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EVERETT WILLIAMS AND PASADENA FIRE DEPARTMENT FEATURED ON TV SHOW



Chief Williams and the Pride of Pasadena-- the latest in firefighting equipment.

Everett Williams, the "Eyes of Texas" are upon you.

Newly elected Chief of the Pasadena Volunteer Fire Department, Everett Williams, and some of the more than 100 firemen will be featured on Channel 2's "Eyes of Texas" program tomorrow evening.

F. J. SWEENEY TO RETIRE FEBRUARY 1, J. MITCHELL NAMED TO SUCCEED HIM



Sweeney

F. J. Sweeney, Operations Foreman in Lube B, has elected to retire on February 1 after more than 37 years of service.

J. Mitchell, an Operator No. 1 in Lube B, is being appointed Operations Foreman, effective January 17, replacing Sweeney.

Forrest Sweeney began working here as a Laborer in 1937. He has served as Shift Foreman and Operations Foreman at Lube B and Refinery Supervisor in the Engineering Field Department.

Jack Mitchell joined Shell in June 1947 in the Treating Department. He has been in Lube B since August 1963.



Mitchell

A large Shell contingent is active in the department and many have participated for over 20 years. Along with Williams, who has been in the department for 34 years, there are three refinery employees active in the department; they are L. L. Hay, J. W. Mitchell (District Chief) and T. C. Cardwell. Four men who have retired from the department with more than 20 years of service are P. H. Ulmer, C. F. Spraggins, W. O. Pinkston and M. L. Roller. All but Roller are retired from Shell.

Chemical Plant employees who are active include W. C. Anderson, Wayne Berrier, C. V. Ferguson, W. L. Neal, Jr., Leroy Panzer, Sr., and A. G. Williams, J. C. Chambers retired as a volunteer fireman after more than 20 years of service.

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L. N. HARLING ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT, COOK, GRIFFITH INVOLVED IN MOVES



Harling

L. N. Harling, Operations Foreman in Thermal Cracking, has elected to retire March 1 with 38 years of company service.

K. H. Cook, Operations Foreman in Distilling, will replace Harling.

E. L. Griffith, Operator No. 1, Distilling, will replace Cook as Operations Foreman.

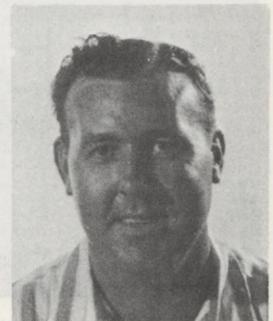
Lou Harling began his career in 1934 in the Engineering Field Department. He became a Shift Foreman in 1950 and moved to Operations Foreman in 1966.

Ken Cook started working as a General Helper in Cracking in 1946. After different assignments, he became an Operations Foreman in Distilling in 1972.

"Griff" Griffith joined Shell in 1956 as a Laborer in Engineering Field. He later worked as a General Helper in Distilling and served in other jobs before his latest assignment.



Cook



Griffith

"THE EYES OF TEXAS ARE UPON YOU"--

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Two Chemical Plant employees serve as Fire Chiefs in their home towns. Odus Chappell is the head of the Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department and Jack Oliphant is Chief of the LaPorte department.

At his election by fellow firemen to the top position last month, Everett assumed the leadership of the largest volunteer fire department in Texas. His department has five stations, another under construction and covers all of the Pasadena area from the Ship Channel to the Clear Lake area.

Most of the volunteer firemen work at local industries on rotating shifts and they are on standby to answer fire alarms whenever they are away from their jobs.

Not only did the department fight 830 fires last year when Everett served as assistant chief, but they also handled parking at all of Pasadena's high school football games and helped other fire departments in fighting fires whenever they were called.

Everett, a Cargo Inspector, Dispatching Department, says he joined the fire department because he had a lot of friends who belonged and he thought he could help.

"I was drafted near the end of World War II and I only served a short while, but you know what I did? I was a firefighting instructor at the Naval Training Center in San Diego," he said.

Born and raised in Pasadena, Everett has served as captain, lieutenant, district chief and was assistant chief for the past two years. From 1947-55 he served on the Pasadena City Council as well.

Everett received his firefighting training at the Texas A&M firefighting school many years ago and sees to it that his department sends firemen each year. He has also taken a 54-hour course in municipal fire department administration at the University of Houston.

He is past president of the Sam Houston Water Utilities Association covering 4 counties.

A member of the Board of Deacons at South Main Baptist Church, Everett was presented the Fireman of the Year award in 1972 by the American Legion. Nominations were made by firemen.

"I try to keep busy. You know my family and I have lived at Fire Station Number 3 for the past 15 years. When our oldest daughter was going off to college, we decided to move there so we could afford to send all



The 770-foot Olympic Gate, one of the largest ships to come to our docks, arrived early this week with a full load of crude. The ship was brought into the slip bow first because it could not be turned in the shallow Ship Channel with a full load.

our kids through college. It just happened that the department needed someone to live there to take care of the station, wash fire engines, mow the grass and answer the phone 24 hours a day," Everett said.

"I've been involved in the department so long that these activities are just part of our family life now," he added. "Even my wife has spent some time answering the phone at the station."

Now that all four Williams children have either graduated or worked toward degrees at Baylor, the Williams will be moving to an apartment, but the fire department will still be a major part of their lives. As chief, Everett will handle administrative duties from his new office in the new Police and Courts Building.

"I wish you could see this building, it will be the show place of the city and includes facilities for the Police, including a jail, offices for the Fire Chief, Fire Marshall, Fire Dispatcher and underground Civil Defense headquarters," he said.

Everett will move into his new office next month to handle administrative duties from there. He says his main project will be to recruit more firemen so they can have enough to man the new \$200,000 station when it is built.

GROUP COMPANY SUCCESSFUL OFFSHORE IN DYNAMIC POSITIONING OF DRILL SHIP

Dynamic positioning of a drilling ship--whereby the vessel is held in position over the hole without the use of anchors--has been used for the first time in drilling for oil in deep water by a Royal Dutch/Shell Group company.

The method and systems used were pioneered in the United States by Shell Oil Company. Its work with dynamic positioning began in 1961, when Shell participated in the development of a manually controlled drillship. In the same year, Shell developed the first automatically controlled dynamic positioning system for the core drilling vessel, "Eureka."

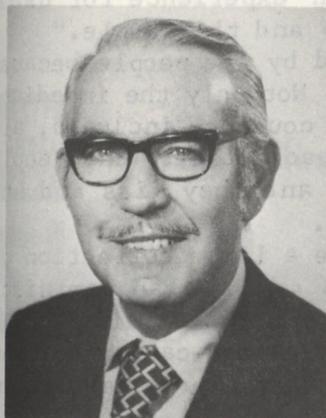
The concepts pioneered in the Eureka were used in building the drillship, "Sedco 445," which recently drilled a hole to 5,893 feet below the seabed off northwest Borneo in a water depth of more than 1,300 feet.

Dynamic positioning enables the drillship to hold its position despite wind, waves, and tides. Eleven sideways-acting propellers and two main screws are controlled by two computers in keeping the ship over the hole while drilling takes place.

Both computers receive data continuously from position and wind-sensing instruments, but only one computer at a time issues commands to the propellers. Should one fail, control switches automatically to the other.

"Sedco 445," now on long-term charter to Shell Deep Water Drilling Company, Limited, is the first ship of its type. It was built at a cost of nearly \$16 million and is provided with underwater equipment to work in water depths of more than 2,000 feet. The ship is 445 feet long, with a displacement of 17,150 short tons and a service speed of 14 knots.

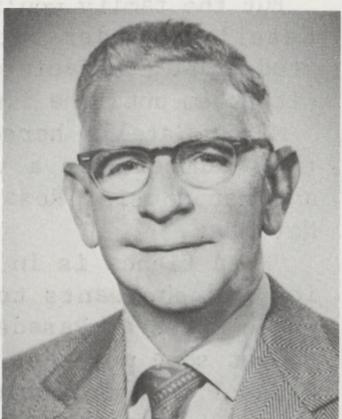
SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES



35 Years
H. C. Blaylock
Dispatching

35 Years
W. E. Jensen
Refinery Lab

30 Years
C. T. Burns
Eng. Field



30 Years
B. T. Ferguson
Refinery Lab

30 Years
C. B. Nolan
Aromatics-West

25 Years
H. Brodhead, III
Tech



25 Years
W. Conley
Eng. Field

25 Years
J. S. Laramore
Lube B

25 Years
P. V. Womack
Lube A

Oil Cracking

GULF FISHING PROVIDES FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT SAYS CAROL LANE

Fish

If all that means to you is a cold eye staring up from a bed of ice at the supermarket or a specialty dish at your favorite restaurant, you're missing out on a fun-filled family vacation, says travel expert Carol Lane.

"Too many women think of fishing--especially offshore fishing--as a man's sport," explains Miss Lane, women's travel director for Shell. "But the people who should know, the captains of charter fishing boats, tell me that more and more family groups are discovering the excitement of sports-fishing."

"For the family vacationing in the south there is a variety of excellent jumping off spots for an offshore fishing trip," Miss Lane explains. "Among the best are Grand Isle and Empire, Louisiana, and Galveston and Freeport, Texas. At most ports, experienced captains take out charter parties. The boats themselves range from small charter craft just right for a family of four, to the impressive party boats for 50 anglers.

"On some boats fishermen tote their own gear and box lunches, while on others the skipper supplies everything from bait and tackle to soft drinks and sandwiches.

"But whatever kind of boat you prefer, your captain will probably head for one of the

offshore oil platforms," Miss Lane says.

Fishermen, both sport and commercial, congregate around the giant offshore platforms because that's where the fish are. "The platforms--'rigs' as sportsfishermen call them--actually form artificial reefs," she explains. "The algae and barnacles which encrust every inch of the giant spider-like steel legs serve as food for schools of small fish. Larger fish come to feed on the smaller ones and soon there is a teeming community of marine life.

"Grownups may want to tackle a fighting bonito or king mackerel," says Miss Lane. "And if there's a super fisherman in the family, it will be a red-letter day if he hooks a giant marlin, tarpon or sailfish. These oceanic game fish began to appear in the Gulf when the drilling platforms were first lowered into the water."

To help make your vacation a success, Miss Lane also offers a wide variety of travel, camping, and fashion booklets, which give details about what clothes to pack and wear on vacation and advice on how to plan a trip to insure maximum enjoyment with minimum money and trouble.

You can obtain a copy of these booklets free of charge by writing to Miss Carol Lane, Shell Oil Company, P. O. Box 2463, Houston, Texas 77001.

WHITES SPEND CHRISTMAS WITH "ADOPTED DAUGHTER'S" FAMILY IN GUATEMALA



Edreta, Maria Estella and younger brother, Mario, and Cliff in a tropical garden.

In a gesture of neighborly friendship, Cliff White and his wife, Edreta, invited a young Guatemalan girl to stay in their home while she was studying at San Jacinto College some two years ago. (Cliff is a Sr. Safety Inspector.)

"She stayed with us a little more than a year and then left last January to return home and begin her career in business," Cliff said. "At that time we promised Maria Estella that we would come to Guatemala City this Christmas to visit her and her family."

So, on December 22, Cliff and Edreta boarded a plane to begin seven days with the most gracious Barilla family at their home in Guatemala. There, they met the whole family including Maria Estella's parents, brothers, uncles aunts, and cousins.

"We drove with the family to some Indian villages and to a resort called, Likin, on

the Pacific near the port of San Jose," Cliff said. "It was quite an experience for us as we enjoyed the scenery and the people."

"I was most impressed by the people because of their family unity. Not only the immediate family, but uncles and cousins, included, all expressed concern for each other. The people are very affectionate and they kiss and hug frequently," he added.

Cliff and Edreta have a large collection of pictures of their trip so they can reminisce about Maria Estella and her family. The Barillas also gave them a hand-carved octagonal table and a piece of pottery to remember them by.

But the family won't be forgotten, for Maria Estella's older brother, Arturo, who is a student at San Jacinto College now, is staying with them until he finds an apartment.

Maria Estella herself will join the Whites this summer for a vacation in the Rockies and her cousin, Rosa Blanca, will visit next November.

"Rosa Blanca is in her first year of teaching and she wants to visit my wife's second grade class at Pasadena's Garfield elementary to get some pointers," Cliff said.

"As I said before everyone was so gracious to us. Even the uncle who is a doctor took time off from his busy schedule to see us off at the airport," Cliff said.

He added that he and Edreta want to go back again someday and they have a standing invitation from the Barillas.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

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Ethan Allen Early American chest of drawers.
Telephone: WA 6-8748

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Lot--80x120, situated half-way between 2 large lakes at Hilltop Lakes, Normangee, Texas.
Telephone: 673-1130

42" attic fan, \$25.
Telephone: 472-3018

Opera tickets, "Mice and Men", 2-\$10 orchestra for Friday 23 February, \$15.
Telephone: 333-2750

Quail--day old, 25¢, 5 week old, 60¢. 100# droppings, \$5.
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Lovely 3-1½-1 house, over 1,740 sq. ft., large living room with fireplace, den, laundry room, many closets, large kitchen, built-in china cabinet, pantry, built in stove. Arched door ways in living & dining room, carpet & drapes, 3 spanish chandeliers, central heat & air, large

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Telephone: 477-3250

72 blue CL 350 Honda, sissy bar, pad, & helmets included. \$668 or \$225 and take up \$36 a month payments. Still owe, \$443.
Telephone: 479-3736

35 mm Argus C-4 camera with flash, gadget bag, filters, \$30.
Telephone: 645-2829

FOR RENT

2 story, 3 bedroom house on 2/3 acre of land, large shade trees, \$200 a month, plus \$50 deposit.
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To good home, darling puppies, poodle and schnauzer mix breed. Cute as can be. 8 weeks old.
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Nice dog looking for new home with caring loving owner and companion dog in ¼ acre fenced yard.
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