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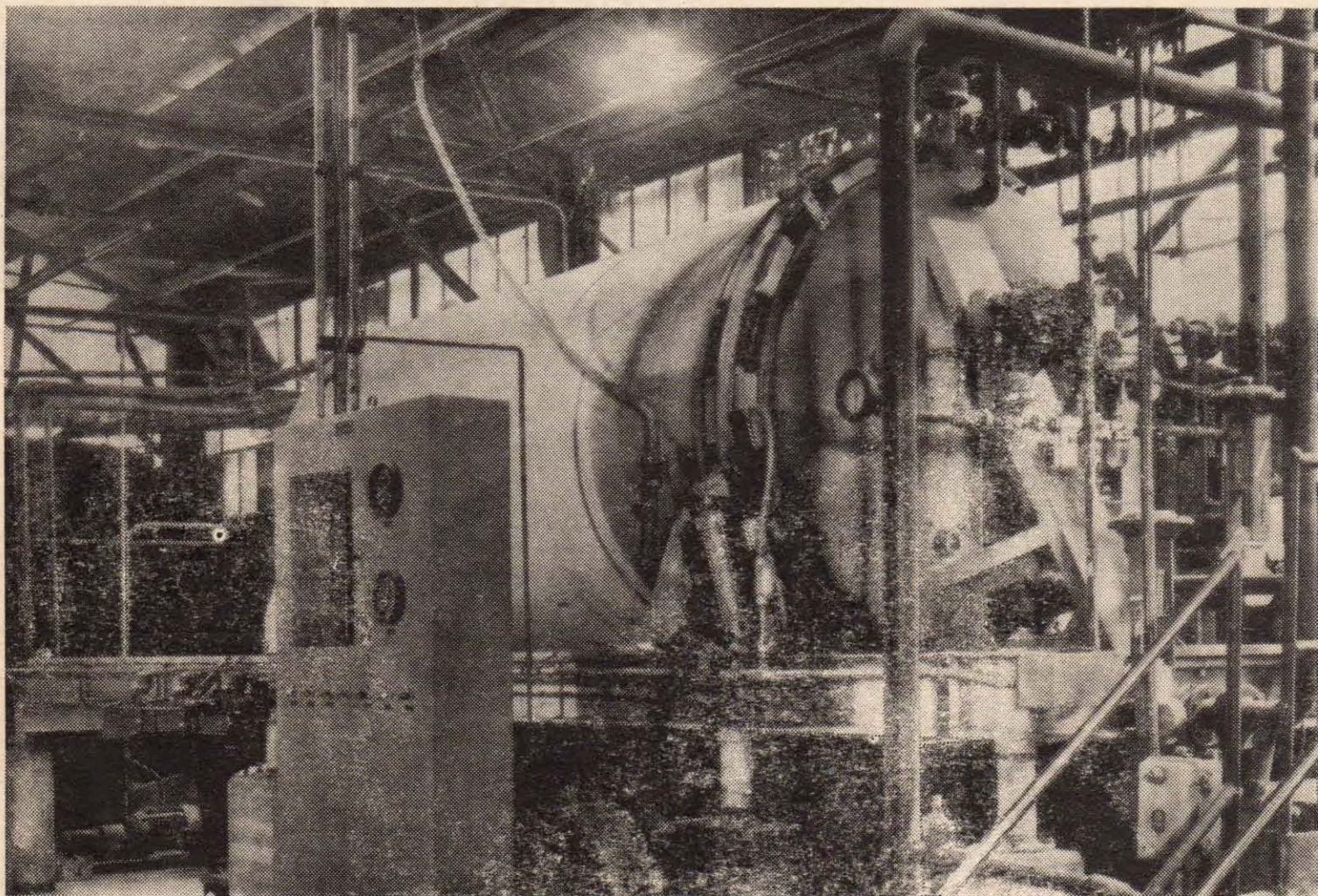
FILTRATION ENGINEERS

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## SPARKLER MODEL MCRS-1120



This Sparkler Model MCRS-1120 contains 1120 sq. ft. of filtration area, and is completely automatic. Overall length of unit is 30 ft., with a 72" diameter tank. Two of these units are installed in one plant in Calif., where they are filtering crude coconut oil.



# ★ Around The Plant ★

## SICK SICK SICK

We're very sorry to hear that John Nelson is in the hospital. John we wish you a speedy recovery.

We received word today that Otis Murray is also in the hospital. Get well soon, Otis.

We talked to Mrs. Trow a couple of days ago, and she said that Ed is doing fine except that he is getting a little sassy. (He won't even help with the dishes.) We hope to see you soon, Ed.

Ellis Udwin is out with the mumps. We understand that his wife is taking them, too. Sure hope you will be back with us very

soon.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Tommy Bivens was all smiles Monday morning when he walked in the office. He didn't take time to say good morning, but he did say hi — Guess what? I am a father of a 6 lb. 13 oz. baby girl. He and his wife, Shirley, are going to name the baby Sheri Jean. She was born Saturday, March 11, at 9:30 p.m. Tommy said that both the mother and the baby were doing fine. Tommy says, "I almost wore a hole out in the hospital floor from pacing the hall so much," Congratulations.

## STRICTLY BUSINESS

by McFeatters



"Wait'll you see Button No. 3!"

## ● WISE CRACKS ●

Joe looked up from his racing news and noticed the baby in the buggy. Turning to his wife, he observed: "Baby's nose is running again." Jill snorted and snapped: "For heaven's sakes, don't you ever think of anything except horse racing?"

Some folks in looks take so much

pride  
They don't think much on what's inside.  
Well, as for me, I know my face Can ne'er be made a thing of grace,  
And so I rather think I'll see How I can fix th' inside o' me  
So folk'll say, "He looks like sin, But ain't he beautiful within!"

# SPORTS

## SOFTBALL

The company is again sponsoring a softball team with the first practice sessions showing a fine turnout. All interested personnel should watch the bulletin board for the specific dates. Clayton Walding will manage the team and can be contacted for further details. Home games will be played at Lewis Park in Conroe. We hope that all employees interested in playing ball will be present.

## FISHERMAN'S LUCK

Man, what a night. Donald Kuykendall was telling me that he, Lloyd Allen, Bill Phillips, Otis Robertson, Itoliver Kellow, Charles Kellow, Charlie Prestwood and Roy Cook had one heck of a fishing trip. The story starts off with a big old mud hole that took them hours to get out of, then the Scout (Don Kuykendall) led them on a five mile goose chase down the the wrong road to the lake. Miles later after carrying the boat and all the other equipment the Scout finally found the lake. This was only the beginning though, once they set up camp they couldn't get Kellow or Otis away from the fire. It seems that Bill, Kirk and Lloyd had been telling some tales about some big black cats. So poor old Bill, Kirk and Lloyd had to set the nets out themselves. After everything was settled and all they had to do was wait for the nets to do their work, the big old poker game started. From what I heard of the story this was one heck of a poker game. Bill had a hard time convincing Charles Kellow that three of a kind will beat 2 pairs in any old poker game.

After hours of laying around, poker playing and telling stories about the big black cat, the moment came. It was time to check the nets. To their surprise Lloyd and Otis pulled in a bass that they claimed weighed 10 lbs. and a buf-

falo that weighed 2 lbs. They had planned to bring the bass home, but you know how that story goes. They ate the fish.

## WOW! WHAT A GAME

That is the game that was played over at Bill Phillips' house last payday. Bill said the game broke up about 5 a.m. and it took him until 1 p.m. the next day to clean his house. Bill, you will have to cut the pot more often.

I guess we can all get ready for some big tales in the papers. Fishing season is getting in the swing now. These stories are always interesting.

## Smokey Says:



Keep the streams clear and clean!

## 'Left Overs'

Dad was trying to fix a door that didn't hang just right. "Hey, Junior," he called to his son, "get me a screwdriver, will you?" After what seemed like a terribly long time, Junior came back and said very apologetically, "Gee, Dad, I've got the orange juice, but I can't find the vodka!"

The new tax forms are simple. Uncle Sam simply asks: How much do you earn; how much do you have left; and how come?



# N-O-T-E-S

We had a little excitement in the shop recently. The Red Arrow trailer ran off the end of the dock. With the assistance of the overhead crane, it only took 15 minutes to have it up on its wheels again.

It seems as though a couple of gals in the office are making big plans for their new homes. So, if you've been wondering why they have been walking on cloud 9, now you know. Watch the next issue and you'll see their names.

Don Kuykendall was showing a picture of a couple of his friends and a 74 lb. catfish they had recently caught. It so happened Norma Brannon was nearby so we asked her if she had ever seen a Texas size catfish? Her mouth flew open and her reply was, "Is that a catfish?" My Lord, I've never seen one that size.

Jackie B. drove her grandparents up to Pryor Okla. last week end. The grandparents had been spending the winter with them. Now Tom will have to do without his hot biscuits, beans and banana pie.

## FOR SALE

GO KART — Single or dual engine. Real competition racing machine. See Jerry Hattox — Administrative Sales Dept.

## OVERHEARD

"Your husband says he leads a dog's life," remarked one woman to another.

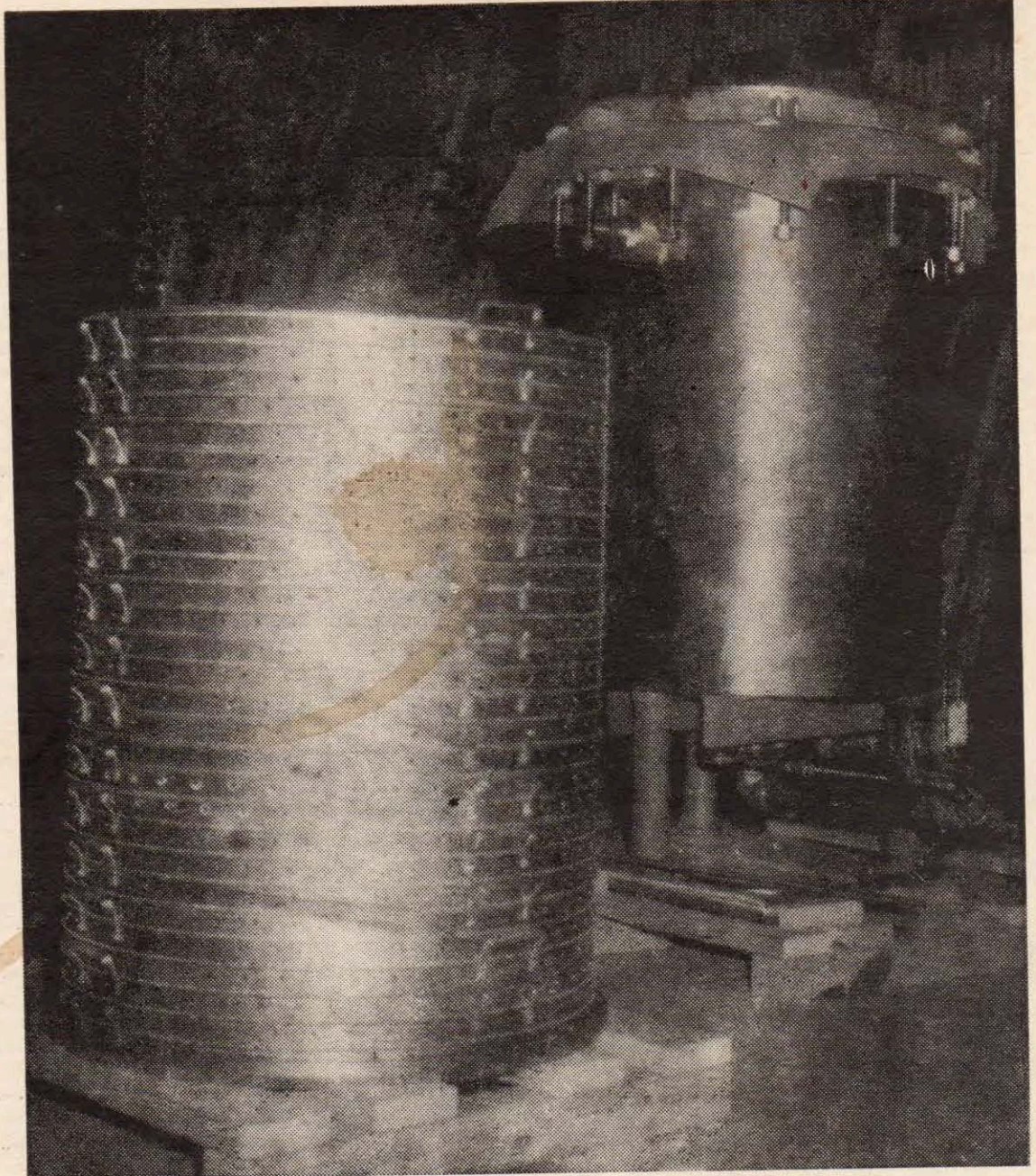
"I agree with what he says," was the reply.

He comes in with muddy feet, makes himself comfortable near the fire, waits to be fed, and sometimes snarls too much."

It's getting so the family breadwinner has to be a bakery.

When some people get a taste of authority they sure eat it up.

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MODEL 33-S-28 HORIZONTAL PLATE WHISKEY FILTER

This filter, purchased by the Continental Distilling Corporation, is one of many such units which have been designed specifically for the final filtration (polish) of whiskey prior to bottling. Breweries and distilleries take particular pride in the experience of the equipment they

install in their plants. We are pleased to share this pride in appearance which undoubtedly has accounted in part for the relatively large volume of filters we have sold and will continue to sell to this industry.

HAPPY  
EASTER



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HONOLULU (AP)—Rear Adm. Edward A. Solomons, a Navy man for 43 years retired March 21 and became a public relations man for American Life Insurance Co. of Dallas.

Piracy still flourishes in the China Sea. The pirates operate in Motorized, armor-plated junks.

## COLDS

Relieve aches and pains of colds with STANBACK Tablets or Powders. Also use as gargle for sore throat due to colds. STANBACK'S S. A. (Synergistic Action) reduces fever, brings faster, more complete relief. Remember... Snap back with STANBACK!



# The President Reports . . .

## "EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH"



JAMES D. SMITH, JR.

Sparkler Manufacturing Company is very fortunate to have an employee such as James D. Smith, Jr. James, as you know, works in the Assembly Department as an assemblyman, and a very good one at that. He enjoys many sports such as hunting, fishing and most of all softball. He played on Sparkler's softball team this past year. He, his wife, Rachel and their three daughters live in Cleveland, Texas. Congratulations James, and keep up the good work.

Dear Sparkies:

Don't these nice warm sunny days give you the "Spring Fever?" They do me. I haven't been fishing yet, but I have got my garden started. In fact, I have radishes, lettuce and turnip greens up and

growing like crazy. Planning to put in my tomato plants this week.

If any of you fellows have been fishing, let me hear about it. I may not believe your stories, but it'll be fun to hear them anyway.

It certainly is gratifying to see the on-schedule shipping the shop is doing these days — you're to be complimented indeed. In fact,

## WELCOME

Mack Jackson—A graduate of S. H. S. T. C. this past January. He his wife and their 5 year old son live on North 1st Street. Mack, we are happy to have you in our Accounting Department.

Virginia Waller - A graduate of Westbrook Hi. in 1940 She was Assistant Chief Operator for 2½ years at the Conroe Telephone Company until the dial systems took over. She has a son, 12, and a daughter, 5. Her husband is employed by Humble Oil and Ref. Co. in Houston. We wish to welcome Virginia as our PBX operator.

Geraldine Rosenbaum - A graduate of Conroe High. She was a teletypesetter operator at the Conroe Courier. She has a daughter, 2½ and a son 1 year old. Her husband is employed by S and M Radio and TV. They make their home on 401 Silverdale Dr. We're very happy to have you in our Engineering Department.

Dan Bruce - A graduate of Conroe High. He lives on Highway 105 east of Conroe. His car is his favorite hobby. Have you noticed it's called the Rough Rider. Ask Jackie Brannon, she said it's the roughest ride she has ever had.

We would like to welcome Jesse L. Green and Perry D. Fields back to the fold.

## Thank You...

Charles Freida would like to thank all the employees for the wonderful gift which was given to him. He said that everything came in mighty handy, even the smallest details.

Sue and Buck Nichols are proud parents of a baby girl. Sue just knew it would be a boy, however, she said a girl would be accepted. It seems as though o'e Buck is outnumbered with 4 women around the house.



you are giving the Sales Department some qualms — Confidentially, I think you've got them scared that they aren't going to be able to keep up with you — and wouldn't it be fun to have the shoe on the other foot for a change! But as a note of caution I must tell you that they are getting an unusually large number of quotation requests in the past 3 weeks.

So shop beware — At least so says the Sales Department. If you don't believe them, ask Charlie and John in the Estimating Department.

We really are very fortunate, considering that business in general is very slow now — at least so says J.F.K. — but maybe that's just the natural reward for building such good filters.

Sincerely,  
A. C. Kracklauer

There are 1,755 English language daily newspapers in the United States with a combined circulation of 58,299,723.