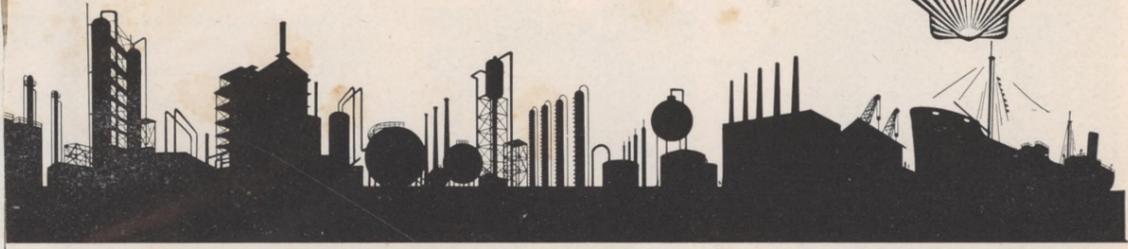
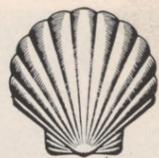




# The SHELLEGRAM



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## Shell To Supply Fuel to Eastern Air Lines

One of the largest deals of its type on record, Eastern Airlines has contracted with Shell Chemical Company for the delivery of an estimated \$35,000,000 worth of aviation gasoline. This represents delivery of a major part of the fuel for the 100 and grade 115 aviation gasoline required by Eastern's current fleet of 60 Silver Falcons, 20 new Constellations, 14 super Constellations, and 11 four-engine Skyliners. Houston Refinery will supply Eastern Airlines fuel requirements locally. Eastern has scheduled a day of flights from Houston Municipal Airport to various points to be supplied by Shell include La Guardia Airport, New York, Washington, D. C., Charlotte, North Carolina, Atlanta, Georgia, New Orleans, Louisiana, Houston, Texas, St. Louis, Missouri, Louisville, Kentucky and Indianapolis, Indiana. Deliveries will begin February 1, 1954.

Shell is the largest supplier of fuel to commercial airlines in the United States. Other large users of Shell aviation fuels include Trans-World Airlines, Inc., North American Airlines, Inc., and United Airlines, Inc.

## Ten & Over Club Celebrates With Picnic

### Members Carry Combined Total Of 15,644 Years Company Service Worked With Shell

Celebrating a combined total of 15,644 years of company service, Refinery members of the Ten and Over Club held their annual banquet October 31 at Milby Park in Houston.

The club, exclusively for employees with ten or more years of service, welcomed 140 new members to its ranks this year. Excluding pensioners, some 987 employees are members of the group.

After a barbecue dinner, the group received tickets reserved in a block for the Rice-Kentucky football game.

A contest to see who could guess closest to the total combined number of years spent by all the members of the club found M. S. Reeves Machine Shop, winner of a clock-radio.

Some 30 women have qualified for membership, and 57 pensioners belong. Retired Shellite, A. B. Salmon, formerly of Cracking, returned from Nashoba, Oklahoma, to spend the day at the party.

Houston Refinery boasts a roster of Ten and Over Club members invited to the annual party of 474 with 10 or more years, 286 with 15 or more years, 184 with 20 or more years, 33 with 25 or more years, 9 with 30 or more years,

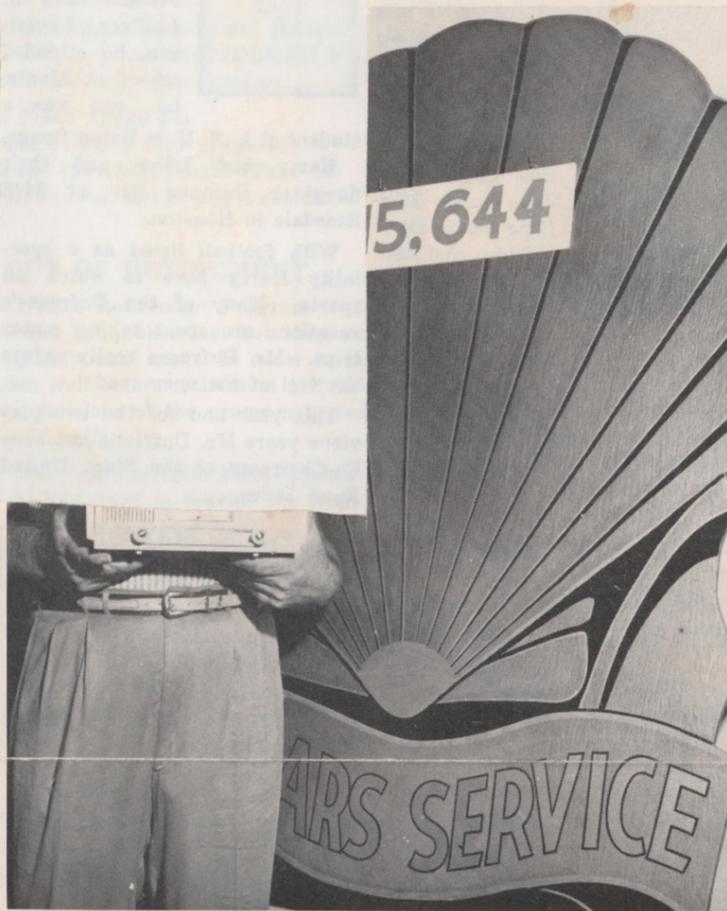
and 1 with 35 years.

Committeemen for the party were W. B. (Tiny) Harris, George Thorn, A. M. Flint, J. B. Clark, L. J. Grossheim. On the reception committee were Betty McCambridge, Opal Hickman, Mary Faye Sherman, and Libbie Cassner.

Photographs of the occasion appear on Page Four.

## API Visits Refinery

Members of the API Committee on Waste Disposal visited the refinery recently. Bill Brandes and B. E. Norwood of the Refinery, W. A. Gleich of the Chemical Plant summarized briefly some of Shell's local stream and air pollution abatement facilities. The Shell member of the API group was L. C. Burroughs, Assistant to Vice-President—Manufacturing. A refinery tour was provided for the group.



A WILD GUESS won a clock-radio for Machinist M. S. Reeves at the Ten & Over barbecue when he came closest to guessing the grand total of 15,644 years combined service of all members.

## United Fund Participation Up

Participation was up in the United Fund Drive at Houston Refinery and Chemical Plant. In individual drive held at each plant, Refinery participation climbed from 80% last year to 83% this year. Chemical Plant figures

reveal 74% this time compared to 70% last year.

A total of \$20,934 was received in both drives with \$14,700 from the Refinery and \$6,234 from the Chemical Plant. Chemical Plant contributions rose from \$5,876 last year, while Refinery totals dropped from \$16,135. Over 3,100 employees gave their money to help the needy.

Chairmen of the drive at the Refinery were H. B. Jarrett, Machine Shop, and Kemper Kaiser, P&IR. Heading the drive at the Chemical Plant were H. A. Dufresne, Personnel, and E. N. Lary, Operating.

Chalking up 100% participation at the Refinery were these groups:

### IN THIS ISSUE

For pictures of the Ten & Over party, see Page 4. If you want a review of the SERA Style Show, turn to Page 5. You'll find stories about a glamour girl and one about scouts on Page 8.

Tinners, Brickmasons, Welders, Treasury, Management, Economics and Scheduling, Cafeteria, Credit Union, Painters, Control Lab, Tech.

Chemical Plant 100% contributors were Utilities, Brickmasons, Administration, Control Lab, A. Department Office, Personnel, Safety, Leadburners, Electricians, Riggers, E. Department Office.

On behalf of all the chairmen, Kemper Kaiser and H. B. Jarrett (Continued To Page Eight)

## L. Lucas Key Figure at NOMA Convention

R. L. Lucas, Refinery Treasury Manager, was one of the key figures in the National Office Management Association convention held November 8-10 at the Shamrock.

National Chairman of Regional Conferences, he is in charge of the planning that makes the conferences possible.

"Six Keys to Effective Management" is the title of the regional conference with some 24 chapters attending. Shellites who attended various sessions of the conferences related to their jobs are: Simoneaux, Hortense Barrell, Wright, Ed Garner, Eddie Morgan, Everett Williams, Bill Fly, Homer Chapman, Ray Kissinger—of the Treasury Department, Charlie Jones from Research.

## Martinez Starts Building Platforming Unit

Construction has begun on a new platforming unit at the Martinez Refinery. The new installation, expected to be in operation by July of 1954, is designed to boost the octane rating of low quality gasoline stocks through a catalytic reforming process that uses platinum as the catalyst. The resulting high octane product will be used as top grade automotive gas-

oline or as a base stock for making high quality aviation gasolines.

The new Martinez unit will have a processing capacity of 4,500 barrels a day. It is the third platforming unit to be installed by Shell... the first is already in operation at the Houston Refinery, the second now under construction at the Wood River Refinery.

## Shellegram Wins Pacemaker Award



PACEMAKER AWARD goes to the Shellegram, an award for high professional standards in the 1953 Publications Competition of the Society of Associated Industrial Editors. Many reporters such as Otto Bopp, Cat Cracker, and Marion Smith, Research, have been responsible for getting the award they hold.

# NOVEMBER SERVICE BIRTHDAYS



R. R. Cooper

R. Ray Cooper celebrates 25 years of service with Shell this month. Beginning his career at Norco, Mr. Cooper came to Houston Refinery in October 1932 as a Tester in the Control Laboratory. He moved to the Treating Department in August 1933 as a Treater Helper. His present classification is Solutizer Operator.

Born in McComb, Mississippi, Ray attended high school there. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper have one daughter, Mary Ellen, and their home is at 8333 Glenview in Houston.

A member of the Lions Club in Houston, Ray says he is a "potlicker fisherman" and likes fishing and hunting. He backs up his hobbies with a collection of guns of all types.



D. W. Goldsmith

Dudley W. Goldsmith was born in Edna, Kansas, graduated from high school at Altamont. Then he attended Kansas State Teachers College. This month he observes 25 years of Shell service.

In June 1928, Mr. Goldsmith began working for Shell with the then Roxana Oil Corporation in Maude, Kansas, and came to Houston Refinery as a Truck Driver in November 1928. He transferred to the Distilling Department in September 1933 as a Gauger, and became an Operator No. 1 in November 1941.

Military Leave of Absence took him to the service in October 1942. He returned with the rank of Sergeant in July 1945. He was with the 2109 AAF Base Unit.

In July 1946, Dudley transferred

to Catalytic Cracking as an Operator No. 1 and became a Shift Foreman in September 1952.

The Goldsmiths have two children and their residence is 2017 Walker Avenue in Houston. Fishing and baseball provide leisure-time entertainment.

## J. K. LANE

Twenty years with Shell is the marker John K. Lane reaches this month! Working in Houston for Shell since 1933, Mr. Lane came to the Refinery in 1936. He was born in England, but attended school here in Houston.



A Mechanic No. 1 in the Automotive Department, John and Mrs. Lane have three children and seven grandchildren. Hunting and fishing are Mr. Lane's hobbies. What does he like to hunt and fish? Most anything that swims or walks in this section of the country. He especially likes to hunt deer and geese.

## REFINERY

### FIFTEEN YEARS

M. E. Neil, Control Lab

### TEN YEARS

- V. M. Calhoun, Cracking
- M. A. Christian, Automotive
- E. F. Coburn, Dispatching
- J. S. Morris, Engineering
- H. R. Pyle, Control Lab
- R. Tanner, Engineering
- E. A. Thomas, Engineering
- R. Van Matre, Engineering

## CHEMICAL

### TEN YEARS

- Albert Brown, Engineering
- D. B. Burns, Laboratory
- T. N. Butzke, Engineering
- M. U. Fail, Engineering
- G. M. Horton, Operations
- J. J. Jones, Engineering
- J. R. McDonald, Engineering
- R. L. Murdock, Engineering
- E. L. Sampson, Engineering
- J. R. Sanders, P & IR
- H. L. Shores, Shipping
- B. L. Stanley, Stores
- E. G. Wooley, Operations

## H. A. DUFRESNE

At Norco Refinery in 1933, Harry A. Dufresne started his Shell service as a Gauger Number 3. He became a Shift Foreman in 1938 and in August 1945 was made Training Supervisor in Industrial Relations Department. Mr. Dufresne left his home state in March of 1949 to become Department Manager of Personnel and Industrial Relations at our Houston Plant. Born in LaPlace, Louisiana, he attended school at Montz, La., and was a student at L. S. U. in Baton Rouge.

Harry and Lillian and their daughter Suzanne live at 3448 Rosedale in Houston.

With football listed as a speciality Harry likes to watch all sports. Many of the Dufresne's vacations are spent taking motor trips. Mr. Dufresne really enjoys the feel of the open road.

This year and for the two previous years Mr. Dufresne has been Co-Chairman of the Plant United Fund Drive.

## G. E. MARTIN

G. E. Martin can look back on a full career. He has been with Shell for twenty years now. Born in Guthrie, Oklahoma, he was named after the town and after a local grocer. He went to school in Oklahoma.

Mr. Martin was first employed at Shell Refinery in the winter of 1933. He worked there as a General Helper. In 1946 he was transferred to the Chemical Plant and worked here as a Boilermaker No. 1, an Assistant Foreman, and at his present job of Construction Foreman.

Quite an outdoors man, Mr. Martin spends a good deal of his time fishing and hunting.

A Mason and also a Shriner, Mr. Martin is Past Patron of East Star Bethlehem Chapter Number 728.

The Martins live at 1466 Godwin in Houston.



... these new employees and welcomed them to Shell?

## REFINERY

### Research

- G. T. Monroe, Jr. Lab Asst.
- B. N. Peal, Jr. Lab Asst.

### Treasury

- Anelle R. DeBerry, File & Mail Clerk.

## CHEMICAL

### Engineering

- A. W. Benson, Jr., General Helper
- T. L. Burnett, General Helper
- T. T. Cannon, General Helper
- G. H. Garver, Draftsman
- T. J. Hogan, General Helper
- W. B. Knox, General Helper
- J. M. Martin, General Helper
- L. L. Moore, General Helper
- B. R. Parker, General Helper
- W. Phipp, General Helper
- C. J. Stasney, General Helper
- T. S. Wisdom, Engineer
- J. T. Word, General Helper

### Laboratory

- R. E. Ciuizio, Jr. Chemist
- F. M. Simpson, Jr. Chemist

### Research

- R. C. Whitman, Chemist

### Stores

- A. C. Fuqua, Jr., Clerk

### Treasury

- C. J. Griffin, Stenographer
- D. E. Johnson, Stenographer
- M. A. Ratliff, Stenographer
- T. L. Williamson, Clerk

## Classified

### REFINERY

FOR SALE: A rotary power lawnmower \$30.00.  
Falvey Smith GR-2-7834

FOR SALE: One treadle sewing machine. Good condition. \$20.00.  
A. H. Baker

Ref. 489 GR-2-4668

ATTENTION EX-NAVY MEN: I have a group of Sea Scouts who are in need of any kind of naval uniforms—both whites and blues—and caps, leggings, and belts.

J. M. McFarland  
Carpenter Shop 552 OL-158

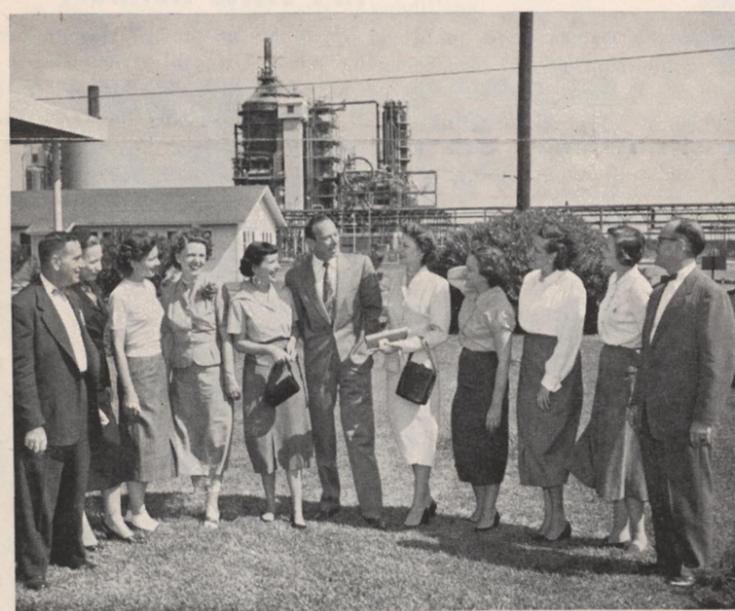
### CHEMICAL

FOR SALE: 1941 Dodge, two doors. Good tires, body and motor.  
D. A. Haragen

North Gate 249 7218 Kerne OL-136

FOR SALE: 5 H. P. Outboard motor. 1951 model. New condition. Bargain at \$65.00.

I. L. Bocox  
Chemical 301 GR-2-263



DESK & DERRICK club members came to Houston Refinery on one of their recent field trips to various oil companies where the group learns about different phases of the oil industry. Refinery employees helping conduct the tour were Marx Isaacs and Iris Harmon at the left, Ed Nicar in center with Dorothy Golden to left of him, Ety Matthews to right, and Harold Lewis, right. Seven Refinery girls are members of the club.

## Shellites Don J. Wilson, Victor E. Kubacak Die

Don J. Wilson, Material Yard Foreman of the Stores Department, died November 3, 1953, in a local hospital after an extended illness.



Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, he moved to Texas and graduated from Sam Houston High School in Houston.

Victor E. Kubacak, an operator in the Cracking Department at Houston Refinery, was fatally injured in an automobile accident October 18, 1953.



Mr. Kubacak was in the Army from February 1943 until February 1946. A native Texan, he attended high school in Cameron, Texas. He was 29 years old.

## Ben Burleson Retires To Own Flower Shop

It's flowers for Ben R. Burleson upon his retirement, for he plans to devote his full time to his own flower shop in Galena Park.

Retiring with nearly 24 years of Shell service, Mr. Burleson was a Solutizer Operator in the Treating Department. First employed as an Electrician Helper in May 1929, he moved to the Treating Department in July 1933. He has worked at a variety of positions in that department.



## Military Leave



J. R. Massey  
11-2-53  
Engineering  
Army, Pvt.



J. H. DeNike  
10-23-53  
Laboratory  
Army



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# Pays To Know Your Shell Benefits

## MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR NEST EGG

Since 1938, Shell has contributed more than \$225,000,000 toward employees' retirement security. That's a lot of money, but it takes a lot of money to maintain a liberal retirement program which is rated one of the best.

Last year, for example, on top of every payroll dollar, Shell added another 17 cents to go into the Pension Plan and to match employee contributions to the Provident Fund.

Monthly pension payments to retired employees now total more than \$217,000 and they are increasing all the time. Since the start of the Pension Plan, over \$11,000,000 have been paid out to pensioners.

Furthermore, Shell employees now have more than \$153,000,000 standing to their credit in the Provident Fund and this is after withdrawals which have amounted to more than \$37,000,000.

### CAN YOU ANSWER THESE?

Test yourself on these additional points about your retirement security. Then check your answers in your copy of PROGRAM FOR SECURITY. The page numbers are listed with each question.

1. Do I contribute to the Pension Plan? (Page 21)
2. What part of the Provident Fund do I pay for? (Page 13)
3. What happens to the money in the Provident Fund? (Page 14)
4. When will I be eligible for a full Pension and how is it calculated? (Page 22)

### GETTING THE MOST OUT OF RETIREMENT

One of the good things about Shell's Retirement Program is its flexibility. The benefits are liberal and comprehensive, but they can be adapted to meet a variety of individual needs. In order to get the most out of them, you should plan well before retirement just how you are going to adapt the several provisions of the program to best meet your requirements and those of your family.

For example, do you want to take your Provident Fund balance in a lump sum? To what extent do you want to provide for your wife after your death? It is not always easy to make the right decisions. But to be on the safe side, here are some of the questions which will confront you when you retire and to which you will have to provide the answers:

### SHELL PROVIDENT FUND

- Should I withdraw my balance in a lump sum?
- Should I leave all or part of it in the Fund to share in earnings?
- Should I leave it in the Fund, how should I withdraw the earnings?
- Should it be better if I used all or part of my Provident Fund to purchase an annuity to supplement my pension?
- What type of supplementary annuity would be best for me and my family?

### SHELL PENSION PLAN

What pension option would be best for me and my family? Will I need all my pension income for family needs while I live, or should I accept a reduced amount for myself so as to provide my wife with a pension after my death?

### SOCIAL SECURITY

- What Primary Insurance Benefit will be available to me when I reach age 65?
- When I become entitled to receive a Primary Insurance Benefit:
  - What benefit will be payable to my wife when she reaches age 65?
  - What benefit will be payable to her before age 65, if we have a child under 18?
  - What benefit will be payable to each dependent child under 18?
- At the event of my death:
  - What benefit will then be payable to my wife when she reaches age 65?
  - What benefit will be payable to her before age 65, if I left in her care a child under 18?
  - What benefit will be payable to each dependent child under 18?

### POST-RETIREMENT INSURANCE

- Do I want my beneficiary to receive my life insurance in a lump sum or should I provide that it be paid in monthly installments?
- Q. When are an employee's contributions to the Provident Fund taxable?
  - A. An employee's Provident Fund contributions are taxable currently as part of his wage salary, and therefore are not subject to any further tax when repaid in a lump sum following termination of service.
- Q. When are the Company's Provident Fund payments and all declared earnings credited to the employee's account taxable?
  - A. They are taxable to the employee following termination of service in the year they are received by him or are available to him. Under current Federal tax laws, the taxable amount may be treated as a long term capital gain. One half of this amount is then tax exempt when the member leaves the Company. The tax on the remainder is limited to a maximum of 52 per cent.
- Q. If a retiring employee decides to deposit any of his Provident Fund money in the Fund, when must he pay taxes on the taxable amount?
  - A. At retirement, since the money was available to him at that time.



HERE'S WHAT the United Fund does, explains L. L. Jenkins to J. F. Woodard, Welding Shop.



A SALE IS MADE as Boilermaker L. B. McAdams sees James Gentry sign up for UF.



### REFINERY

August 27: Nathaniel P., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Singleton (Eng-Field).

Sept. 19: Janet Elise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Clerc (Research).

Sept. 23: Debra Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Elliott (Boilermakers).

Oct. 7: Mark D., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wolchik (Boilermakers).

Oct. 7: Lawrence Russel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenwood (Lube).

Oct. 9: Rhonda Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harris (Welding).

Oct. 14: Cynthia Diane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jenkins (Lube).

Oct. 23: Cynthia Dyan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. (Red) Norton (Welding).

Oct. 30: Meryl Preston, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Hunter (Carpenter Shop).

### CHEMICAL

July 10: Dana Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker (E Dept.)

Sept 28: Brian Duke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Calvit (Engineering).

Sept. 30: Michael Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Duke (P&R Dept).

Sept. 30: Billy Erwin, son of (ing).

Oct. 14: Judy Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harris (Weld-Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Jones (Instrument Shop).

Nov. 10: Daniel Phillip, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland J. Maddox (Tech).

Oct. 10: Glen Mathew and Gail Marie, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Eby (Labor Dept).

Oct. 15: Terry Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Britton (Pipe Shop).

Oct. 16: Marilyn Kay, daughter of H. C. Davidson (A&B Dept).

Oct. 23: Denice Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ditto (Stores).

Oct. 26: Dianne Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morey (Treasury).

Oct. 27: Marjorie Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodric Morogh Jr. (E Dept).

### Reporters' Column

## You'll Find Shellites In Korea, Germany, Holland, Washington

Can anyone challenge the record of the men in Lube A? With under 40 men in the group, there are 35 fathers, 89 children, two more children expected to be added to the score, and in September alone, six children were born in the group.

### Daughter in Germany

T. D. Harris, CC Gas Shift Foreman, has a daughter in Munich, Germany. Joann is over with her husband who is in the Air Force, has been there six months, and



### REFINERY

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Sanders are at home at 112 South Carroll in La Porte, Texas, following their marriage October 2, 1953, in La Porte. Mrs. Sanders is the former Patricia Bench, and Mr. Sanders is a member of the Riggers crew at Houston Refinery.

### CHEMICAL

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Harris are at home at 6051 Ridgeway Drive following their marriage October 10th. The bride is the former Miss Borda Lon Bower a University of Houston graduate. The First Presbyterian Church was the setting for the formal wedding ceremony. The couple honeymooned at Colorado Springs. A. B., an A & M graduate, is a member of the P & R Department.

"What God has put asunder let no man put together," shocked the wedding guest, temporarily but the ceremony of Gloria Faulkner and Ken Braud continued without another error. The couple was married in a candlelight ceremony on October 16th. The reception was held at the church after the wedding. The Brauds took a wedding trip to New Orleans. They are now living at 2812 Wichita in Houston. Ken works in the General Accounting Section.

will be there another year or two. She reports that she likes living there.

Harry Tidwell in Cracking has returned to work. He had been off on sick leave for about two years.

W. P. Barabash, a project engineer, has been transferred to Head Office in New York Engineering Department. He is to be project engineer on the off-plot facilities for the new refinery at Anacortes, Washington. He will return to Houston for a short time and then go to Washington with his family.

### Now in Korea

Jean Hacker, Refinery employee on Military Leave, is now stationed in Korea and writes he is working as a draftsman after undergoing training as a rifleman. His address is Pvt. Jean E. Hacker, US 27517124, Hq. Co., 3rd Bn. 223rd Inf. Regt., APO 6. % PM, San Francisco, Calif.

Members of the Deer Park Fire Department are organizing a Civil Defense Emergency Rescue Unit. Shellite B. S. Landry is working hard to get members and donations. This will be the only unit between Houston and LaPorte at the present.

Rudy Motard, Research engineer, left New York by air October 5 for Te Werve, Holland, for a research conference. A visit to the Shell offices in the Hague and laboratories in Amsterdam and Delft follows.

Warren Saunders was honoree when his Refinery co-workers gathered for a send-off party recently at the Ellington Officers Club. A member of the Cracking Department here, Warren has been transferred to the Tech department in Head Office at New York.

A leaded stained glass window was an unusual tribute given to M. O. Baker of the Research Lab recently. The Garden Villas Methodist Church honored him for his twelve years of service as general superintendent of the Sunday School by installing the window in the church with a bronze plaque in commemoration of his work.

# A Barbecue, Football Game Highlight Day For Ten & Over Club



Retired employees return to the annual Ten & Over party



Load it up with hot barbecue and beans



Football broadcast glues audience at door



Newcomers get special name tags pinned on

## Who Can Guess How Long They Worked?

Members of the Ten and Over Club, Shellites with ten or more years of service, were entertained Saturday, October 31, 1953, with a barbecue at Milby Park and sat in a block at the Rice-Kentucky football game to top off the evening. A contest to guess the total number of years worked by all the members highlighted the day. Grand total was 15,644 years.



Hearty enjoyment was the order of the day



Food first, then on to Rice-Kentucky game where Ten & Over members sat in a block.



Former Manager P. E. Foster (r.) discusses old times with Kisinger (l.), P. E. Keegan.



Many women are joining the ranks of the exclusive club for the roll now boasts 30 women qualified for the club.

## Personnel Changes

FROM	TO
<b>REFINERY</b>	
<b>Fire &amp; Safety</b>	
H. Miller ..... Special Tester	Safety Inspector
<b>Engineering</b>	
D. H. Wheeler ..... Draftsman	Sr. Draftsman
<b>Gas</b>	
C. A. Wolfe ..... Asst. Shift Foreman	Shift Foreman
<b>Stores</b>	
O. Marie Crawford ..... File & Mail Clerk	Typist Clerk
<b>CHEMICAL</b>	
<b>Engineering</b>	
G. H. Carter ..... Operator No. 1 (A&B)	Valve Repairman Hlpr. No. 2
P. R. Crockett ..... Asst. Foreman Maint.	Foreman Labor
W. L. Howe ..... Loader - Shipper	General Hlpr. No. 2
H. E. Hughes ..... Assistant Chief Engineer	Chief Engineer
R. M. Oaks ..... Senior Engineer - Construction	Assistant Chief Engineer
C. S. Pertl ..... Operator No. 2 (E)	Machinist Hlpr. No. 2
O. L. Pomykal ..... Operator Hlpr. (P&R)	Boilermaker Hlpr. No. 2
J. C. Rountree ..... Operator Hlpr. No. 1 (A&B)	Boilermaker Hlpr. No. 2
F. M. Sherrer ..... Loader - Shipping	Boilermaker Hlpr. No. 2

H. L. Siemsen ..... Loader - Shipping  
 W. W. Stokes ..... Supervisor (G)  
 R. C. Strother ..... Operator Hlpr. (G)  
 R. L. Thornton ..... Foreman Maint.

### Operations

G. G. Barnes ..... Opr. Tab. Machine - Treasury  
 A. L. Burrow ..... Foreman Labor - Engineering  
 C. S. Camp ..... Shift Foreman (E)  
 H. W. Fisher ..... Shift Foreman (G)  
 W. E. Fulenwider, Jr. .... Shift Foreman  
 J. P. Garlington ..... Operator Hlpr. (C)  
 G. M. Horton ..... Opr. No. 1/Shift Foreman  
 A. E. Kachel ..... Shift Foreman  
 W. C. Morgan ..... Opr. No. 1/Shift Foreman  
 C. A. Mosley ..... Shift Foreman (E)  
 R. L. Payne ..... Operator No. 1  
 C. W. Pearce ..... Shift Foreman (E)  
 R. L. Smith ..... Shift Foreman (G)  
 B. E. Van Meter ..... General Helper  
 A. L. Woodring ..... Opr. No. 1/Shift Foreman

### P & I R

N. R. Dorn ..... Steno. - Treasury  
 W. A. Morgan ..... Clerk - Treasury  
 F. P. Thompson ..... Clerk

### Research

G. H. Riesser ..... Chemist - Dominguez

### Treasury

A. J. Dugas ..... Clerk (G)  
 H. W. Morey ..... Clerk - Treasury  
 J. M. Tinkle ..... Jr. Clerk

Boilermaker Hlpr. No. 2  
 Maint. Coordinator  
 Truck Driver No. 2  
 General Foreman

Clerk (G)  
 Supervisor (G)  
 Shift Foreman (G)  
 Shift Foreman (P&R)  
 Shift Foreman (P&R)  
 Operator Hlpr. (E)  
 Shift Foreman (E)  
 Shift Foreman (P&R)  
 Shift Foreman (E)  
 Shift Foreman (P&R)  
 Shift Foreman (E)  
 Shift Foreman (G)  
 Shift Foreman (P&R)  
 Operator Helper  
 Shift Foreman (E)

Stenographer  
 Clerk  
 Supervisor

Chemist

Clerk  
 Operator Tab. Machine  
 File Clerk

## Did You Know?

The world's largest hotel, if converted into a mammoth storage tank, would hold only enough oil to supply the nation for about 10 hours. As an oil tank, the hotel would hold 3.4 million barrels. The United States requires over 8.3 million barrels a day for its domestic and foreign demand.



A trackless train, powered by diesel fuel oil, has been designed to run in the desert, on jungle roads and other difficult transportation areas. The rubber-tired train has eight 20-ton freight cars, each of which pulls itself with electric wheels. Oil power adds still another vehicle to the modern world's versatile transportation possibilities.



Fine food, good company loom ahead.



A difficult choice must be made



A warm glow will enter your life

### Horoscope Reveals Sumptuous Buffet, Latest Styles In Houston Club Show



The Gene Graces. Your cares will dance away.

1953  
Style Show  
SERA



She knows all. Your future will be changed by today's events.

What the horoscope revealed as the fortune teller sat pondering her crystal ball and the Shell women dined on a sumptuous buffet at the SERA annual Style Show in the Houston Club October 16 was a prediction for the future!

You'll find these predictions of future styles in the wardrobes of many of the Shell women by press-time. Battlesteins presented the styles, Randolph School of Dancing the entertainment, Alice Rodgers trio the music. Chairman of the Style Show was Doris Winner of the Chemical Plant.



Charm Magazine Editor



You will have a strong influence on others



A festive occasion shows in your hands



Who knows what the future brews



Plan today for a bright tomorrow



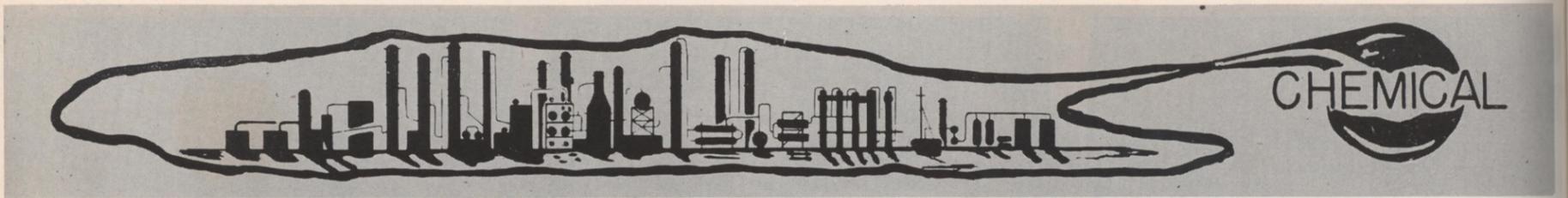
Attention to detail reaps success



Seen in others, your own reflection



What is the magic formula for style?

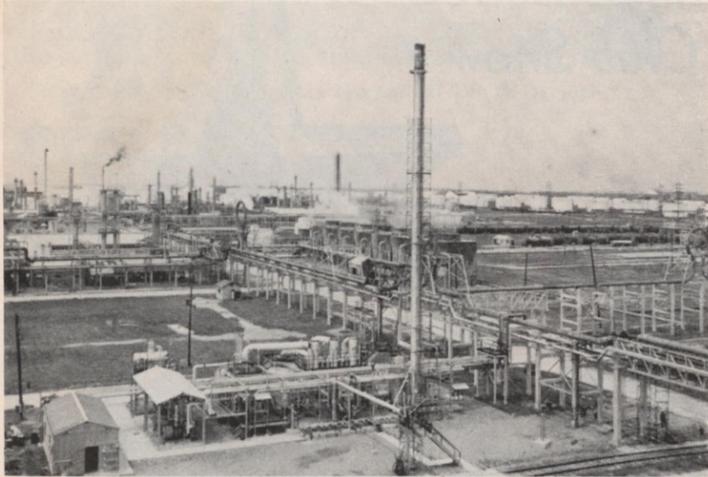


## Sulfur Recovery Plant Completes First Year Of Continuous Operations

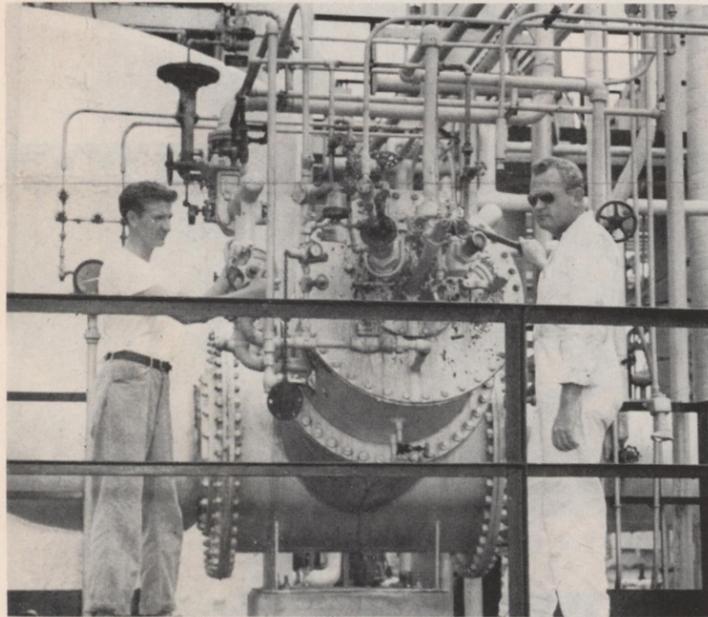
The Sulfur Plant went on stream October 6, 1952. It has operated continuously for over one year. In general, the plant has performed in a highly satisfactory manner. By building the plant we helped to add to the sulfur supply and

strengthen our position in the purchase of sulfuric acid.

The plant consists of a waste heat boiler, an auxiliary burner, two converters, three condensers, a tail gas scrubber, and steam heated concrete pit for storage of the liquid sulfur product. The H<sub>2</sub>S feed is partially burned with air in the waste heat boiler with the formation of SO<sub>2</sub> and sulfur vapor. The converters promote a reaction between the SO<sub>2</sub> and unreacted H<sub>2</sub>S to form additional sulfur vapor. The condensers liquefy the sulfur vapor and the liquid drains from the boiler, condensers, and scrubber to the storage pit. Sulfur is shipped from the plant as a liquid in tank cars. Although the plant was designed for the production of fifty-five tons of sulfur per stream day, feed availability limits current production to between thirty and forty tons. Two acid gas feed streams are processed one from the Girbotol unit in the EP Feed Preparation unit, and the other from the potassium phosphate treaters at the Refinery.



Dwarfed by some of the other units the Sulfur Recovery Plant has helped for over a year in eliminating air pollution.



Glenn Hardin (left) Operator Helper, and J. B. Heath, Operator, in the Sulfur Recovery Plant check on operations.

### Eliminates Air Pollution

The feeds to the Sulfur Plant are waste materials which were formerly flared. Operation of the plant has eliminated this source of atmospheric pollution. Approximately 91% of the sulfur fed to the plant is recovered as product. This is slightly better than design. The tail gases from the plant are incinerated with hydrogen to further reduce air pollution.

### Not Generally Oil By-Product

Sulfur recovery is not generally a part of petroleum refining operations although there were forty plants built in the U. S. last year. This type plant for recovery of sulfur has come into use in recent years. One operator and his helper operate the plant, which is a part of E Department.



Bob Black, P & IR, opens the door to the new North Gatehouse

## New North Gatehouse Constructed

The new North Gatehouse was completed about the first of November. It is a frame structure covered with buff colored stucco and trimmed in green wood. The building has louver type aluminum screens, which keep out the glare from the afternoon sun. The front portion of the Gatehouse is curved to give the Gateman better visibility in all directions. An electric heater and a drinking fountain help make the gatehouse comfortable. The gatehouse was moved from its former location seventy-five feet north, to its present location so that the gateman would have a better vantage point from which to observe traffic.

## Ninety-Five Shellites Attend Party



Jean Elliott (l) makes ready to serve the fish, while Bob Crouch and Bob Witman watch Bill Berkley serving Gordon Overby.

A stag barbecue was held at the bayou are so enjoyable. If you haven't been, try to arrange a dinner on Friday, Nov. 13th. The next one.

combination barbecue and fish-fry drew a large crowd. There were ninety-five men who stayed for the \$1.35 a plate supper, which was served at 5:00 P.M. The Company sponsors about five similar affairs each year and helps with the expenses. Jean Elliott, Instrument Shop; Jack Cleveland, Tool Room; and A. Brown, Labor Dept. are masters of the art of preparing bar-b-cue and fish in the open. As for promoters, Olen Hunley heads the list. This was the first combination barbecue and fish fry. It was so much enjoyed and so well attended that maybe it will be tried again. The pavillion is an ideal place for these affairs and it is no wonder that barbecues on



K. W. Greene, W. H. Young, G. D. Shannon fill their plates.

## Flying Lessons, Buffaloes, Trips Make News



Earl Mantooth in Louisiana



Buffaloes graze free



Ed Thielen at Fort Sill

Joyce Tinkle is now enrolled in a local flying school. She is well on her way to becoming a skilled pilot. At night she goes to navigation school, and it seems that rats occasionally run across the school room floor. If Joyce can sit there calmly, guess her nerves are all right for flying!

### Gatemen Celebrate

On October 13th, J. D. Moore had a birthday party, not the usual ice cream and cake variety but a

special chicken dinner style. The party was held at Bill Williams on Richmond Road. Most of the Plant Gatemen were on hand to celebrate with Mr. Moore.

Earl Mantooth is a real farmer now. He has a nice place in Louisiana. Earl sent us a picture of himself with his Cajun Cadillac, a gift from his friends when he left the company recently.

Ben Walling, a retired Gateman, was out at the Plant recently for a short visit. While he was here

he went in to see Mr. Downey and also spent a little time at the Gatehouse.

### Buffaloes Aplenty

Ed Thielen brought back proof that there are still plenty of American buffaloes in existence. He recently returned from a tour of duty with the armed services in Oklahoma. Ed was stationed at Fort Sill. There is a game reservation near the Fort where large herds of buffaloes graze.

### U of T Chemical Engineering Students Visit Chemical Plant and Take Tour

A group of Texas University Chemical Engineering students visited the Plant recently. They were on a field trip, which included stops at Diamond Alkali, Shell Chemical and the A. I. Ch. E. meeting in Galveston. Members of the Technological Department were the official hosts for the group of twenty-two students and two advisors. They took a general tour of the Plant. The tour gave them an opportunity to see first hand the operation processes and the men who keep the plant running.

After an informal greeting by Mr. Shultz and Mr. F. G. Watson, the group was divided into smaller groups so that the students might have a more personalized tour. Guides for the tour were: Mr. I. Shultz, W. A. Glich, W. L. Holmes, E. H. Van Vooren, J. M. Ralls, and T. Sargent. Jean Williams, Tech Dept. secretary, went in the group with Mrs. Willene Sandel, the only girl in the class. The tour was a general one of the East and West plants. Equipment used, and processes employed were the main points of interest. The Plant has the largest variety of unit operations and processes in this area.

#### Workers Busy Along Way

Many workers were met along the way. Each with his individual job to do, some repairing units, some running the units, and some building new units. The group went through the streets stopping at intervals to see the different equipment and find out each plant's purpose. In G Plant there was a boilermaker crew working. Ed Theilen, a Boilermaker Helper, was in this group. E. J. Galle, Assistant Area Foreman, was following the operations in G Area. A short stop was made in Plant S Control House to show the students the control system. As they entered, D. D. Jones the Operator on duty was making some recording.

#### Others Taking Tour

Aaron Krus was conducting a tour for another visitor, when the group met them on their way to the Sulfur Recovery Plant. Operator, C. K. Roberts, was in the plant checking instrument readings, while Operator Helper, Monan Beard, was taking the reading on a chart. As the group left the control house at SR Plant the fire

engine, loaded with men, went by on a practice run. Don Rindsberg, E Department Manager, was with the men on the fire truck.

Inspecting the EP Control House the group met J. H. Cook, an Operator. A. A. Neveu, an operator, was keeping an eye on the gauges at the Feed Preparation Unit. Shift Foreman, A. L. Woodring, Operators, A. M. Wigginton, and W. W. Bole, and Operations Supervisor, M. J. Harmon, were all busy in the Refrigeration Reaction Unit.

#### Paints By Color Code

John Joyce, painter, was working in the EA Plant, where the color code is used on all the piping. John was painting a caustic soda line.

In the EA Control Room laboratory, Doc Gaines, Assistant Department Manager, and E. M. Maxwell were examining a sample.

Leaving the operating area on their way to the shop, the group passed by Engineers, Bob Orr and Gordon Warner of the Inspection Department. They were using an audigage to determine the thickness of a vessel wall.

#### Seeing the Shops

In the Shop Building the group went through the welding section, where the torches were blazing. O. H. Weaver, Welder Foreman, was giving J. L. Stinebower, Welder Helper, some instructions on a job.

Across the shop, Pipefitter Leo Walker, and Engineer Ray Gasperi, were having a discussion about a type of piping Ray was going to use.

Back in the main office building a tour of the control labs was taken. J. W. Dickens, Electrician, was helping out the men in the IR lab. Wally Goffeney, Chemist, came out of the lab wearing his safety glasses and his protective apron.

The group gathered in the conference room to discuss the tour. Mr. Watson answered all the questions that the students had about the plant. After the discussion the group went to the Refinery cafeteria for lunch. On the return trip the group stopped at the construction office to look over the scale model of the new Epon-BPA plants. The students then left for the Galveston meeting of the A.I. Ch.E.

## Service Club Holds Annual Celebration



Men With Hardy Appetites



J. M. Thompson reaches for a delicious chocolate éclair, as G. E. Martin, Danny Burns, R. E. Hughes and Donald Cook beam with pleasure at all their selections of good food (left)



Buffet style serving was fast, efficient method



That steaming bar-b-cue surely looks good

Close to two hundred Shell folks attended the Service Club Party at Milby Park. The group gathered in the Club House where generous helpings of bar-b-cue were served. The food was served buffet style. The menu included bar-b-cued chicken, bar-b-cued beef, smoked sausage, potato salad, pickles, onions, olives, and all other trimmings. The dessert was a specialty and as one man said it: "They were the best chocolate eclairs I ever wrapped a lip around."

After the meal, some folks listened to the Texas vs. Baylor football game, some took part in modest sporting activities, but most of the folks just sat around and talked.

#### See Rice Win

The group had seats in the East stands for the Rice vs. Arkansas game that evening. They saw the home town team run over the visiting Razorbacks. The weather

## Food, Football Fill Day



Marie Karney, one of the three women eligible for the Ten and-Over party, looks on as some of her co-workers eat their fill.

spirit of the group. They had a Good food, good entertainment, Ten-Year and- Over good time: and good friends.

## Bigger and Better Skeet Club Planned For 1953 by Members

At the first skeet shoot of this season, besides electing officers and having a grand skeet shoot, the fourteen people attending made several firm resolutions: (1) this year's club is going to be bigger and better than any before; (2) instructions, including safety precautions, will be given to beginners at each shoot; (3) the club will get a charter which will qualify members to participate in national meets, etc.; (4) those people joining the skeet club before January 1, 1954, will be written up as Charter Members.

that the skeet shoots will be held each second and fourth Saturday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Annual awards and trophies will be given. The fee is only \$2.00. Come out, inspect the facilities, get your name in the pot, and your target in the air.

Officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President - Jim Moore, Stores Dept.; Vice President - H. J. Roberts, Pipe Shop; Secretary - George Duke, G Dept.; Treasurer - Fred Jackson, Pipe Shop; Field Captain - Charles Wolfe, Pipe Shop; Membership Chairman - W. O. Miller, Refinery.



A mouthful and a smile were at the party



Texas and Baylor fans listened to the game

## Shell Scouters Win Award For Work

If scouting builds men, then a group of Shellites have helped win an award about three feet tall attributing to their construction job.

Hammering away at scout activities has won the Southeast District a trophy for having the "Best District" at the Sam Houston Area Council Annual Scout Circus Exposition. The Shellites pictured, plus many not available at photo time, have spent many hours working with scouts in this district.

At the top of the scaffold is Commissioner T. L. Wilson of Dispatching. Troop Committee Chairmen are W. W. Myers of Control Lab and John Moyers of Distilling. Dads who have worked too are W. O. Miller of Dispatching and M. W. Gable of Engineering. Unit leaders are Roy D. Plaisance of Engineering, James McFarland of Carpenter Shop, C. J. Pridgen of Electric Shop, and Jack Cleveland of the Chemical Plant.



**AWARD-WINNING SCOUTERS** are these Shell employees who helped cop the Sam Houston Area Council Annual Scout Circus "Best District" award this year: back row, W. W. Myers, T. L. Wilson, W. O. Miller, John Moyers, M. W. Gable, front row James McFarland, C. J. Pridgen, Jack Cleveland, Chem., Roy D. Plaisance.

## Shellite Named Glamour Girl On TV

### Jo Kelley Wins Title, Gifts In California

The title of "Glamour Girl", a week's complimentary stay at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, and a trunk-full of presents were presented to Shellite Jo Kelley when she vacationed in California recently.

A television show was the cause of it all.

Jo, with Faye Wismer, both of the Chemical Plant, wrote for tickets to "Glamour Girl" when they found they were going to California.

### Picked As Finalists

They saw the show on a Thursday and both were picked as finalists for a future show. The script man told the girls one of the two would appear on the show if they could stay in town.

Still seeing the town the next day, Jo got a message to appear at the studio Monday. They wrote the script with Jo playing the part of a poor Texas gal. Results of the applause meter? Jo won.

They trained her in modeling, groomed her at the beauty shop, put on a special make-up and glamorous clothes.

### Stay At Ambassador

Faye's vacation was up and she returned home, but Jo's mother



**JO KELLEY WON** all these presents and more on a TV show

joined her for the fun. They lived in luxury at the Ambassador in a room overlooking the Sun Club. Jo signed her name and the TV program picked up the tickets for the week's entertainment.

They met Jane Powell, Gene Nelson, Dan Duryea, went to the Coconut Grove, saw shows such as "Our Miss Brooks", "Phil Harris and Alice Faye", "My Little Margie", "Carmen Cavallaro", etc. Jo took tours, went dancing, sailing and saw the city.

What kind of presents did the winners of the "Glamour Girl" show get?

### Presents Galore

Jo returned home with alligator luggage, a \$200 suit, a short formal, a cocktail dress, a wardrobe of gloves and belts, dancing slippers, ornate glass frames, jewelry, perfume.

The whole fabulous experience was a result of a hunch as right as Jack Webb's Dragnet ones. Jo's mother had a hunch that Jo would get to be a contestant and win if she would go to California and get tickets to the show.

If you can explain how she knew, maybe Jack would like to ask you a few questions.



**THE DREDGE** uses a pump to suck the silt through a pipe on end of the crane through the pipe on ground to settling area.

## Dredge Removes Silt In Slip

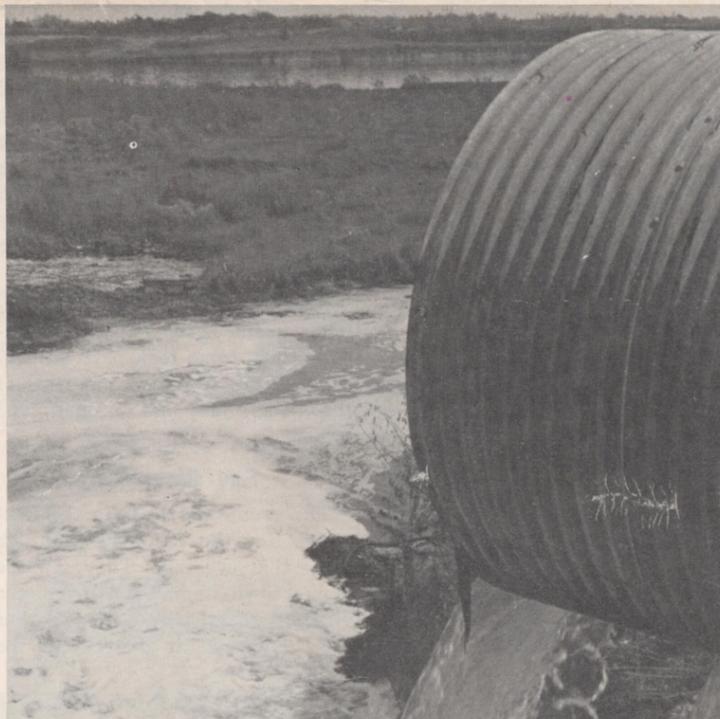
The big ships that come gliding up the Houston Ship Channel into the Shell Refinery slip to load oil for all parts of the world are big ships. And big ships must have deep water.

With the tremendous quantity of traffic plowing through the water of the channel each day, approximately 12 feet of silt is washed into the slip each year. To keep the Refinery slip deep for the world's trade, the silt must be removed.

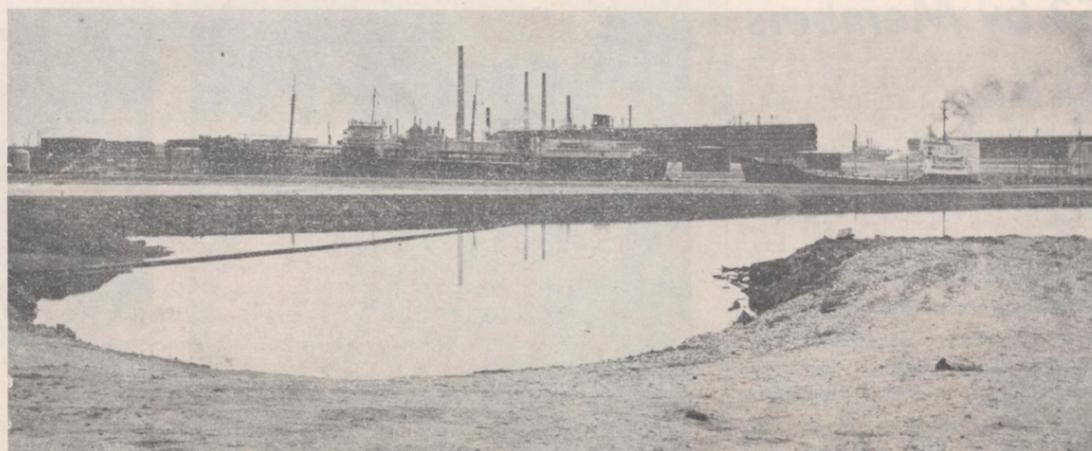
About every three years, the slip must be dredged and the silt pumped into a settling area nearby where the dirt will be retained and the water will be allowed to flow back into the channel.

This was the year for the house-cleaning at the bottom of the chan-

nel, and as the paper goes to press the operation has been completed and the big ships slide securely in and out of Houston Refinery slip for all points of the world.



**THE WATER FLOWS** back through a filter on its way to the Houston Ship Channel after the dirt has settled out in area.



**BEHIND A DIKE** is the settling area which receives the silt through a 16" pipe and allows the water to drain off through a spillway into the channel leaving the silt deposited inside the dike.

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