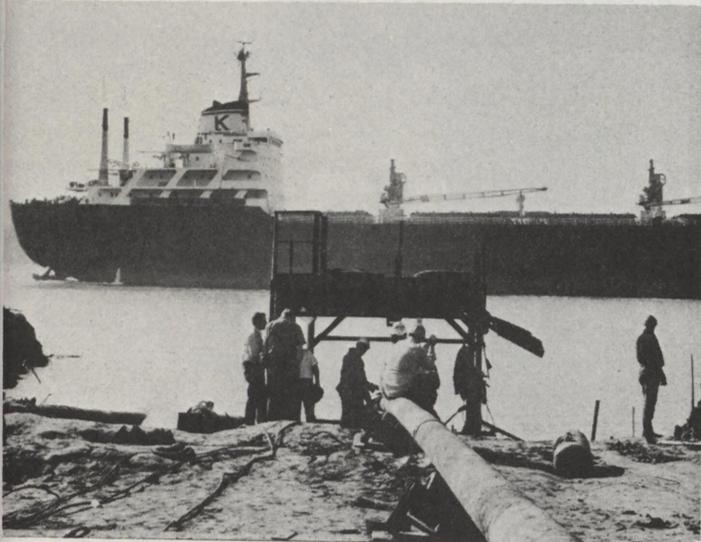
Cliff had a starring role in Trinity Baptist Church's annual Yuletide play Wednesday. He played the grandfather of a young child whose parents had been killed in a previous holiday season. The 3-act drama, "Dust on a Christmas Star," is built around the efforts the grandfather and child make to help the grandmother regain the Christmas spirit.

This was Cliff's second starring role this year. He was required to grow a beard for the last production this fall.

CLASSIFIEDS

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'68 Pontiac Catalina SW, nine pass., top rack & trailer hitch, loaded, 55,000 actual miles, new insp. sticker, \$1,500. Telephone: 469-1033



Each line was pulled across the river by a 200-ton drawworks on the opposite side of the river. By using this pull technique, the pipeline could be laid without disrupting

traffic on the Mississippi. Right, the drawworks pulls the third line across the river which is about 2,600 feet wide and about 80 feet deep at this point.

SHELL PIPE LINE PULLS 8 LINES ACROSS MISSISSIPPI RIVER SIMULTANEOUSLY

Shell Pipe Line Corporation recently completed a construction "first" by installing eight pipelines across the Mississippi River at one time.

The multiple pipeline crossing is near Shell Oil Company's Norco Refinery located across the river from Taft, Louisiana. It consists of two 16-inch, three 6-inch, and three 4-inch lines. The project cost about \$2.4 million.

Only one of the eight pipelines--a 16-inch line--will be used immediately. This line will transport natural gas from Shell's Gibson, Louisiana, field to the Norco Refinery. It will become operational in early 1973 when a link between the field and the refinery is completed.

According to Shell's forecasts, all eight lines will be needed in the future. Thus, by completing all of the construction at one time, the firm was able to realize the most effective use of equipment and manpower while minimizing disturbance in the area.

Each of the pipelines was individually pulled across the river by a 200-ton drawworks and placed in a single, 160 foot wide ditch. This is the first time that a major river in the United States has been crossed in this manner with eight pipelines.

Laser beam surveying instruments and a Fathometer were used to carefully position each line. The lines were then covered with 25 feet of soil to provide a protective "blanket".

Several features have been incorporated into the pipeline crossing to insure safe and dependable operation. To protect the pipe from corrosion and other damage, the line

was coated with both mastic and concrete. Cathodic protection, an electrical process to help prevent corrosion, will also be applied to the pipeline.

Welds were inspected visually and by X-Ray techniques. After the lines were laid, they were hydrostatically pressure tested for strength. Block valves are also being installed on both sides of the river to provide additional protection in the unlikely event a leak should occur.

PROVIDENT FUND NEWS

The following are the Provident Fund valuations:

Equities Fund

December 5, 1972 - \$3.028

Shell Stock Fund

December 1972 - \$53.648

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Broyhill davenport, needs upholstering, \$35. Maple recliner, \$30. Royal manual typewriter & table, \$30. Bassett bookcase headboard, dresser, innerspring mattress and boxsprings, \$45.

Telephone: 479-1772

3-1-1 home, fenced, air, stove, built-in dishwasher, large trees, will even throw in male St. Bernard to good family. \$1500 equity, \$118 a month.

Telephone: 455-4486 after 5

FOUND

Wheelcover. Claim at main gate.

PERSONAL

To my friends at Shell: I wish to express my thanks for the most appreciated retirement gifts and scroll. I assure you that the fishing gear will be used often.

My wife and I are getting settled in the country and look forward to your visits. Our address is Rt. 1, Box 132, Crockett 75835. Thanks again, W. F. (Moon) & Ruth Mooneyham

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A SAFE AND HAPPY

HOLIDAY SEASON



HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO REFINERY EMPLOYEES AND FAMILIES

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FOR SALE

10-speed English racer, good condition, \$40.
Telephone: 477-7451 or 472-2645

18-inch portable black & white TV. Works pretty well, \$30.
Telephone: 472-8445

1970 Honda Mini trail 70.
Telephone: 697-7339

1965 Chevelle Malibu, air, radio, heater, excellent work car. \$495.
Telephone: 472-5851 after 5 p.m.

Suzuki Trail Hopper mini bike, 173 actual miles, 3 hp, small sized helmet, carriers, \$200. Ideal Christmas gift.
Telephone: 643-8131 after 5:30

1961 Ford Falcon stationwagon, doesn't run. Has new parts to get it running if you're a good mechanic. \$50.
Telephone: 472-5851 after 5

Suzuki 125cc Duster, 1971 model, 1400 miles, excellent condition, adult owner, combination trail and street bike. \$375.
Telephone: 488-3397

1967 Buick Riviera, good body & motor, all power & air, see to believe. \$1195.
Telephone: 424-4316 or 1-935-6560

1971 VW Super Beetle. Excellent condition. deluxe Sony radio with FM and 3 AM bands, plus dual speakers. Priced to sell.
Telephone: 472-0800

Large home on 1 acre near Pearland. 2400 sq. ft. antique brick colonial, 4 bdr., 2½ baths, fam. rm., separate dining room, separate laundry room, 2 car garage. \$34,500. Refinance or \$4500 equity. Also 3½ acres 2 blocks from home, \$3700/acre. Fenced for horses, barn, deep well.
Telephone: 485-5043

'69 Oldsmobile 4-door sedan, all power and air, 455 cu. in engine, heavy duty radiator, transmission cooler, heavy duty shocks & springs, very low mileage, excellent condition, must sell.
Telephone: 472-0800

Golfview Manor, near 610 West, house--3-2-2 brick, central heat, fenced, 220, built-in stove, disposal, carpeted, & draped, new paint, new loan or equity. See to appreciate. \$18,900.
Telephone: 649-1033

72 blue CL 350 Honda with sissy bar and pad, 2 metal-flake helmets included, \$668 or \$200 and take up payments \$468 (still owe)--payments \$36 a month. Runs great, is in excellent condition.
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