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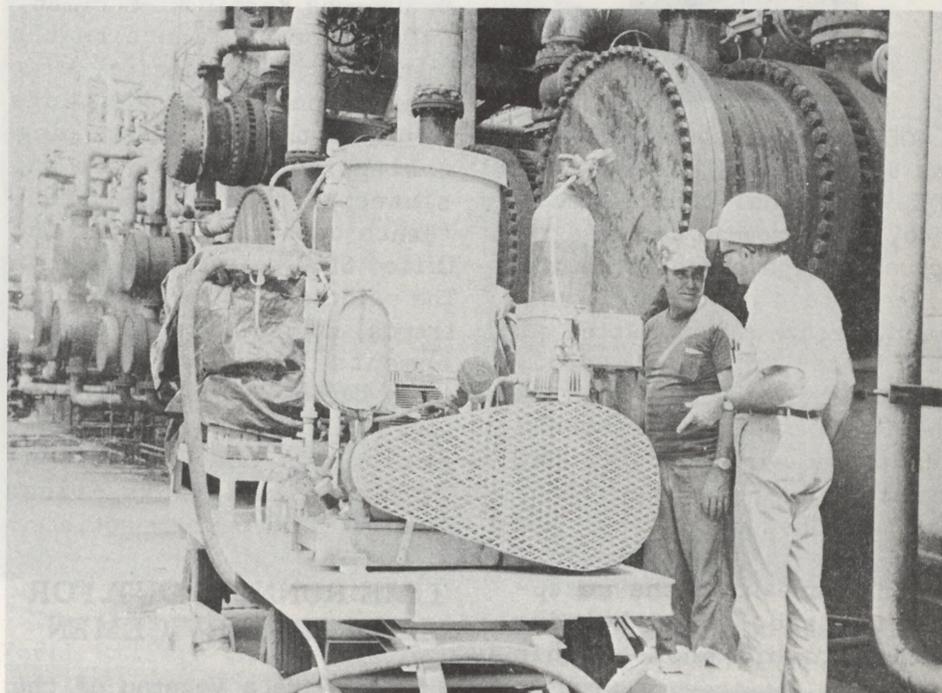
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NEW PORTABLE SAND BLASTING TRAILER IN OPERATION AT DUBBS 2



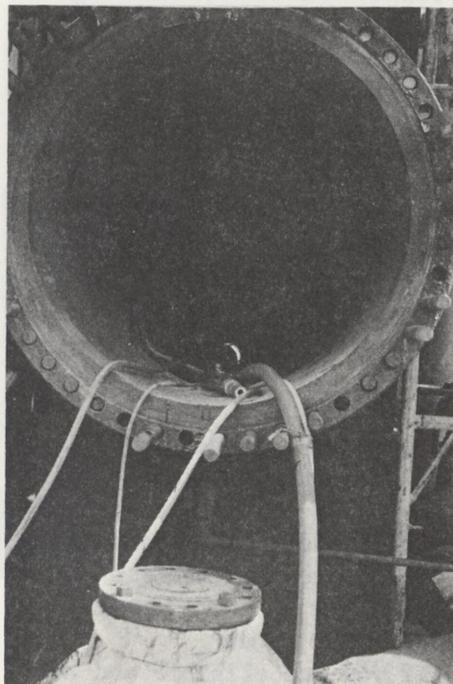
Ray Boyd, painter No. 1, and Eddie Holloway, painter No. 1, discuss the job they are doing at DU-2.



Larry F. King, paint department supervisor, discusses with Ray Boyd, painter No. 1, the various features of the portable sand blasting trailer.

Have you ever looked around and watched fellow employees do a job that you knew could be done more efficiently and just as safely? Well, one Houston Refinery employee did just that, and he came up with a design for a portable sand blasting trailer. He had seen many sand blasting jobs done which took several hours just to rig the equipment, plus the time necessary to transport all of the various pieces of equipment to the job site. He took it upon himself to come up with a design that would be portable so that it could be moved easily from one job site to another, thus saving many valuable manhours.

The portable sand blasting trailer now being used throughout the Refinery is the result of the thinking of Larry F. King, Engineering Field. The trailer was designed primarily to minimize the rigging time. Whereas, before it took at least 45 minutes to rig, now it takes only 15 minutes because all that is necessary to do the rigging is to hitch



The job site...

the trailer onto a truck and take it to the job site. This device uses the Refinery's air supply for the sand blasting but utilizes its 25.5 CFM gasoline-engine driven, air compressor to supply breathing air for the operator.



Eddie Holloway prepares to enter the job site at DU-2.

A built-in safety feature is that in the event of malfunctioning of the compressor, there is a 2300# breathing air bottle hooked into the system that will automatically cut in when the air pressure drops
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RESEARCH VOE STUDENT DEBBIE GRIFFIN



VOE student, Debbie Griffin, has been hired by MTM Research. VOE, Vocational Office Education, is a program designed to acquaint high school students with life in the business world through a combination of half a day in the classroom followed by a half a day working in an office. Debbie is currently working under the direction of Mrs. Lee Scott and Mr. Gordon Shafer. She does some filing, Xeroxing, typing, breaking the receptionist's desk and helping Gordon in his photographic lab work.

Debbie's previous job experience included working this past summer at Astroworld's El Chico restaurant and assisting with the rides.

NEW LIFE JACKET RULES EFFECTIVE AS OF OCT. 1

As the October 1 deadline drew near, confusion seemed to be mounting in regard to the new personal flotation device (PFD) regulations for recreational boats, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials.

On boats 16 feet or longer, each person on board or on skis will now be required to have access to either a Type I, II, or II (wearable) PFD. Additionally, there will have to be at least one Type IV (throwable) PFD on board.

Boats less than 16 feet long and all canoes and kayaks will not be affected by the new regulations. These still must be equipped with one Type I, II, III or IV PFD for each person on board, including skiers.

The law also requires that all life preservers used be U. S. Coast Guard approved with the approval number indicated on the PFD itself.

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MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS TO EXHIBIT FRENCH OIL SKETCHES OCTOBER 10

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, has organized an exhibition of French oil sketches from an anonymous English collector, scheduled to open at the Museum with a member's preview October 9.

Presented under the high patronage of His Excellency, M. Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet, Ambassador of France to the United States of America, this exhibition of 106 paintings is one of the most outstanding collections of art from the sixteenth through the nineteenth centuries to tour the United States in recent years. The paintings, many in antique frames, represent major developments in French art from early baroque works done under Louis XIII through the Rococo period and the Revolution. Primary emphasis is placed on eighteenth century artists,

TIME RUNNING OUT FOR MANY EX-SERVICEMEN

If you are a Veteran of the Armed Forces discharged prior to 1966, during 1966, or shortly thereafter, the time is running out for you to use your educational benefits from the Veterans Administration.

The present G.I. Bill will expire for many veterans on May 31, 1974. All persons discharged prior to May 31, 1966, will lose their educational benefits. Those discharged after that date have eight years from the date of their discharge - which still makes the time short for those discharged in 1967 and 1968.

Many veterans discharged in the years before 1966 don't realize they are still eligible. They still have approximately nine months, which gives them time to complete or at least get a good start on a study program.

If you are eligible and sincerely interested in improving your knowledge and skill, it is suggested that you immediately contact a school or the Veterans Administration.

One of the sources for information is the International Correspondence Schools. Call or write to Bob Loper, Manager, 6734 Glen Rock, Houston, Texas 77017, telephone 713-649-8784. Brochures and a personal reply will be sent immediately.

many under the influence of Rubens and Venetian painting. Included among the works in the exhibition are the recently discovered sketches by Simon Vouet for his now-lost altarpiece for St. Peter's in Rome, as well as sketches by La Hire, Parrocel, Noel Halle, Deshayes and Subleyras. In addition, a whole constellation of little-known artists, whose paintings are characterized by rapidity, boldness, spontaneity, inspiration and virtuoso brushwork, has been represented in the exhibition, which will be open for public view October 10 - November 11 in the lower galleries of the new Brown Pavilion, designed by the architect Mies van der Rohe.

Upon completion of its stay in Houston, the collection will travel to nine other museums throughout the country.

A fully illustrated catalogue, redacted by J. Patrice Marandel, Chief Curator of the Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design, will accompany the exhibition.

PORTABLE SAND BLASTING TRAILER (Continued from page 1)

below 38#, and it will maintain this pressure for 30 minutes or longer. Since it will be used primarily on unit shutdowns where the operator will be working in a confined area or enclosure, this safety feature will provide more than adequate breathing air for the operator to descend from the confined area if a malfunction of the compressor should occur.

The cost of building the portable sand blasting trailer was kept down by King's use of a sanding machine which was already a part of the Refinery's equipment. The only necessary purchases were a trailer and an air compressor. The approximate cost to build the portable sand blasting trailer was \$2000. The money it has already saved the Company and consequently all of us far exceeds the original cost.

Congratulations to Larry King and to all of the employees who actively try to help conserve energy and time - all on a budget.

RAYMOND GRANGE, RETIREE, DIES SEPT. 27



Raymond Grange, retired assistant department manager, Thermal Cracking, died in Pasadena Bayshore Hospital on September 27.

He retired in March 1956 and had previously served as stillman, Cracking Operations, until his promotion to assistant department manager, Thermal Cracking. He started his Shell career at the Wood River Refinery in January 1923.

He is survived by his widow, Leona O.; son, Dale Sutton; daughter, Mrs. B. J. McCreary; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 29, at the South Park Cemetery on Telephone Road.

HOUSTON REFINERY TREATS HARRIS COUNTY YOUTH VILLAGE TO CHARITY BOWL GAME OCTOBER 11



The Houston Refinery is again treating the Harris County Youth Village to the ninth annual Charity Bowl Game between the University of Houston and Texas Tech freshmen. The 65 tickets for the October 11 game at Pasadena Independent School District Stadium were presented by L. J. Hallmark, Manager of Personnel, to John Peters, Superintendent.

Accepting the tickets were squad members Larry Bolgiano, George Smith, Robert Schwartz and George Collins.

The San Jacinto Shrine Club is sponsoring the game to benefit the Texas Crippled Children's Institute and the Burns Institute in Galveston. Kickoff will be at 7:30 p.m.

INGRAM AND DEVEREUX RECENTLY TRANSFERRED TO HOUSTON REFINERY

Robert R. Ingram, group leader, Technical, Ciniza Refinery, has been promoted to process manager, Aromatics-West effective September 1. He joined Shell as a junior lab assistant, Research, in June 1949. After a military leave and a return to school, he was reemployed as a summer research engineer, Research.



Ingram

PROVIDENT FUND NEWS

The following is the Provident Fund valuation:

Equities Fund

September 20, 1973 - \$2,935

Shell Stock Fund

August 1973 - \$54,316

LIFE JACKETS (Continued from page 2)

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has printed a generous supply of wallet-sized cards which explain the October 1 change in regulations. These cards may be obtained free of charge by writing the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Water Safety, John H. Reagan Building, Austin, Texas 78701.



Devereux

J. E. Devereux, senior engineer, X-Pan II Offsite Group, comes to Houston from Odessa where he worked in the Maintenance Department.



"But I thought my typing errors would make your letters sound human."

FIVE EMPLOYEES ELECT TO RETIRE....



Maxine Wallace cutting into the cake presented to her upon transferring from MTM Research Petroleum Processing and Engineering to secretary, Administration, Houston Refinery. Maxine replaces Dotti West, who was recently promoted to editor of the Shellegraph.



Cassaro
Robinson
Ables



Fortson Fisher

After many long years of working at the Houston Refinery, five men decide to retire to a life of leisure and some, like Cassaro, plan to find a part-time job to fill some of the time and to earn extra funds.

Joseph A. Cassaro, general helper, Engineering Field, retired after 27 years. He and his wife, Mary N., will make

their retirement home at 902 Heights Blvd., Houston.

George W. Robinson, locomotive operator, Dispatching, retired after 26 years. He and his wife, Iva J., will make their retirement home in Seabrook.

Elgin C. Ables, operator No. 1, Alkylation, retired after 30 years. He and his wife, Carrie, will make their retirement home at 2730 Lafferty, Pasadena.

Rufus Fortson, dock helper No. 2, Dispatching, retired after 22 years. He and his wife, Mollie, will make their retirement home at 8530 Bucroft, Houston.

Claude D. Fisher, welder No. 1, Engineering Field, retired after 37 years. He and his wife, Julia A., will make their retirement home at 5011 Walker, Houston.



If 7,500,000 people left Texas, the State's park system would be equal to the national average of 30.7 acres of State park land per thousand people.

FOR SALE

1973 Plymouth Grand Coupe. 2 door H/T. Loaded. Will trade. \$3800.
Telephone: 482-6729

1973 Cadillac, Coupe DeVille. All extras including cruise control. Ten months old. White/white. Owner.
Telephone: 941-0533

1970 Ford Torino "Cobra" with 429 cubic cobra jet engine. Automatic, factory air, power, 67,000 miles, runs perfect. Real good tires, new brakes, wide oval tires. Sebring yellow with black shaker hood. \$1600.
Telephone: 481-0629

1957 Ford Fairlane 500. Rebuilt 292 V-8 engine (Thunder-

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bird). New heads, new carburetor, 4 new Goodyear polyester tires, 4 chrome rims, new Gulf battery.
Telephone: 473-6065

'56 Nomad s/w body (straight frt. axle). Good. '57 Nomad s/w (bad motor), fair. \$200 for both.
Telephone: 227-4898

Larson 15' walk-thru with top, tilt trailer with large wheels. Like new condition less motor. \$1100.
Telephone: 485-5250

Berkliner recliner. Excellent condition. \$45.
Telephone: 471-5365 after 5

'72 Yamaha 175. It runs! As is. Make offer.
Telephone: 485-5250

Registered bird-dog puppies, wormed and shots. Championship stock. \$65, male; \$50, female. Also two 16-month, \$150 each.
Telephone: 424-7782

Sears gas dryer. White. \$40. 1973 Foley's gas range and oven. Yellow. Used 6 months. \$70. Both in excellent condition.
Telephone: 482-3521

WANTED

10 hp outboard motor.
Telephone: 477-3210 after 5

PERSONAL

I want to thank all of my friends at Shell for the nice gifts given me. I will long remember our wonderful relationships. My thanks to all of you.
J. W. Wren