



In the first photo, Mac McMillen, a Maintenance South foreman, holds a carbon dioxide blasting cell being used to remove coke from the Pyrolysis-III fractionator during the current OP-III turnaround. The coke was



produced as a waste product by the fractionator's extensive heat. At right, Roy Webb, left, and Dennis Brown, also Maintenance South foremen, examine coke deposits on a tray removed from the fractionator.

## *OP-III turnaround is a big job*

Everybody knows computers help us in a hundred different ways every day. Right? Well then, it should come as no surprise to learn our electronic friends have helped the folks at Op-III in

carrying out a major turnaround. It's the first turnaround in the plant's two years of existence, and is expected to be completed later this month.

Charlie Mosley, senior operating

specialist, Olefins, and shutdown coordinator, explained, "This project has been one of the largest turnarounds ever carried out at the Complex because all three OP-III departments (BD-HT-III, Pyrolysis-III and Light Olefins-III) are involved. You have to carry out turnaround operations throughout OP-III simultaneously because the departments depend on each other.

"There are so many activities going on at once in a big project like this that it's difficult to keep track of them all. But if you have all the different segments of the turnaround in a computer, it really helps. The computer prints out a job schedule and levels of manpower required to execute the shutdown. During the shutdown, the computer compares the forecast job progress and manpower usage with actual. That's important when you're talking about 200,000 man-hours to complete a project."

But the use of computers was only one of many elements involved in planning the turnaround. Norm Newton, main-

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### *Please Give*

## **March-April blood drive nears**

What if the Complex held a blood drive and nobody gave?

Then, the many Harris County Shell employees and members of their families—maybe yours—who will need blood for emergencies would have to pay substantially more for the precious "gift of life" they receive.

But because 25 percent of the employees here and at other Shell locations gave—and gave generously—last year, the company's employees in the county were able to receive over 150 units of blood in 1980 without having to bear excessive cost burdens. The Shell Employees Group Blood Program

provided this benefit to families of company non-donors as well as donors.

However, if those cost benefits are to continue, we need your help again. Please sign up when you receive donor cards at your home for the March-April blood drive and return them as soon as possible to Room 145, North Administration building. If you misplace your card or have any questions, call Extension 6552.

After cards are received, appointments to give blood will be scheduled March 24-27 at DPMC North and March 30-April 2 at DPMC South.

Please give!

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**Martina Martinez, left, and John Kiser, both operators, OP-III, inspect instrument readings.**

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tenance manager, Olefins, explained, "Several months ago, a team was formed to plan and execute the shutdown. Team members represented the shutdown contractor as well as Operating, Engineering, Maintenance and Purchasing Departments. Safety, Environmental and Industrial Hygiene Departments were also consulted extensively throughout the planning effort. This team did an excellent job of planning this large shutdown; their efforts contributed significantly to the smooth way the shutdown was executed."

Among major projects carried out during the shutdown was the replacement of a huge refrigeration Light Olefins core. The core condenses olefins gases into liquids so they can be separated from each other in fractionation columns. Also installed was a Pyrolysis steam generating system designed to use heat more efficiently to produce steam.

The only surprise that came during the shutdown was the discovery in the Pyrolysis fractionator of large quantities of coke—a waste product created by extensive heat used to separate heavy and light oils from light olefins gases. But even this pushed the shutdown only a few days behind schedule.

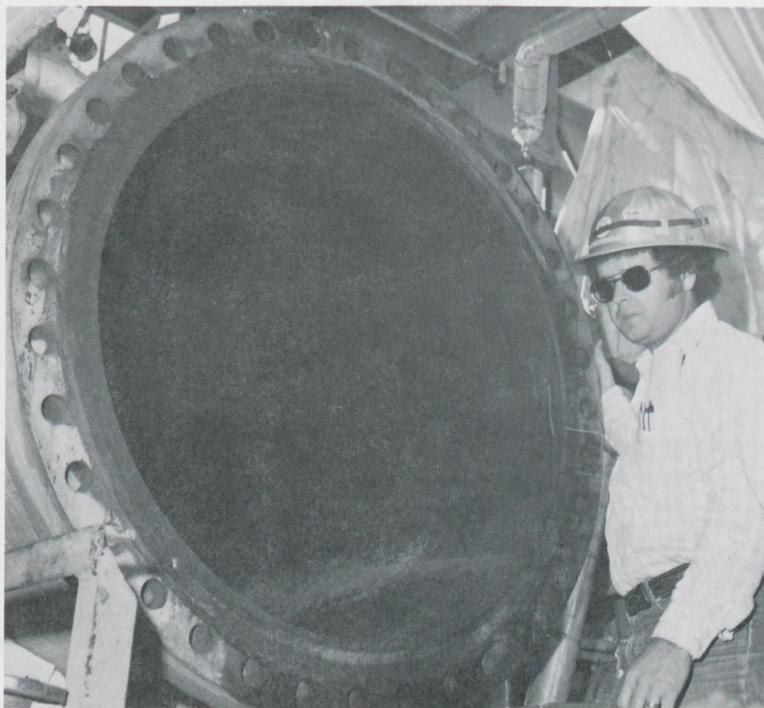
While work remains to be done at Pyrolysis and Light Olefins, shutdown procedures have been completed at BD-HT.

Dick Kemball-Cook, operations superintendent for Olefins, said, "In addition to the high quality of hard work that everyone concerned has put into this shutdown, I've also been impressed by everyone's attention to safety.

"With so many things going on, it might be easy to let attention to safety slip a little, but that hasn't been the case. We're not out of the woods yet—there is still much to be done. But I'm optimistic the dedication will continue, and we'll complete this project with its excellent safety record intact."



**Wallace Odom, operator, OP-III, activates a pump that controls the level of waste water being sent to effluent treaters during the shutdown.**



**Walter Harbuck, operations coordinator, Pyrolysis-III, takes a look at work being done on a gas oil transfer line.**

## Five employees join retirees' ranks

L.H. Connevy, 61, engineering assistant, Project Engineering, retired March 1. Ending 25 years of company service, he will reside at 1901 Jane Drive, Pasadena, with his wife, Bobbie.

R.E. Ford, 62, staff chemist, DPMC North Lab, also retired March 1—after 33 years of service. He will live at 3030 Underwood, Houston, with his wife,

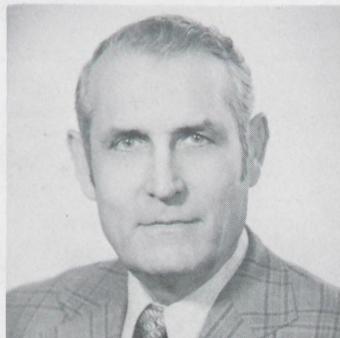
Eileen.

Bill Gloger, 64, maintenance manager, Maintenance South, retired after 45 years of service. He will live at 402 Llano, Pasadena, with his wife, Chloe.

E.E. Kulhanek, 57, operations supervisor, Aromatics West, retired

after 35 years of service. He will live at 1408 Orrel, Pasadena, with his wife, Lorine.

Victor E. Smith, 63, engineering foreman, Maintenance North, ended 36 years of service. He will reside at 4746 Connorvale Road, Houston, with his wife, Gladys.



Ford



Gloger



Kulhanek



Smith

### Attention Chili Lovers:

## Saturday's cookoff is the place to be

If you like good, old-fashioned chili, the Deer Park Chamber of Commerce's new building at 500 West 13th is the place to be Saturday—for the Shell clubs' chili cookoff.

While judges will award trophies to the top three winners, you'll get a chance for yourself to decide who's a winner by sampling chili from each pot. With 15 teams expected to participate, you can put away a lot of chili for an admission price of only \$2 per adult and \$1 for children under 12.

Judging will begin at 4 p.m., with samples being served to the public most of the afternoon. You'd better get there early—there will probably be a lot of competition for these mouth-watering concoctions.

But the cookoff won't be the only event featured that day. Here's a list of the other things that also will be going on at the chamber's building Saturday:

- Jalapeno contest, 1 p.m.
- Beer drinking contest 1:30 p.m.
- \$1.98 beauty contest, 2 p.m.

—Mud wrestling (men's and women's competition), 2 p.m.

—Arm wrestling (men's and women's competition), 2 p.m.

—Whistling contest, 2:30 p.m.

—Square dancing entertainment, 3 p.m.

—Belly bumping contest, 4 p.m.

—Face making contest, 4:30 p.m.

—Dancing, 6 p.m.

—Dance contest, 7 p.m.



## Painters North safety party

Attending the Painters North safety party were Sandra and Steve Rouse (left photo), Lee and Debbie Clark and Wayne and

Melinda Hines.

# Classifieds

## FOR SALE

1977 Chrysler New Yorker. Loaded, very nice. 43,000 miles. \$3,000. Call 479-2184 after 3:30 p.m.

1976 Pinto Squire Station Wagon. Good condition. Interior and body excellent. Good gas mileage, four cylinder. \$1,950. Call 474-5214.

1975 Buick Electra LTD. AM-FM, all power, tilt, cruise, air, 45,000 miles. \$2,195. Call 479-7717 after 4:30 p.m.

318 Plymouth engine. \$50. Call 944-3795.

One boy's and one girl's 26-inch bikes. Call 471-4420 after 5 p.m.

Briggs & Stratton powered 3 HP mower. \$50. 2 HP gas edger. \$65. Also have others. Two mobile home tires on rims. \$35 each—both for \$60. Call 479-1456 after 4:30 p.m. and anytime on weekend.

Three-bedroom, one-bath home. 20x20 den with wet bar, central air and heat, built-ins, 75x100 lot, many extras. \$51,500. Call 472-1973.

Chrome etegere stand. Four shelves. \$60. Call 487-8756 after 4 p.m.

French Provincial bedroom furniture. No bed, seven pieces. \$500. Will take best offer. Call 778-0764 after 5 p.m.

Mediterranean couch. Six-foot-long. \$25. Mediterranean end table. \$20. Sell together or separate. Call 487-0887.

One small couch. One year old, like new. Make offer. Call 479-2948.

One FINDER Jazz Master Guitar with FINDER 175-watt Pro reverb amp. Like new. \$475 Call 479-2948.

Six space burial lots. Close in, beautiful Woodlawn Cemetary. Choice

location. Owner must sell. Call 861-6582 after 5 p.m. Greatly reduced.

## FOR RENT

Four-bedroom house. Fairmont Park. \$500 per month. \$300 deposit. Call 487-8440.

## PERSONAL

Chloe and I wish to thank all of my fellow employees for the retirement party. I leave Shell with many happy memories and look forward to a very active retirement. We will remain in Pasadena. Thanks again.

—Bill and Chloe Gloger

We wish to express our deepest appreciation for the many expressions of comfort, help and condolences following the loss of our loved one.

—The Hallmark Family

May I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for the wonderful retirement party you had for me. The rifle, scope and money were great. The magnificent scroll hangs in a prominent place in our home. I will treasure it always. I'm very thankful for having known and worked with you these many years.

—Doc and Li Pate

Thanks to my many friends at the Shell Deer Park Complex for the nice retirement party and for the generous gifts. The power tools fit right into my retirement plans. I will treasure all the friendships made during my years at Shell Deer Park and hope to keep in touch.

—Bob Ford

Thanks to each one that had a part in my retirement party, for the nice gifts and scroll, and your friendship. Come by to see us.

—Earl and Mildred Childs

## ANNOUNCEMENT

John C Schumacker, Docks, retired Feb. 1. If you're interested in attending his retirement party at 2 p.m., March 24, Marine Operations Conference Room, please sign one of the invitational letters now circulating.



## A whopper

Proving without a doubt that everything grows bigger in Texas, Bill Glasscock, senior auditor, Auditing, shows off the giant turnip that grew in the backyard of his Houston home. Measuring an incredible 7¼ pounds, it has a diameter of 23 inches.

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