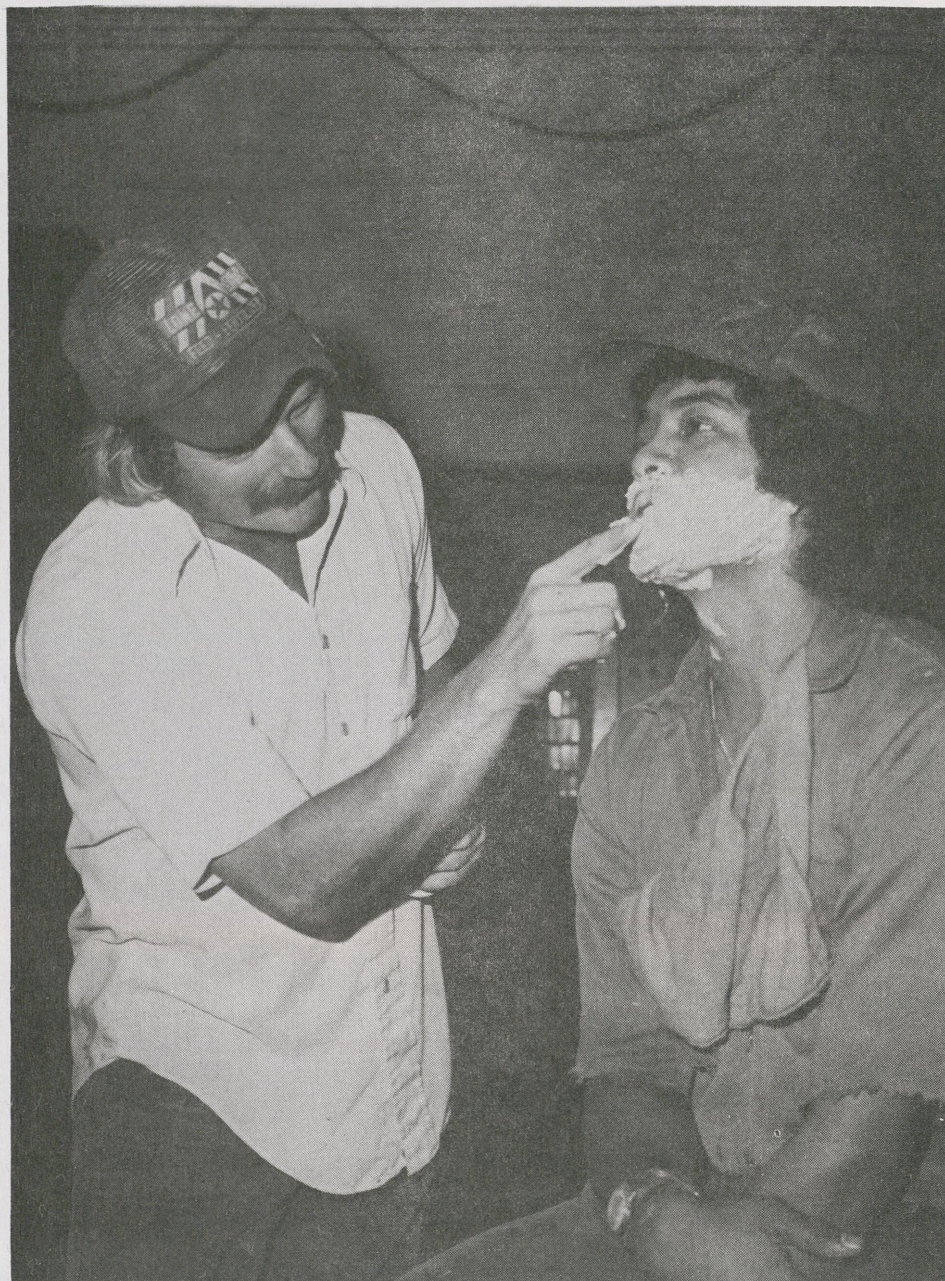


WINNER TAKES ALL: WHISKERS THAT IS



At the beginning of the SCORA softball season Robert Poye of the Turkeys and Frank Garcia of the Nanniers Brigade made a bet on who would win.

Game day came. The Turkeys won 6-2 and Frank Garcia lost his whiskers amidst much cheering and encouragement from his fellow employees.

Better luck next time, Frank.

RESPONSE ACTION TEAMS PROVIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

The 17 Response Action Teams now existing within Shell's refineries, chemical plants and two of its distribution terminals had their genesis with the DPMC's Chemical Plant Decontamination Team formed in the late 1960's.

Initiated to provide competent technical assistance in times of emergency, the team provided emergency telephone numbers on each bill of lading and had these numbers stenciled on the tank cars.

Now, one national industry-wide telephone number is used. It is CHEMTREC 800-424-9300 located in Washington, D. C. From there the caller is directed to the proper company and individual who can assist them.

In 1976 Shell formed the Chemical Distribution Emergency Response Department, and the Emergency Response Teams came into being on a corporate basis.

Teams at the complex consist of the following employees:

Chemical - Ernie Stringfellow (captain), Bill Bridges, Tony DeSantis, Ed Parker and Les Bassinger.

Refinery - Don Lanning (captain), Bernie Ebert, Claud Burgess, P.E. Carter, Mac McLeod and Harold Peoples.

Bill Bridges and Ed Parker handled the most recent emergency which involved
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MYSTERY BIRD IDENTITY SOLVED BY 12 YEAR OLD

The *Shellegram* received a letter Monday from 12 year old Craig Young, son of H. L. Young, Financial.

The letter read as follows: "The mystery bird in the June 16 *Shellegram* is definitely a nighthawk (or bullbat). My 1976 *World Book*

Encyclopedia says: 'The nighthawk (or bullbat) is about 10 inches long and has mixed black, white and buff plumage, and a white throat patch. It has a white bar on each wing. After sunset the nighthawk goes out hunting for in-

sects. The female lays two speckled eggs on the ground or on gravel rooftops."

That describes the bird pictured and it agrees with most of the telephone calls received shortly after the paper hit the stands.

FORT PARKER STIRS FRONTIER MEMORIES

One of the most dramatic and poignant stories of the early Texas frontier is that of nine year old Cynthia Ann Parker and her younger brother, John.

Captured by a band of Indians during a raid on Parker's Fort in 1836, both Cynthia Ann and John became acclimated to life with the Indians.

John made a name for himself among the Comanches as a skillful raider of Mexican ranchos. While in her early teens, Cynthia Ann married Chief Peta Nacona and had three children - two sons, Pecos and Quanah, and a daughter, Prairie Flower.

As the years went by, several soldiers and travelers reported seeing Cynthia Ann. Attempts to ransom her were refused.

In 1869, Captain Sul Ross and his band of Texas Rangers were successful in recapturing Cynthia Ann and her infant daughter. She was looked after by officers' wives before being sent to live with her uncle, Colonel Isaac Parker. However, after having lived for 25 years with the Comanches, she was never happy after her return. Several times she tried to run away.

Little Prairie Flower died in 1864 and Cynthia Ann died shortly thereafter.

Her son, Quanah, grew to be a famous chieftain, a feared and intrepid fighter. In 1874 when Quanah and his Comanches were defeated at Palo Duro Canyon, they were sent to a reservation near Fort Sill where Quanah became a respected citizen. In 1886 he was appointed Judge of the Court of Indian Offenses for several reservations in the Indian Territory, later Oklahoma.

TIMMONS NOT BILLINGS

Bob Timmons was mistakenly identified as F. Billings in the June 16 "Training Coordinators Review Training" picture.

Bob was one of several coordinators who completed the day-and-a-half workshop.

Response Action Teams provide emergency assistance....

'a tank car derailment in East Texas at Joaquin.

At first it was thought that the derailed tank car was leaking ethyl chloride; but when Bill and Ed got on the scene, it was found to be intact.

Still, they stayed on the scene until the tank car was rerailed. It was midnight before they returned to the chemical plant to pick up their cars left many hours' earlier.

And that, said Bill, was an easy one.

There have been others a lot more difficult. Take the time a 10,000 gallon tank car of ECH (epichlorohydrin) overturned on a steep incline in Schenevus, New York. It was 10 degrees below zero and the leaking tank car was lying in a stream which fed the Susquehanna River, the river providing Binghamton, New York, with its drinking water.

This job took seven men two-and-a-half days to handle all of the details. They flew to Binghamton via corporate jet and then drove the rest of the way to Schenevus where the tank car

was overturned.

Fortunately they were able to contain and transfer the product to tank trucks and avoid contamination of Binghamton's water supply.

When asked what the Response Action Teams do, Ernie Stringfellow said, "We hope we do nothing, but accidents do occur." And occur they do. Thank goodness Ernie and the others are ready and able to provide the assistance needed.

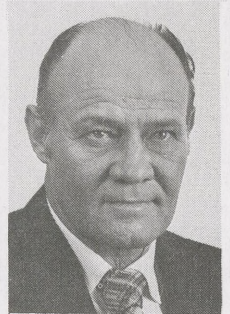
DEATHS

Ronnie Cheshire, 49, died June 15.

At the time of his death, he was a senior analyst in Lubricating Oils with 26½ years of company service.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Heights Funeral Home in Houston.

Ronnie resided in Texas City.



CRAFTSMEN HONORED AT SAFETY PARTIES



Craftsmen attending the insulators-brickmasons-riggers' safety party included: Gene Slavina, the B. J. Bakers; Don and Betty Straitwell; A. W. and Pauline Freitag, Gloria and Lee Ervin.



Attending the electricians' safety party were: Tom Cloves, Clarence Pertl, Hoss Jordan and Vic Ashe; Bill White (back to camera), Rose Charlot and Q. X. Willis; James and Virginia Bivin.

BILL HAYWOOD JOINS WISE OWL CLUB

BPA operator Bill Haygood is a new member of the internationally known Wise Owl Club of America which was organized for the prevention of blindness.

How did Bill become a member?

It all began on a routine April day when Bill was making his daily runs at the towers, getting his samples and putting 98 percent sulfuric acid in day tank #9.

Bill was wearing goggles - even though he was working in an area which didn't require them. Why? He was new. He'd joined Shell in December 1976 and had been in BPA for just a few weeks.

He was impressed with what other operators had told him and with what he had learned in the operator safety training about the need for caution in handling certain products.

Since he was new, Bill decided to take extra precautions.

Taking the extra precaution



Operator Bill Haygood, on the right, is presented his certificate of membership into the Wise Owl Club by BPA process manager David Andrews. Bill was made a member of the Wise Owl Club for having worn protective eye equipment which prevented his being blinded.

of wearing goggles that April day when he was putting sulfuric acid in day tank #9 paid off. He's just finished

filling the tank and had blocked it in when he noticed the motor valve was pressuring up. As he reached over to relieve the pressure, it blew. Thanks to the goggles, Bill's eyes were saved.

Now, Bill is a member of the Wise Owl Club.

Membership in the club is restricted to those employees who have actually saved their sight through wearing eye protective equipment at work or in school. Organized in 1947, the Wise Owl Club has expanded beyond the United States to include Great Britain, Canada, New Zealand, the Philippines and Puerto Rico.

GAS RECOVERY AND UTILITIES-CHEMICAL HONORED AT SAFETY PARTIES



Bill Alford, J. T. Parker, M. L. Booty, Boats Whittington, Nick Wolfe, Everett Rea and



J. L. and Martha Jones.

Franklin and Thomye Dismuke were guests at the Gas Recovery safety party as were

Gathered at the Utilities-Chemical safety party were Diana and Robert Ortiz,



Ovie and Alene Kennedy and

Glenn and Shirley Heasty.



"YOU tell her we already found it - she'll come up fighting!"

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

19' Mobil Traveler mini-motor home, roof air, sleeps 6, roof rack, trailer hitch, 9 mpg, like new, 10,200 miles. \$8,900
334-1215 after 5 pm

VW truck and hood lids. \$8 each. Attic fan. \$10. Disappearing staircase. \$15. 1969 VW. \$375. Mimeograph machine. \$10.
921-0943

1973 Chevrolet 1/2-ton truck, 350 V-8, standard, LWB, new tires, 2 gas tanks.
473-2728

1976 11' Coachman cabover complete with air. 1976 Chevrolet Silverado Dooley, loaded.
573-1292

Irish Setter, registered 14 months old.
472-4590

1965 VW bug, clean, runs good.
488-8235

42" attic fan. \$20. With 1/3 hp electric motor. \$45.
472-1138

1972 Chevy Impala 4-door sedan, 350 V-8, hydromatic, P/S, AM-FM, air. \$1,650.
479-1481 or 472-5988

Complete set of 14th edition Encyclopedia Britannica (24 books), excellent condition, includes atlas and bookcase. \$100.
471-5365

White, double, cast-iron kitchen sink complete with faucet and stainless rim \$25.
471-5365

Trash compactor, round bucket, good condition. \$75.
476-5722

1926 Model T Ford Coupe restored. \$3,500 or trade.
452-0572

1975 CJ-5 jeep, 19,000 miles, excellent condition, 4 mud tires, white mags, 305 V-8. \$4,600.
479-7790

1 1/2-ton Friedrich window air conditioner, fair condition. \$100.
943-1725

1968 Volvo stationwagon, air, radio, 4-speed, radial tires, good condition.
479-6591

Glass top oven, self-cleaning, clock, used 3 months, under warranty, Kenmore. \$300.
488-3314

PROVIDENT FUND NEWS

The Provident Fund valuation is as follows:

EQUITIES FUND

May 31 - \$2.457

SHELL STOCK FUND

May 16-31 - \$34.175

CRABBING A CINCH DOWN AT THE DOCKS



Crab fanciers take note. Crabs are everywhere. On the rocks. On the pipes. And in the water. Where? Down at the docks. That's where.

RULES FOR SUBMITTING ADS

Readers are reminded of the rules for submitting ads for free publication in the *Shellegram*.

- Ads are published for complex employees, pensioners and families only. Advertiser must be owner and not agent or dealer.

- All ads must be submitted in writing stating item, price, advertiser's name and home telephone number. Forms are available at the receptionist's desk and the *Shellegram* office.

- Deadline for submitting ads is *Monday*.

- Mail ads to the *Shellegram* or bring them to Room 103, Main Office Annex.

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