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Leonard McNeill of the Executive Club and L. J. Hallmark, Chairman Ten and Over Party committee, discuss plans for the upcoming party on October 23. The main ballroom where most of the festivities occur is being remodeled with new paneling and antique mirrors in preparation for the event.

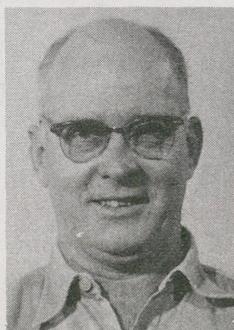
FIRST ENTRY WINS FIRST PLACE FOR E. L. BANG IN RECENT GEM SHOW

When E. L. Bang, a beginning gem and mineral enthusiast decided to display a case of his work in the recent Gem and Mineral Show, he didn't dare dream that he would win.

"You know whenever you belong to a club, you do your part to support its activities. So, I entered a case of 30 pieces just to participate. I am just a novice and if I keep working, maybe some day I may qualify to enter in the Master's class," he said.

Bang won the first place blue ribbon in the general lapidary and faceted stones class. He had to search his home to work up the case for display because he usually gives his best pieces away.

"Somebody always asks me for my better stones, so I give the best ones away," he said.



The pieces he entered Bang
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Pledges Exceed \$43,000 Goal HOUSTON REFINERY EMPLOYEES GO OVER THE TOP FOR UNITED FUND

As solicitation was drawing to a close Thursday, Houston Refinery employees had pledged \$44,705.00 as of 12 noon with 94% of the pledge cards submitted.

Although solicitation was officially over Wednesday, some pledge cards have still to be returned to the United Fund committee. Cards may be sent to Dick Murray, Treasury, General Accounting, Room 237, Main Building.

The average contribution per person was \$27.60.

Bob Vanston and Bill Loveless, United Fund Co-Chairmen, who have been working on the campaign all week, said, "The successful campaign proves that the people who work at the Houston Refinery recognize the need of the community and again have responded to that need."



Charles McBrayer, Executive Director of the DePelchin Faith Home spoke to Engineering Field employees during the official campaign kickoff Monday morning. On the platform were Henry Krebs, Bill Loveless, Bob Vanston, John Pratt, and Ed Watson. Donald West and Jack Douglass, not pictured, also participated.

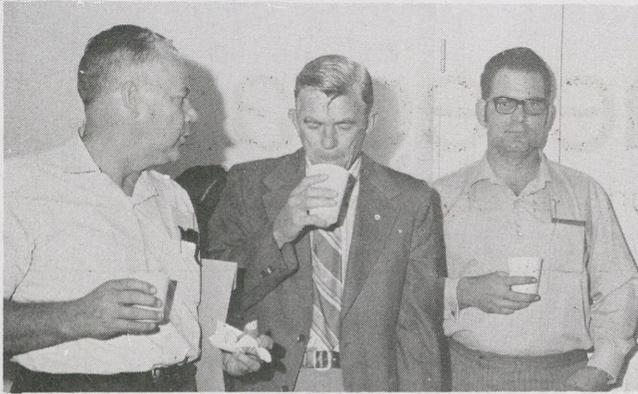
MAKE YOUR YOUNGSTER DRINK MILK, GET SHELL NFL FOOTBALL GLASSES

Do you want a sure-fire method to ensure that your youngster will drink his milk? Or do you want to toast the Houston Oilers, Dallas Cowboys, New Orleans Saints, Minnesota Vikings, St. Louis Cardinals, Cleveland Browns, Chicago Bears or the Green Bay Packers?

Shell dealers have the answer to all these questions: an 11-ounce "Roly-Poly" National Football League Glass. Pictured on one side is the NFL emblem and on the other is a team's official insignia.

Beginning September 17, participating Shell dealers, including those close to the

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Solicitors were treated to coffee when they picked up pledge cards to be distribu-



ted to departmental employees during the successful United Fund drive this week.

GET SHELL NFL FOOTBALL GLASSES--
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Refinery, have been giving these glasses free to customers with purchase of 8 gallons or with fill up of gasoline. Offer varies.

The test promotion will be conducted in most areas of the Central Marketing Region districts including Houston, Dallas, St. Louis, Cleveland, Milwaukee, North & South Chicago and New Orleans.

Also from participating dealers is a 12x20 inch NFL Football Tray given free with an oil and oil filter change during Shell's NFL Football promotion which ends November 25. The ebony-colored tray, made from Shell Chemical's polystyrene, is a perfect complement to Shell's "Sundown" colored NFL glasses.

If you live in Houston, participating Shell dealers will give the Houston Oilers glass; in Chicago, the Bears. However, you can obtain a coupon from your participating Shell dealer to purchase a complete set of glasses for all 13 members of either the American or National Conferences. Also with the same coupon you can purchase a set of 8 glasses of your favorite NFC or AFC team.



W. A. Gabig, Manager, Shell Chemical Houston Plant, will discuss social and ecological problems related to the petrochemical industry on an upcoming "Viewpoint" program on Channel 8 TV.

The panel discussion will be shown at 6:30 p.m., Friday, October 1. With Gabig on the panel to discuss the contribution of the petrochemical industry to the Houston area will be a representative from Union Carbide and a professor of chemical engineering from the University of Houston.

Shell is now ready to begin work to re-establish production from Platform "B" in Bay Marchand. The platform, which was destroyed as a result of a fire that lasted about four and a half months, will be replaced and the wells returned to production.

The last burning well on the platform was put out with high pressure water on April 12 after ten other burning wells were extinguished via the relief well method. The relief well method was used by the Company to keep the amount of oil that could spill into the water to an absolute minimum. On April 16, the last burning well was capped from the surface.

Now that the removal of debris and salvage operations are finished, the only things that remain of the original platform and wells are the 23 well conductors with trees on top. All other portions of Platform "B" have been removed from the site in preparation for the installation of the new platform that will become Platform "D" in Bay Marchand.

Platform "D" will be installed over the existing well conductors. From that point on, the wellheads that are now secured at, or near, water level will be elevated to the usual production height of about 45 feet above the water. Even if the Christmas trees at water level are broken, the drilling and mud in the wells will still preclude the wells from flowing.

Because the fire interrupted the drilling program on Platform "B", a second platform will be erected about 200 feet from Platform "D". The second platform, designated "C", will be used to drill up to 18 wells if necessary.

FREE

...For loyal Oiler football fans who buy 8 gallons or more of Shell gasoline at participating Shell Stations*

Oiler emblem on one side.

Official NFL insignia on the other side.

Handsome / smoke-tinted glass.

*offer may vary at participating stations.

BANG CONSIDERS HIMSELF NOVICE-- (Continued from Page 1.)

were worked up over the last two years. He has been interested in the hobby for about three years.

The Gem and Mineral Society has an attraction for people in many different walks of life according to Bang. Many fields are touched by those in the society, some are rockhounds, others are lapidary artists, and others are paleontologists.

"There are many different areas that fit different personalities," he said. "For instance, I faceted a stone that was pretty to me as it was. Another society member saw it and kept asking me what I was going to do with it. She felt it should be mounted because her interest was in mounting and casting," he said.

Bang spends about eight hours on each stone in his own workshop. "I'm still slow, but I hope to be able to finish stones within 2-3 hours when I work up to the master's class some day," he said.

Bang is an Instrument Man #1, Engineering Field, assigned to the Research Shops.

ENTRIES MUST BE IN BY NOVEMBER 1 FOR '73 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

Proud parents should start prodding your high school aged children who will graduate in '73 to enter the Shell Companies Foundation Scholarship competition by November 1.

Completed entry forms for 50 college scholarships must be received by the Foundation in Houston by November 1.

The competition is open to children of regular full-time employees and retired or deceased employees of Shell Oil Company, Shell Chemical Company, Shell Development Company, Shell Canadian Exploration Company and Shell Pipe Line Corporation.

Eligible children who expect to complete high school and enter college in 1973 should see their high school principals or guidance counselors immediately after the beginning of high school in September 1971, and arrange to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test which will be given at high schools on either October 19 or October 23, 1971.

Booklets describing the Competition and 1973 Entry Forms may be obtained from G. L. Boatright, Employee Relations, Room 146, Main Building.

Completed entry forms should be sent to: Scholarship Competition, Shell Companies Foundation, Incorporated, One Shell Plaza, P. O. Box 2463, Houston, Texas 77001

SHELLEGRAPH

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Mrs. Josie Ochoa--Editor



Workmen recently installed a regeneration compressor at the Mol Sieve or Normal Paraffin unit replacing "Big John" the rental compressor. The Ingersoll Rand compressor, powered by a 450 hp. 400 rpm Westinghouse motor (at right), rated at 1850 ICFM, will be in nitrogen service when it becomes operable in October. The compressor will take nitrogen from approximately 55 psi and discharge it at approximately 100 psi.

BETTER DRIVING HABITS IMPROVE AIR SAYS NEW SHELL 'HOW TO' BOOKLET

You, as a motorist, can do a great deal to improve air quality, and save gasoline—and money—in the bargain. So states a new "how to" pamphlet titled "Drive for Clean Air" prepared from tips by Shell Oil Company automotive engineers.

The Shell experts point out that the more completely an automobile engine burns fuel, the less pollution it produces. Unburned gasoline, on the other hand, leads to increased emissions.

Three ways to save gasoline and cut emissions, according to the experts, are for motorists to drive an automobile with a well-tuned engine, use unleaded gasoline if possible, and improve their driving habits.

Motorists should recognize the signs of an ill-tuned engine and correct the problem as soon as possible, the experts say. Among the signs are visible exhaust smoke, rough running, increased oil consumption, poor or uneven acceleration, a noticeable drop in mileage, hard starting and frequent stalling.

Any one of these signs can point to a malfunction that can cause high emissions and cost the motorist money. An overly rich carburetor setting, for example, can increase carbon monoxide by 50 percent. One fouled spark plug can boost hydrocarbon emissions by 10 to 15 times.

In addition to a finely-tuned engine, a change in driving habits may further enhance both the atmosphere and the driver's pocketbook. Avoiding jack rabbit starts, for example, can save gasoline and cut emissions considerably.

The experts recommend the use of unleaded gasoline if the automobile can run on it. The removal of lead from gasoline reduces the emission of lead particulates into the atmosphere and may also lower hydrocarbon emissions.

The "Drive For Clean Air" pamphlet is now available to the public at no cost from Shell Oil Company, Public Affairs, Room 1541, One Shell Plaza, Houston, Texas 77002.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

7 ft. standard size pool table, all equipment, 1 year old, \$70.
Telephone: 926-0960

Cornet, excellent condition, good practice horn, Olds Ambassador, \$80.
Telephone: 424-7698

Shetland mare with 4 month old colt, bridle, saddle, \$100.
Telephone: GL 3-7741

6 grave spaces in newer section of Forest Park--Lawndale. \$895 cash.
Telephone: 473-0365

Singer sewing machine, cabinet model, used very seldom, approx. 3-4 times. Like new, needs oiling from lack of use. \$150 or reasonable offer.
Telephone: 477-1024

Two 3/4 ton Ford truck wheels (split rim) tubes, liners and 7.50x16-8 ply recapable tires, \$50.
Telephone: GR 2-3018

1971 Honda CB 350. Low mileage, excellent condition, \$750.
Telephone: 946-2759

1965 Dodge 1/2 ton styleline pickup. Excellent condition.
Telephone: 645-2829 or 944-3040

Early American rocking chair, all wood, like new, \$15.
Telephone: 424-1121

Sears Belt Massager, \$45. Sears Triple-Action cycle, \$40.
Telephone: 944-6556

Two horse tandem trailer, new tires, new paint, \$550.
Telephone: 472-5296

WANTED TO RENT

House in Deer Park School District--Consider anything--or would make temporary swap (two-three years) or nice home on one acre 25 miles from Shell for comparable home in Deer Park School District.
Telephone: 578-2807 or 472-0826

FREE

Pure chocolate point Siamese kittens.
Telephone: 946-5942

FOUND AND STILL UNCLAIMED

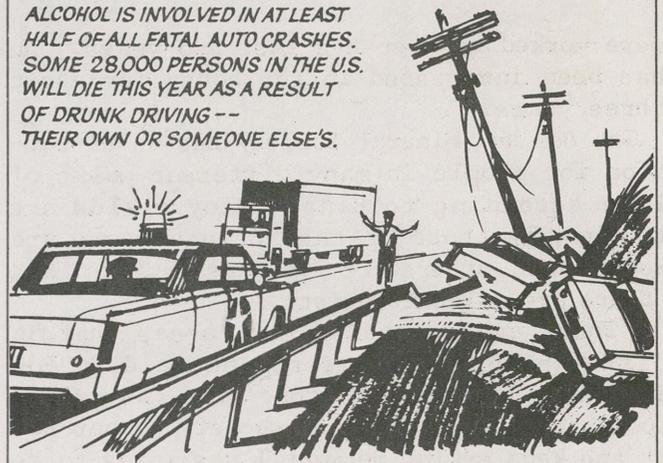
Pair of men's glasses with gray frames. Claim in Shellegraph Office.

Oil Fact

The average U. S. motorist has a choice of 26 different, competing brands of gasoline sold in his state.

THE SAFE DRIVER

ALCOHOL IS INVOLVED IN AT LEAST HALF OF ALL FATAL AUTO CRASHES. SOME 28,000 PERSONS IN THE U.S. WILL DIE THIS YEAR AS A RESULT OF DRUNK DRIVING -- THEIR OWN OR SOMEONE ELSE'S.



THE SAFE DRIVER WON'T DRINK AND DRIVE. AND HE KNOWS THAT CONTRARY TO BELIEF, COFFEE, TEA OR OTHER STIMULANTS CANNOT COUNTERACT THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL!



DRINKING WHEN YOU'VE BEEN TAKING MEDICINE ALSO CAN BE DANGEROUS. WHEN TAKEN IN COMBINATION, THE EFFECTS OF BOTH CAN BE AMPLIFIED GREATLY!

PREPARED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS COMMUNICATORS IN COOPERATION WITH THE HIGHWAY USERS FEDERATION

SHELL NEWS FEATURES AD CAMPAIGN, EMPLOYEES WHO BECAME TV ACTORS

A behind-the-scenes look at Shell's institutional advertising campaign--with a glimpse at some of the Shell employees involved in helping carry out its strict realism theme--is highlighted in the upcoming issue of Shell News.

The overall campaign focuses on the Company's involvement in social and environmental problems of the 1970's. The Shell employees appear in the commercials to discuss their personal involvement in problems of their communities.

All of the TV action was shot on location to preserve realism. The employees including E. Dawson, Jr., Operator #1, Aromatics, Houston Refinery, were chosen to become overnight television actors for the same reason, since the use of high-gloss professionals would have been a detraction. Dawson will also be included in the Shell News story.

Also included in the 1971:5 edition of the employee magazine will be a farewell to New York as seen through the camera lens; a view of Houston as seen through the eyes of a Shell secretary; a visit to the Bryans Mill Plant; a story on an employee who's also a stunt flier; an article on the Washington State ferries (which are fueled by Shell); the answer to the question: "Who Were the Shell Penguins?"; a recap of Vice President Marketing F. H. Staub's Washington testimony on whether gasolines should be considered interchangeable.