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GULF STATES UTILITIES COMPANY

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## Drivers: Buckle Up! Jury Says

**A** CASE RECENTLY tried in the 85th District Court of Texas involved an October traffic accident where two drivers, traveling in opposite directions on the thoroughfare, were involved in a near head-on collision. One was wearing seat belts, the other was not. The first was not injured, the other received head lacerations, resulting in several scars. He sued on the basis of the scars, asking \$14,000 personal damages.

It would have been just an ordinary suit, the judge stated, but the new question of negligence, in the failure to use seat belts, came up. The jury found against the plaintiff. They found he was traveling too fast, not looking where he was going and not wearing his seat belts. The jury decided that his failure to use the harness was a failure to exercise sufficient care to prevent injury to himself. It said that 95 per cent of his injuries could have been prevented, had he been wearing the belt.

This, and other similar cases, will definitely have a far-reaching effect on laws and insurance connected with auto safety. It now behooves the motorist to pay more attention to his seat belts. It might be to his advantage financially as well as physically. There is a possibility, for instance, that insurance companies might develop requirements that persons wear seat belts before the companies would pay off their claims. Also, failure to use seat belts might become a part of the determination of insurance rates.

## Psst, Lyndon! Here's a Dollar Leak

**DOES MR. JOHNSON** really care about dollar exchange, or does he talk out of both corners of his mouth? Here are excerpts from the June 18 issue of 'Chicago Tribune' titled as above:

'President Johnson and Secretary of Commerce Connor have been so busy lamenting the dollars spent abroad by private industry, despite their pleas for restraint, that they seem not to have noticed what the Tennessee Valley Authority is doing right under their noses. For example, the world's largest bank of electrical transformers arrived recently at New Orleans from Sweden, for the TVA power station at Widow's Creek, Alabama, where it will help the TVA distribute power far beyond its present range. Transformers have been arriving at New Orleans from Austria, at the rate of about one a month, also destined for the TVA. Still another TVA order worth more than 2 million dollars was recently placed in England. And lest anyone think that only transformers made in socialist countries will work in a socialist power system, TVA has awarded other recent contracts to companies in France and Japan.'

### OUR COVER

**A**TOMS AND YOUTH again proved a stimulating experience as our Company joined Texas' other nine investor-owned utilities and the University of Texas to stage the sixth edition of the Texas Nuclear Science Symposium June 12-15 at Austin. Some 300 of Texas' brightest high school science students and their teachers heard the latest in the world of the atom from an impressive roster of research scientists. Our Company sponsored 22 students and 17 teachers from our Beaumont, Port Arthur and Navasota divisions. Shown on a tour of the Plasma Dynamics Research Laboratory are three of our delegation, Cecile Bythewood of Beaumont French, Charlie Beckett, Jr., of Anahuac and Phillip Bagwell of Beaumont Forest Park. Dr. Arwin Dougal, left, and Dr. W. C. Duesterhoeft, second from right, both professors of electrical engineering at the University of Texas, explain the controlled fusion research they are performing under the sponsorship of the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation, made up of Gulf States and nine other investor-owned utilities.



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# News Briefs



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## HEAT WAVE HIKES KILOWATTHOUR USE

As we go to press, July's thermometer-busting heat wave continues across most of the nation, including GSU-land. Demand for electricity is setting new records almost daily. Our Company set two peak load records within the past 10 days, the latest occurring July 19, when the load reached 2,049,000 kilowatts. System generating capacity is 2,095,000 kilowatts. In addition, we are absorbing up to 25,000 kilowatts a day from the Sam Rayburn Dam which began operating this month. Through our interties with the TVA we have available another 135,000 kilowatts. So, even when the heat's on, the power is on tap.

## "GO SALES ROUTE 66" KEEPS "SALE-ING" ALONG

Latest residential Loadbuilders Report speaks well of the sales program for 1966. At year's half-way mark, the report shows percent of system quotas achieved as follows: heating 94 percent, gold medallion homes 78 percent, ranges and bronze homes 55 percent, water heaters 52 percent, dryers 49 percent and heat pumps 39 percent.

Commercial sales are ahead of quotas, too, with air conditioning at 65.2 percent, resistance heating at 60.3 percent, cooking at 59.5 percent, lighting at 54.9 percent and heat pumps at 51.1 percent. So far, 46 all-electric buildings have been added to our lines. Industrial sales, too, are on target.

Looks like the theme "Go Sales Route 66" rings true.

## FEDERAL ELECTRIC BANK SIDETRACKED...PERMANENTLY, WE HOPE.

On July 21 the House Agriculture Committee sidetracked two bills which would have established a Federal Electric Bank to make low-interest, long term loans to rural electric co-operatives. The Committee left a way open for the proponents of the bank to return next month with a compromised version. There is cause for optimism, but certainly not complacency, on our part.

## COURTESY COUNTS

These days if a customer's service is interrupted, he is understandably impatient to get it back on in a hurry. Electricity has become so much an American way of life that a 3-minute interruption stretches into a half hour "blackout" by the following day's coffee break. This is especially true during these hot days and nights. So if customers call in to report an outage, let's be even more courteous than usual in our explanation. When subdivisions blossom out with air conditioning units, it's not uncommon that load problems will develop and our facilities will need strengthening. So welcome the customer's report and thank him for calling.



## CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY FOR NEW SILSBEE OFFICE

Silsbee Gulf Staters will begin serving our Silsbee District customers from new offices around the end of the year.

Construction work began recently on a two-story office building at the corner of North Sixth Street and Avenue H and our Company has leased the downstairs area for use as a new Silsbee District office.

The masonry structure will be 90 by 70 feet with a large parking area at the rear.

## GREATEST INCREASE IN RESIDENTIAL KILOWATTHOUR CONSUMPTION REPORTED BY COMPANY IN EEI REPORTING GROUP

"A good showing" was earned from Chairman Richard when our Company turned in the highest increase in average kilowatthour usage per residential customer among the 16 West South Central electric companies reporting to the Sales Division of the Edison Electric Institute during the 12-month period ending May, 1966.

Our Company showed an increase of 442 kilowatthours over the previous 12-month period. We surpassed our neighboring utility, Houston Lighting & Power Co. by 51 Kwh and our Company was third among the 16 companies in average usage---6,092 Kwh. Leading the group was HL&P with 7,366 Kwh and Dallas Power & Light Co. with 6,824 Kwh.

Our Company's increase also tied us in eighth place with Green Mountian Power Corp. of the New England group among the 133 companies from throughout the United States reporting residential sales to EEI at the end of May.

## HUNTSVILLE STATE PARK MOVES INTO THE LEAD IN THE NUMBER OF VISITORS

It looks as if tourists are becoming aware of the fine recreational facilities in our service area. Huntsville State Park at Huntsville, Texas, has taken the lead over Garner State Park near Uvalde among Texas' state parks in the number of visitors according to "Scot Wildlife News" published in Dallas. Last year Huntsville State Park hosted 1,568,152 visitors and far exceeded the number which visited Garner Park.

On Memorial Day weekend alone, the unofficial attendance was more than 50,000 persons. The 30 available screened shelters are already reserved through Labor Day.

Tourism is fast becoming Texas and Louisiana's leading industry and with the development of area waterways and the growth of recreational facilities we can expect our service area to get a good share of this industry.





**ANNOUNCES NEW UNIT.** Chairman Richard makes the official announcement that our Company will install a 580,000 kilowatt turbo-generator at Roy S. Nelson Station at a luncheon for the mayors and city officials of Lake Charles, Sulphur and Westlake, Louisiana, on July 6. The new No. 4 unit will push Nelson Station's capacity to nearly one million kilowatts. Construction is scheduled to get underway by June, 1967, and will take a 30-month construction period.

## Lake Charles Area's Economic Outlook Prompts Location Of 580,000 Kilowatt Unit at Nelson

**CHAIRMAN RICHARD** painted a rosy economic picture of the Lake Charles, Sulphur and Westlake area and announced our plans for staying ahead of electrical demands at a luncheon meeting July 6 at which our Company hosted mayors and city officials.

"We are so confident of the economic well-being of this Gulf Coast area that we are going to spend \$42 million to expand our Roy S. Nelson Station at Westlake," Mr. Richard told the 18 "city dads".

It marked the official announcement of our plans to install a 580,000 kilowatt turbo-generator at Nelson Station, whose present capacity is 384,000 kilowatts. Mr. Richard told the group that on-site construction will start in June, 1967, and the target date for completion is November 1, 1969.

"Addition of Nelson Station's No. 4 unit—plus similar expansions already under way at two other Gulf States plants—will increase GSU's net generating capability from its present

2,095,000 kilowatts to 3,695,000 kilowatts by late 1969," Mr. Richard revealed. "It's an increase of over 70 per cent."

## Southwest Power Pool Generating Capacity to Reach New Record

**THE SOUTHWEST POWER POOL**, made up of interconnected electric companies including our Company from this area, has just completed a survey that shows a record total of generating capacity under construction or planned between now and December, 1970.

The survey revealed that the installation of 6,636,000 kilowatts is planned by pool members over the next 4½ years. Only 14 nations of the world had more capacity in 1964 than the Southwest Power Pool companies are installing between now and 1970.

The pool is made up of 15 investor-owned utilities in Texas, Louisiana,

He told the city officials that addition of the new unit will prompt 20 more permanent jobs upon completion and upwards of 400 jobs during the peak of the 30-month construction period. All but about 35 of the construction jobs will be filled through Lake Charles area union halls.

Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation of Boston, Massachusetts, will design and construct the new No. 4 unit at Nelson Station. The turbine generator will come from General Electric's New York plant and the steam generating unit will come from Babcock and Wilcox Company's Ohio plant. Westinghouse Corporation will supply the surface condensers and feedwater heaters from its Philadelphia plant.

Mr. Richard reminded the city officials that Nelson Station is one of our Company's most modern installations, going into commercial operation in 1959 with two units and a net capability of 222,000 kilowatts. A third unit was added in 1960 to boost the station's capability to its present 384,000 kilowatts.

Jim Sudduth, mayor of Lake Charles, served as spokesman for the three municipal governments and said the expansion "is indeed welcome news for everyone in this area."

Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and Mississippi.

The survey shows that individual generators under construction or on order range from 15,000-kilowatt gas turbines to 580,000-kilowatt steam units.

Included among these units are three new units of our Company—the 440,000-kilowatt unit now being installed at Sabine Power Station near Bridge City, the 580,000-kilowatt unit on which construction began last month at Willow Glen Power Station near Baton Rouge and the new 580,000-kilowatt unit that was announced earlier this month to be added to Roy S. Nelson Power Station near Lake Charles.





**OBLIGATION TO CUSTOMERS.** Carl Beaumont, general line foreman, Port Arthur Division, points out that our Company has a responsibility for service to our public and that we could not have grown without recognizing that we have an obligation to our customers.



**OUR RESPONSIBILITY.** Floyd J. Gonzales, service foreman, Baton Rouge Division, states that it is our responsibility to be conscious of our obligation to our public whenever trouble hits. We must go in high gear until service has been restored.

# Good Service, The Challenging Responsibility Of Every Gulf Stater

**R**ESPONSIBILITY, ACCORDING to Webster, is the condition of being obligated to account for something.

And be it large or small, nearly everyone should-ers responsibility of a sort.

With our Company, for example, the word has monumental connotations what with over a third of a million customers depending upon Gulf States for commodities so often taken for granted—electricity and gas. It's that way because it's there when needed. Just flip a switch or turn a knob and it's available 24 hours a day.

The Baton Rouge Sunday Advocate hit the nail on the head in an editorial that brought our Company's responsibility for continuous service into sharp focus.

"These days many of us here in Louisiana live in fear of disaster that grandfather could not have imagined. It is a disaster that could bring great suffering and hardship on us and force us to flee our homes or our offices and seek refuge with friends or relatives, in hotels or motels, or in other buildings. The disaster, of course, is a breakdown in the air conditioning unit."

It went on to say that we live today surrounded by machinery—air conditioners, refrigerators and other devices which run all the time.

"When a breakdown occurs, the sudden silence is as unnerving as the inexorable rise in temperatures," concluded the Sunday Advocate editorial writer.

A bonafide challenge has been dropped at our feet. Our task, or responsibility, is clear. We must show our public that we deserve the responsibility. Only we, the employees, can do it by providing continuous service and restoring service in the quickest possible time when interruptions occur. Nothing short of dedication to the task will do.





**A WAY OF LIFE.** E. L. Priest, assistant general line foreman, Beaumont Division, believes that Gulf Staters should never lose sight of the seriousness of our responsibility to our customers . . . a constant supply of electricity. "Responsibility is more than a day's work. It's a way of life," he says.

It's an old but still challenging story among our Company's operating personnel. They live with it 24 hours daily which makes it a way of life for them, all the way down to the youngest Line or Gas Department helper.

"You might compare our service with a railroad serving a distant and isolated town," observed E. L. Priest, assistant general line foreman, Beaumont Division. "If something should happen, the town's whole pattern of life would come to a standstill. Disrupted electric service can affect not only the routine way of life for a community or city but also the entire economy if interruptions are prolonged. The finest homes and offices that can be built revert to primitive stages when electricity goes off.

"We never lose sight of the seriousness of this sort of thing whether we're at work or at home. Our whole organization is geared to maintaining a constant supply of electricity and restoring it as quickly as humanly possible when trouble occurs. To me, responsibility is more than a day's work . . . it's a way of life for Gulf Staters."

Floyd J. Gonzales, service foreman, Baton Rouge Division, seconds Mr. Priest.

"I feel we have an obligation to our public and, like other Gulf Staters, I'm conscious of it wherever I might be at whatever time trouble hits," Mr. Gonzales said. "Regardless of the trouble—be it a small distribution line or a major high line—we

go into high gear until service has been restored to our customers. It's our responsibility."

Carl Beaumont, general line foreman, Port Arthur Division, points to our complex but finely organized disaster and trouble plans as evidence of how seriously our Company feels about a responsibility to its public.

"When a trouble call comes in, we go into action quickly and like clockwork," Mr. Beaumont said. "It's taken a lot of time, research and training but today there's nothing left to chance from a feeder outage all the way up to a major disaster. We've come this far because management and employees alike recognize an obligation to our customers."

Ernest Kelly, utility foreman, Denham Springs, knows that responsibility is no less in our smaller towns and communities.

"People everywhere depend upon electricity more and more every day," Mr. Kelly said, "and they don't realize its value completely until service is lost. Most of the time I don't even wait for a call when the lights go off at home. I hit the truck and take off.

"It's a challenge to all of us when our public is inconvenienced by the loss of power. It's a responsibility we can't take lightly."



**PRESENTS A CHALLENGE.** Ernest Kelly, utility foreman, Denham Spring, believes that it's a challenge to all Gulf Staters when our public is inconvenienced and that it places a big responsibility on all of us.





HOW IT'S DONE. That's what Earl Outcalt of General Atomic, left, tells Joe Hines, Jr., middle, and Lee Etheridge, a teacher and student, respectively, from Cleveland

High School, about his role in controlled fusion research during the science conference. This was the sixth symposium to be co-sponsored by our Company.

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## University of Texas' Nuclear Symposium Draws State's Outstanding Students



**A**TOMS AND YOUTH spell energy and there was plenty of each on the campus of the University of Texas June 12-15.

The occasion was the sixth annual Texas Nuclear Science Symposium, a knowledge explosion which attracted the cream of Texas' high school science crop and their teachers. Over 500 were on hand for the four-day conference, which featured lectures by several of the nation's leading nuclear scientists, tours of research facilities and a lengthy exposure to the latest in atomic exploits, problems and challenges.

The symposium is staged jointly each year by the University of Texas and the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation—made up of Gulf States and nine other investor-owned electric utilities in Texas. Our Company paid all expenses for 39 students and teachers in attendance from our Beaumont, Port Arthur and Navasota divisions.

What do companies get in return for playing intellectual Santas each summer? Utility representatives who handle the symposium say a "shot in the arm" in public relations and a headstart on recruiting some of the top talent in the next generation of scientists and technicians. The immediate goal of the conferences, of course, is to stimulate students to pursue careers in science and engineering. But it's hardly incidental that the symposiums are also helping develop a reservoir of long-term good-will among the students and

their parents, friends, local schools and with the general public.

Our Company's delegation, composed of 22 students and 17 teachers, was carefully-screened and selected by school administrators on the basis of outstanding academic and scientific aptitude. The youngsters, most of whom had just received high school diplomas a week or two earlier, weren't expected to grasp the entire content of the symposium lectures. They were given an exposure to the drama of the atom, however, and if they found it interesting they had the opportunity to talk at length with an impressive roster of scientific figures. Many students found it that fascinating and the discussions often stole the show.

Participants heard such scientific notables as Dr. Charles Wharton of General Atomic talk on research in controlled thermonuclear reactions and Dr. E. C. Creutz, vice president of General Atomic, speak on research for the nuclear industry. Small group discussions were popular with the students because it gave them a chance to talk off-the-cuff with the scientists about career opportunities as well as actual research progress. Tours, always a favorite among both students and teachers, included stops at an atomic reactor, a computation center, a digital computer, an electron microscope and laboratories where ion cyclotron resonance heating, civil engineering testing, thermonuclear plasma compressions, plasma injection and electron diffraction—to mention a few—were under way.



**SYMPOSIUM SITE.** Students and teachers scurry to classes during the four-day symposium on the University of Texas campus. All 500 were quartered in air-conditioned Kinsolving Dormitory.



**BRAIN SESSION.** One of the most popular parts of the symposium program was the small, informal group discussion, which brought the participants together with the lecturers for off-the-cuff discussions.





**TELLS OF OUR ASSISTANCE.** Lloyd N. Brannan, supervisor of area development, talked on our Company's area development activities during the Navasota Economic Development Clinic June 23 at our division office auditorium. Purpose of the one-day clinic was to provide Navasota community leaders with the know-how in preparing for and attracting new industry.

## Industrial Clinic Provides Development Know-How

**T**HE MESSAGE WAS CLEAR, to the point and sobering.

provide know-how in preparing for and attracting new industry.

"Some 260 small towns will cease to exist between now and the year 2,000 simply because they don't fit into the dynamic growing pattern of Texas," said Harry Clark, executive director of the Texas Industrial Commission.

He was speaking to Navasota, Texas, business leaders during the June 23 Navasota Economic Development Clinic at our Company's division office auditorium. Navasota isn't interested in "phasing out" of existence. To the contrary, community leaders are setting a clearly-defined course toward progress.

The clinic, which drew over 70 participants, was one of the community-wide educational vehicles, according to Albert Miller, head of Navasota's Industrial Development Committee. Purpose of the clinic was to

"Industry goes somewhere for two reasons," Mr. Clark told the group. "First, a business goes where it can make a profit—whether the reason is labor, transportation or raw materials. Secondly, an industry chooses a certain place because of an intangible factor where personalities of the firm and the community dove tail. Something in the town must appeal to industry."

Our Company's Lloyd Brannan, supervisor of area development, was one of the clinic's nine speakers. He told the audience of services and assistance available from our Company in area development activities. Other speakers came from the Texas Industrial Commission, a telephone company, three railroads, a gas company and the economics research department at Texas A&M University.

Program participants got a first-hand look at the city and its industrial sites and buildings before the clinic began. The climax came at a community fish fry at Fireman's Hall that evening, when Mr. Clark delivered his best shots to Navasota residents in a hard-hitting talk on "The Citizens' Role In Industrial Development."

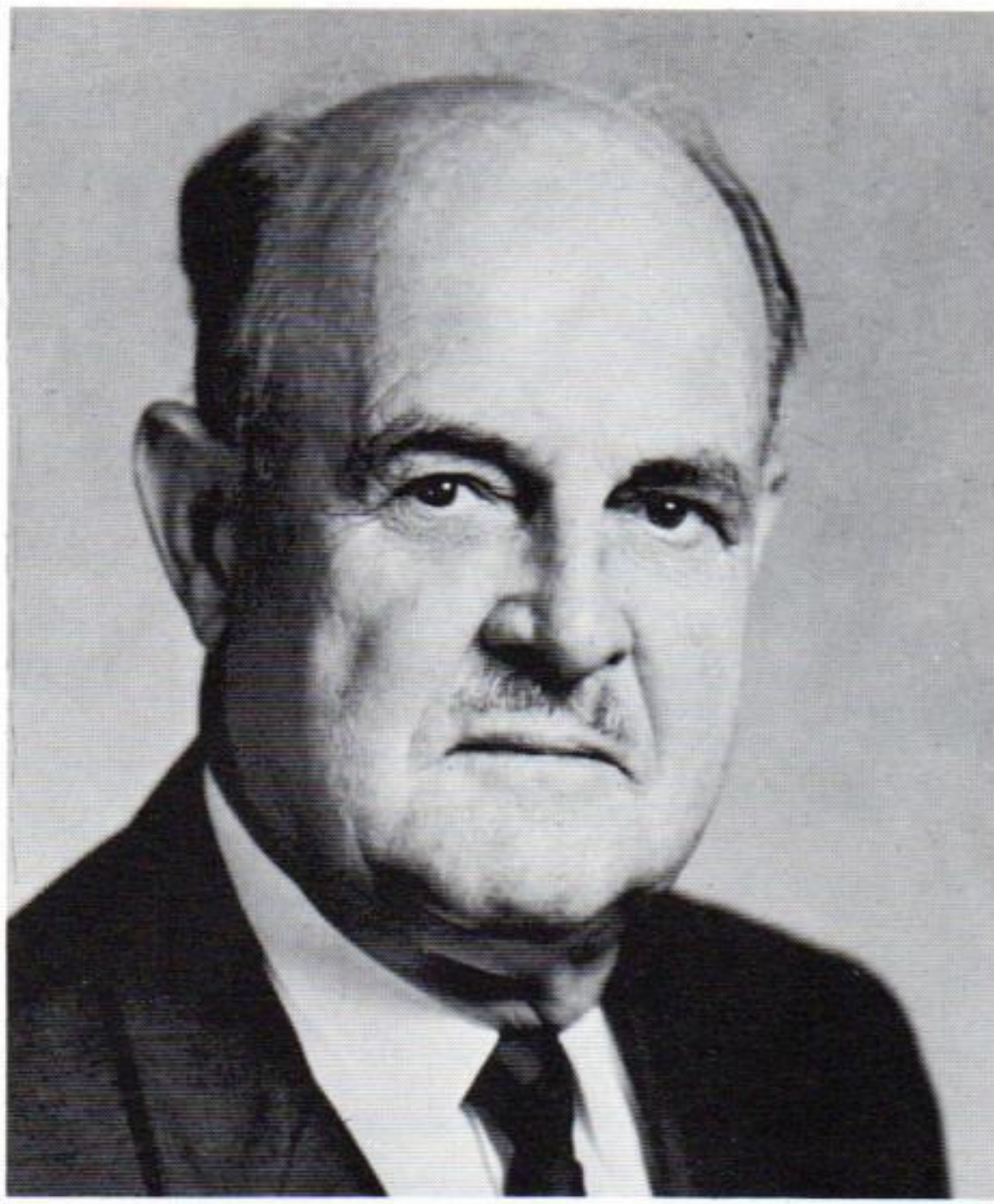


**DOWN TO BUSINESS.** Two of the 70 business leaders attending the Navasota Economic Development Clinic note some interesting plans for attracting new industry to their town. It was the 16th such clinic staged by the Texas Industrial Commission since inauguration of the program last fall.





J. Kirby Jones



J. O. Bauman

## Kirby Jones, J. O. Bauman To Retire August 1

**J. KIRBY JONES**, superintendent of sales for Port Arthur Division, will retire August 1. He completed 40 years of service on July 5.

Mr. Jones began his career at Beaumont in the Production Department of one of our predecessor companies, Eastern Texas Electric Company, as an oiler at the old Tevis Street Power Plant in August, 1920. He progressed to fireman, engineer and system load dispatcher before quitting to return to school. He attended South Park Junior College from 1928 to 1930. He was graduated from Texas A&M College in 1933 with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

He then returned to the Company as an engineer in the T&D at Beaumont. He was promoted to power sales engineer in 1938.

In January, 1941, he left for service with the U. S. Army for five years. He served in the Southwest Pacific area for 2½ years. He was a major in Ordnance. He returned to the Company in October, 1945, as a power sales engineer at Beaumont. He was promoted to superintendent of sales

in November, 1947, and transferred to Port Arthur Division.

A native of Edgerly, Louisiana, Mr. Jones is married to the former Helen Pauline Moore of Gainesville, Texas. They have one daughter, Mrs. Madison B. Wright, Jr. of Lake Jackson, Texas, and one grandson, Madison, III.

Mr. Jones has long been active in area civic affairs. He is a past president of the Beaumont A&M Club. He has served on the board of directors of the Retail Merchants Association, the United Fund, Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce, and was on the board of deacons of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Jones is presently serving on the board of directors of the Port Arthur Club, is vice chairman of the board of directors and chairman of the new building, grounds and new equipment committee of Port Arthur College. He is a member of the Sabine Area Sales and Marketing Executives Club, having served as secretary in 1954, a member of the board of ruling elders of Westminster Presbyterian Church, a member of Port Arthur

Lions Club, having served as president in 1951 and a member of the CavOIL-Cade Commodores, having served as chief Commodore for 1962.

He is also a member of the Masons, American Legion and Port Arthur Country Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones will continue to make their home at 4625 Sunken Court in Port Arthur following his retirement.

**J. O. BAUMAN**, electric maintenance supervisor at Louisiana Station, Baton Rouge, will retire August 1. He has completed almost 50 years of service in the electrical utilities field.

Mr. Bauman began work on February 1, 1917. He joined our Company on January 8, 1927, at Beaumont after being employed by affiliated companies, Pensacola Electric Company and Alabama Power Company. He was transferred to Baton Rouge and Louisiana Station in 1943 as a master electrician. He was named electrician foreman in 1947 and has been electrical maintenance supervisor since 1959.

A native of St. Louis, Missouri, Mr. Bauman was reared and educated at Pensacola, Fla. He is married to the former Eva Blackmon of Eufaula, Alabama. They are members of the First Baptist Church in Baton Rouge.

The Baumans live at 3126 Monroe Ave., Baton Rouge, but plan to move to Florida following retirement and spend their time camping, fishing and traveling over the United States.

*If a thousand men fail at a task and all of them agree that it cannot be done, their contention is negated by one person who succeeds at the task. The fact that he did it proves that it CAN be done. Millions may be held back and broken by handicaps, but if only one individual achieves success in spite of a handicap, this proves that handicaps need not and should not be a barrier.—Eric Butterworth in GOOD BUSINESS.*



# Watler, Strong Promoted To New Positions At Nelson Station

**CEDRIC H. WATLER**, formerly operation supervisor at Roy S. Nelson Station, has been promoted to maintenance supervisor and **W. Garland Strong, Sr.**, formerly operation and maintenance supervisor at Riverside Station, has been promoted to operation supervisor and transferred to Nelson Station.

Mr. Watler, a native of Grand Cayman, British West Indies, has been with our Company since 1936 when he came to work as an oiler at the old Lakeside Station in Port Arthur. He progressed to station clerk by 1937 and was transferred to Neches Station in 1938 as an assistant fireman. He progressed through various production classifications at Neches Station until named station engineer in 1954. He was promoted to operation supervisor in 1958 and transferred to Roy S. Nelson Station in Lake Charles.

Mr. Watler is married to the former Anita Beatrice Dixon of Beaumont and they have four children, Mrs. Scot Jacobsen of Carlyss, Louisiana, Mrs. Glen Guillet of Beaumont, Betsy and Reggie, Lake Charles.



Cedric Watler

The Watlers are members of the first Presbyterian Church of Lake Charles where he is an elder. He is a past president and member of the Industrial Management Club of Lake Charles, a member of the Louisiana Engineering Society, a member of the Lake Charles Association of Commerce and a member and a director of the West Calcasieu Association of Commerce.

Mr. Strong, a native of Roscoe, Texas, joined our Company in 1928



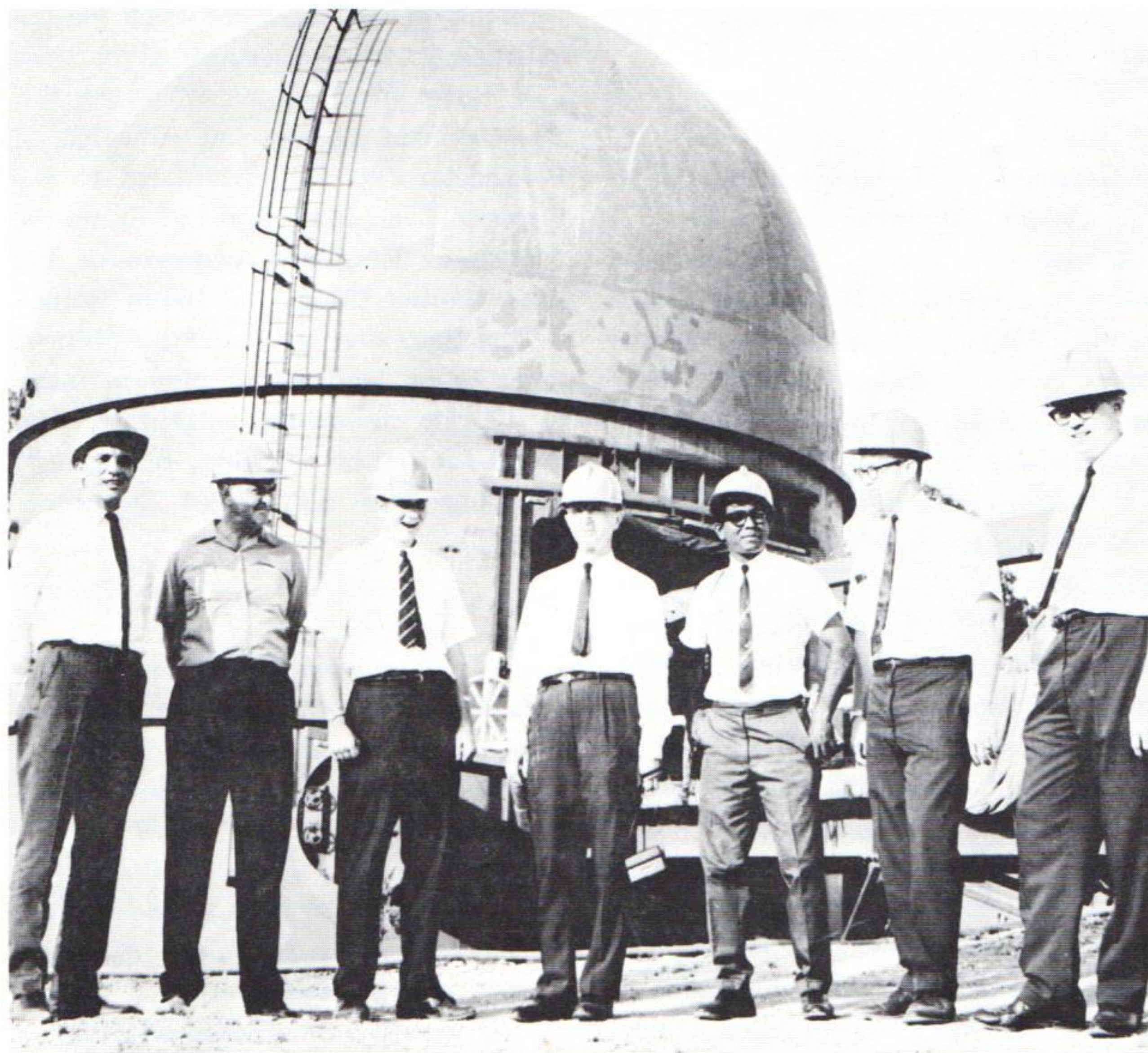
Garland Strong

as an assistant fireman at Neches Station. He progressed through various positions to station engineer in 1949 and was transferred to Riverside Station in Lake Charles. He was

promoted to operation supervisor at Riverside in 1958 and was named operation and maintenance supervisor in 1962.

Mr. Strong is married to the former Margie Adams of Jasper, Texas, and they have four children, Walter, a 1966 LSU Law School graduate; Martha, a school teacher in Houston; Myra, a student at LSU; and Pat, a 1966 graduate of Sulphur High School.

The Strongs are members of the Maplewood Methodist Church where he is a charge lay leader. He is president of the West Calcasieu Association of Commerce and is a member of the West Calcasieu Kiwanis Club.



**AGGIES VISIT OUR RESEARCH FACILITY.** Our Company played host to nuclear engineering graduate students of Texas A&M at one of our three atomic research projects, SEFOR at Fayetteville, Arkansas, during June. From left are Dr. W. H. Kohler, assistant professor of nuclear engineering at Texas A&M, and Bill Brandon, industrial development counselor for Southwestern Electric Power Company. Our Company's H. E. Mortimer, assistant to the board chairman, is in the middle. Others are Texas A&M students.

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Camp Fire Girls





**THE WINNERS.** Members of Beaumont's "Big Ten" bowling league line up with their trophies at the annual award dinner in the Royal Manor Restaurant.



**TOP TEAM.** The "Power Houses" bowled their way to top team honors during the past bowling season. Team members are, left to right, Willie Wilson, Flo Wenzell, Larry Wenzell, Betty McLean and Myrl Hollyfield.

## "Top Ten" Bowlers Presented Awards

**A**LL BOWLERS WHO WERE the recipients of trophies in the Gulf States' "Big Ten" bowling league in Beaumont, climaxed the season's bowling, June 21, with an awards dinner at the Royal Manor Restaurant in Beaumont.

Flo Wenzell, vice president of the league, was called on at the last minute when the outgoing president, Bill Hollins, suffered a snake bite early that day and was unable to attend.

The program included the presentation of trophies and election of officers for the 1966-67 season, who are as follows:

President .....	E. C. Van Eman
Vice President .....	Muriel Hayes
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Myrl Hollyfield

League play will resume in September. Those interested should contact Myrl Hollyfield, Ext. 615.



**INDIVIDUAL WINNERS.** Individual award winners included, left to right: Nathan Knox, men's high series with handicap, 710; June Tompkins, women's high series with handicap, 646; Muriel Hayes, high average for women, 147; Flo Wenzell, high average for women, 147; Ken Londers, high average for men, 176. Not pictured was Bill Hollins, high game with handicap, 260.



**NEW LIONS OFFICERS.** John Bordelon, fourth from left, was recently elected third vice president of the Jennings Lions Club. Mr. Bordelon is a residential sales representative in Jennings. Other officers are Warren Comeaux, president, Bill Welborn, first vice president, Arthur Bonin, second vice president, Joe Hardin, treasurer, William Evans, secretary. (Photo courtesy of the Jennings Daily News.)

## gulf staters in the news

**John Bordelon**, residential sales representative, Jennings, was named "Secretary-of-the-Year" for District 8-0 at the state Lions Convention at Baton Rouge last month. District 8-0 is comprised of clubs in Southwest Louisiana and 38 secretaries were in competition for the honor. Mr. Bordelon has also been elected third vice president of the Jennings Lions Club.

**Eddie Belair**, storekeeper, Jennings, has been elected a second year director of the Jennings Lions Club.



# Baton Rouge Employees

## Qualify for Prizes

## In Fishing Rodeo

**C**OMPANY FISHERMEN spent a busy week, May 27-June 5, trying to qualify for 311 prizes in the 11th Annual Fishing Rodeo at Baton Rouge.

The rodeo was held at Old River and False River and enough fish were caught to cover the 133 winning places. Prizes were awarded to rodeo winners on June 13 at Louisiana Station's assembly hall.



**FIRST PLACE WINNER.** Joe Mayeux, Baton Rouge Line Department, received a reel, rod, tackle box, ice box, camp stove and two boat cushions for this first place bass.



**TOP WINNERS.** First place winners in the fishing contest were Gene Smith, Mrs. Ann Kent, Mrs. Van Bush, Webb Umberger, Roger Aucoin, Bobby Kirkpatrick and Joe Mayeux.



**FISHING RODEO COMMITTEE.** The committee for Baton Rouge's 11th Annual Fishing Rodeo go over the entries before the prizes were awarded on June 13. Committeemen were, left to right, Bobby Kirkpatrick, James Gremillion, Francis Amedee, Paul Bernard, John Hood, Jimmy Harvey and Don Blue. Mr. Blue was chairman of the fishing rodeo and Mr. Hood was secretary.



**WINNING KIDS.** Winners in the Junior Division show off their winnings. They are, first row, left to right, Dwain Bernard, Gene Smith and Jess Easley, second row, Billy Smith, Lois Easley, Kyle Kirkpatrick; third row, Dianne Henderson and Malcolm Kelly.



**ALL OF THIS?** Sammie McKenzie, Louisiana Station, does a juggling act with the prizes he won for his fourth place bass. Prizes included an ice chest, rod, reel and two boat cushions.





C. A. Davis

## C. A. Davis, Baton Rouge, Dies Following Long Illness

**C**ARL ALLEN DAVIS, SR., 41, died at his residence in Denham Springs on July 4 following a long illness.

Mr. Davis joined our Company at Baton Rouge in 1948 and was a truck-driver in the Baton Rouge T&D when he went on a leave of absence because of illness in July, 1960. He was placed on total and permanent disability in September, 1960.

A native of Ponchatoula, Louisiana, he served in the U. S. Navy during World War II.

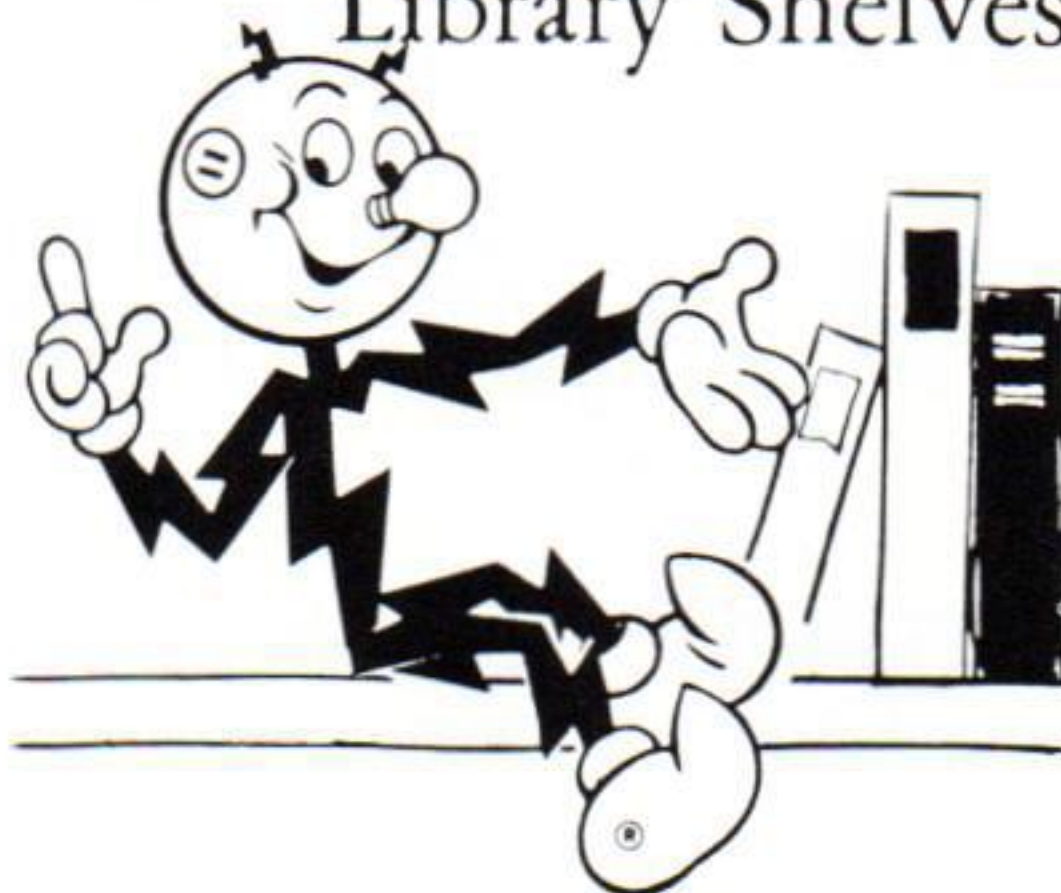
He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Verna Averett Davis of Route 1, Denham Springs; five sons, C. A. Jr., Larry Wayne, Kenneth Earl, Gerald Glen and David Charles, all of Denham Springs; two sisters and a brother.

## Sympathy to:

**R. M. Craig**, division engineer, Nava-sota, on the death of his father, R. E. Craig, 93, of Hamilton, Texas, on July 11.

**Warren W. Anderson**, master repairman, Nelson Station, on the death of his father, Arthur L. Anderson, in Seneca, Missouri.

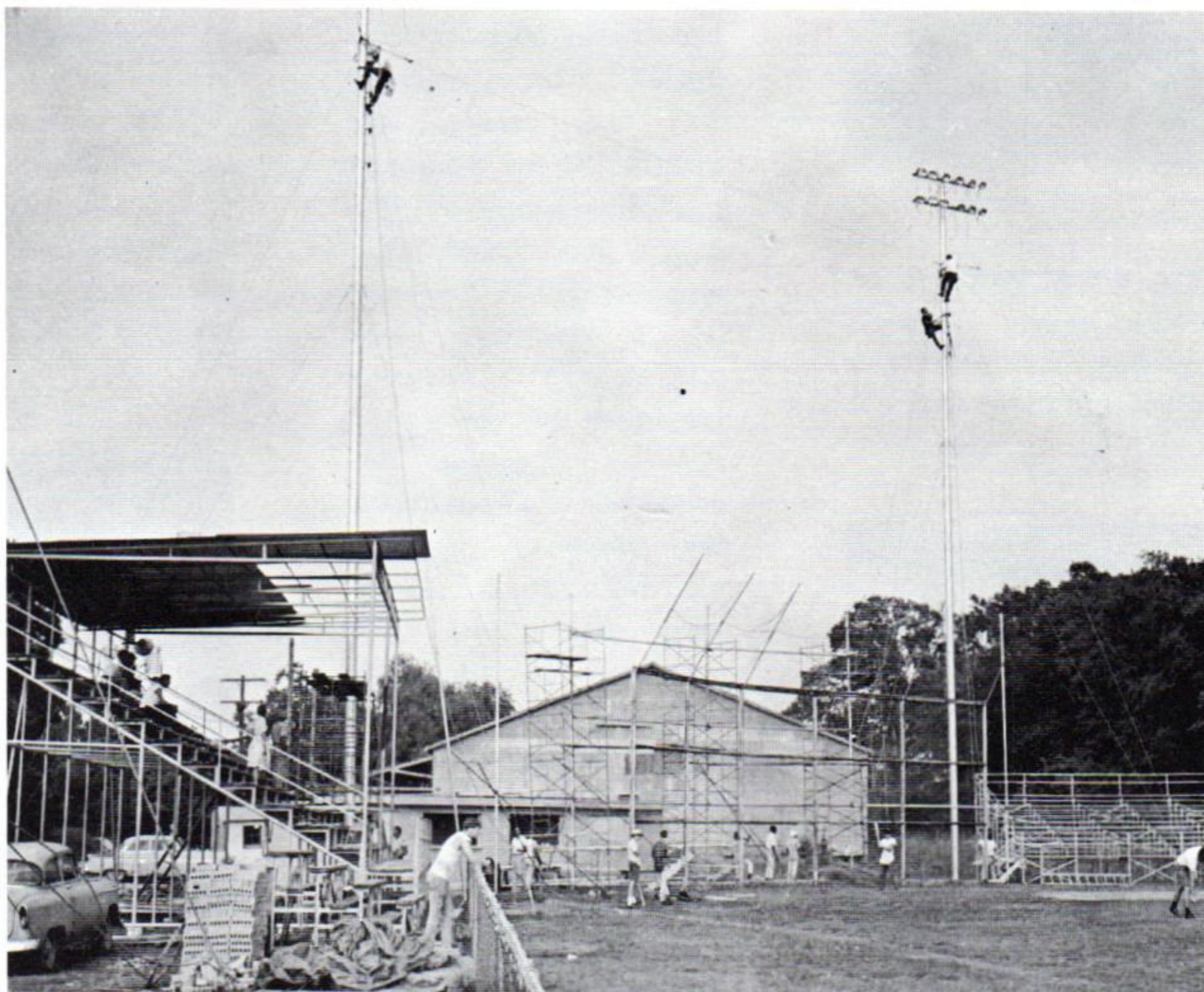
## On Our Library Shelves



*The following is a list of new books recently added to the Company Library in Beaumont. The library contains a large number of books and periodicals on a variety of subjects. These may be checked out for use by employees throughout the system. You are urged to make use of this facility.*

**Sons of the South** by Clayton Rand. One hundred gallant men from the American South come to life with special emphasis on the Civil War. It is a stirring tribute to those who have added to the greatness of the nation and the glory of the South.

**Handbook of Mathematical Functions with Formulas, Graphs, and Mathematical Tables** by the National Bureau of Standards. Prepared to try to meet the needs of all table users, but will in many cases acquaint its users with new functions.



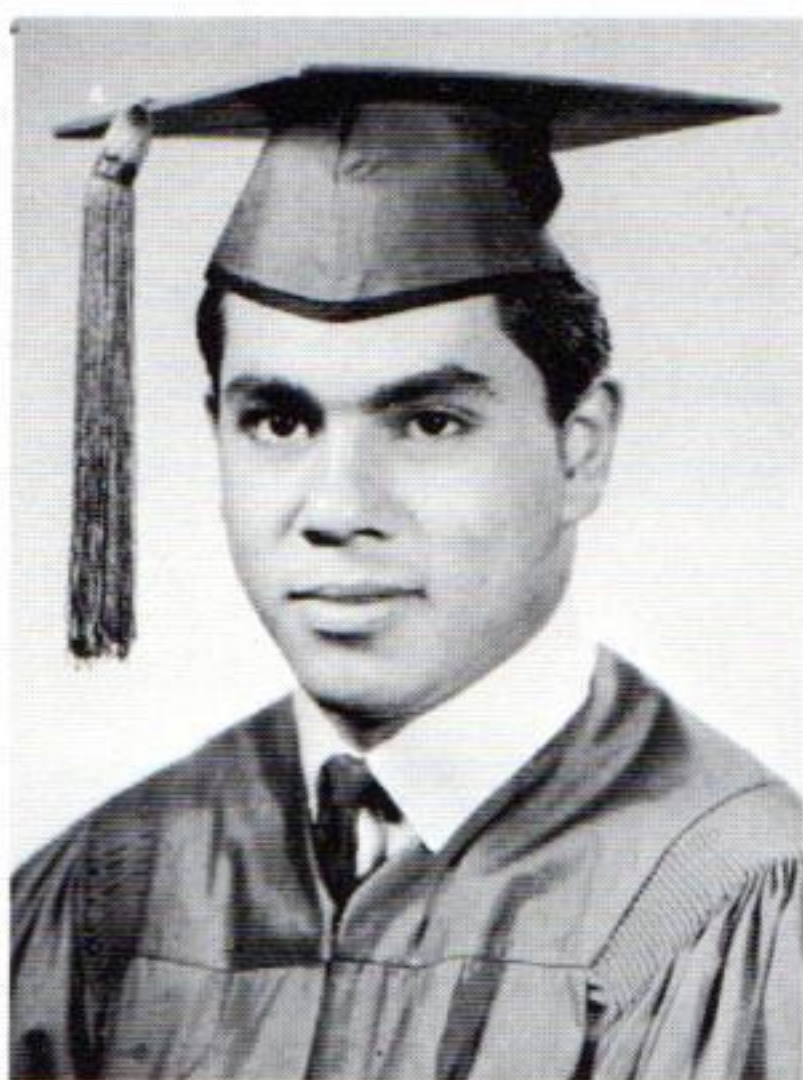
**THE FIELD THAT A COMMUNITY BUILT.** Crews from the Beaumont Line Department work on the lighting system at the new Beaumont Youth Baseball Association field on Smart Street. Estimated cost of the project is \$50,000, but donations of materials, tools, welding materials, a 30-ton crane and labor by professionals and members of the organization cut the cost by three-quarters. Gulf Staters volunteered to work on the electrical system on their own time as their part of this community effort. Colt League, Connie Mack League and Beaumont High School games will be played on the diamond, which was dedicated as Price Daniel Field, during the District Three Colt League Tournament on July 20. Former Texas Governor Daniel was present at the dedication ceremonies.



# Congratulations 1966 Graduates

**E**ACH YEAR THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS of Gulf Staters graduate from high school and college. PLAIN TALKS is honoring these graduates, along with an employee and an employee's wife, this month with their photographs and bio-

graphical sketches. Following the graduates' section are the photographs and information on Gulf States children who earned honors during the 1965-66 school year. To all of these students, PLAIN TALKS offers congratulations and best wishes.



**PETE ABAD**

Pete, son of Pedro Abad, janitor in the Navasota Division Headquarters, is a 1966 graduate of Navasota High School.

urer of the O. E. Club and was a member of the Future Business Leaders of America, Girls Athletic Association, the Y-Teens, Future Homemakers of America, and was Red Cross representative and a member of Mu Sigma Honor Society. On Academic Day she received two awards, "Most Outstanding Office Education Student" and "Most Outstanding Home Economics IV Student." Jeanette is now a full-time employee of the Baton Rouge Customer Accounting Department. She plans to continue working for our Company and attend LSU part-time in the fall. She is the daughter of Mrs. Thelma C. Alexander, Baton Rouge.

Nancy Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, mechanical maintenance foreman, Louisiana Station. She was graduated from LSU with a BS in elementary education. She will teach first grade in Pasadena, Texas. While in college she was a member of the Student National Education Association, the Association of Childhood Education and Delta Gamma Sorority.

can Field Service, the French Club, Heralds and Repertoire Players. She served on the Maroon Convention Cabinet, was vice president of homeroom for two years and secretary during her senior year. She was vice president of Soit Horizan Group, member of Psi Lambda Tri-Hi-Y, Grand Cross Color Bearer in Order of Rainbow and 1965 Cav-OILCade Princess representing Port Arthur Shrine Club. She is enrolled in Lamar Tech majoring in special education.

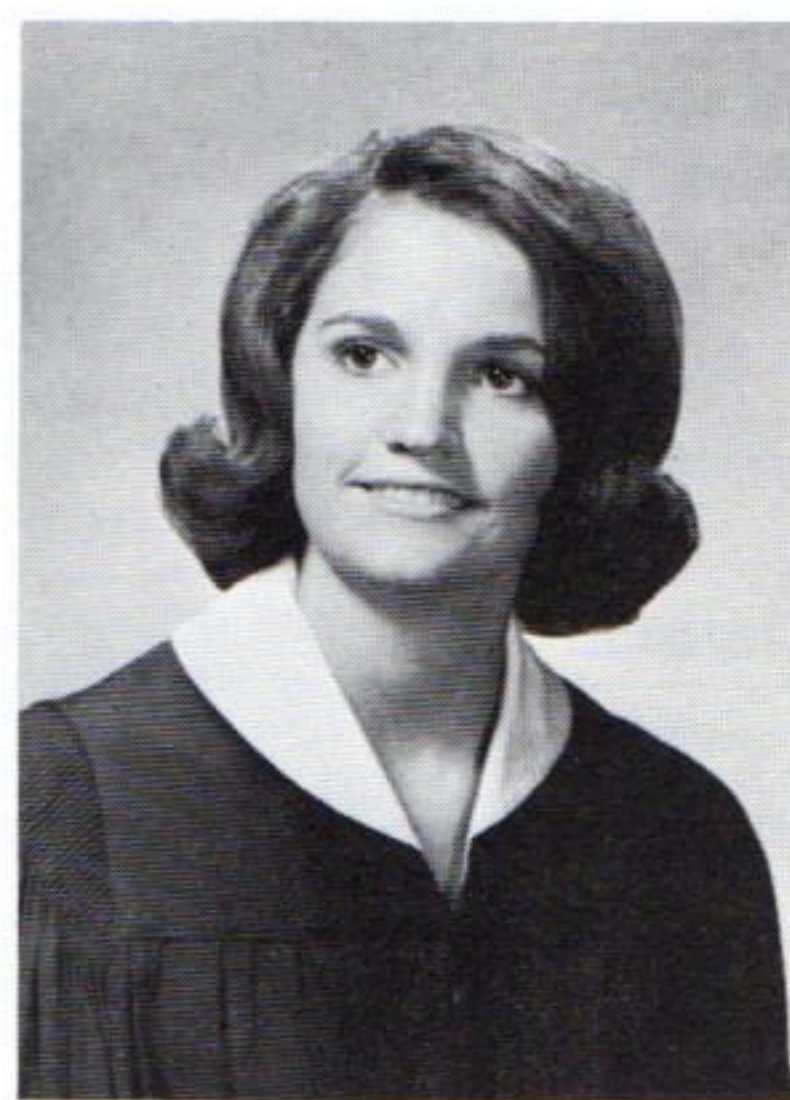


**JEANETTE ALEXANDER**

Jeanette was a part-time employee of our Company last year in Baton Rouge while a member of the Office Education Club at Istrouma High School. She was treas-

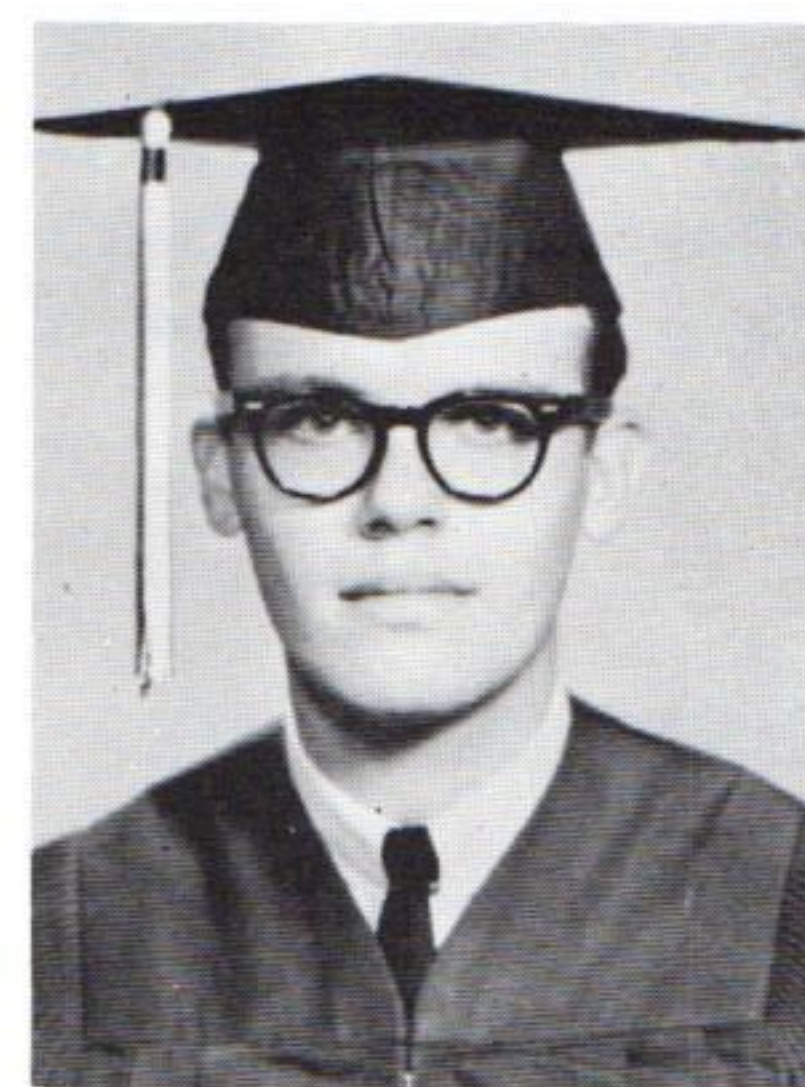


**NANCY KATHRYN ANDERSON**



**PATRICIA ANDREWS**

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Andrews, Port Arthur, Patricia is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School, Port Arthur. She was a member of the Maroon and Gold Band, Ameri-

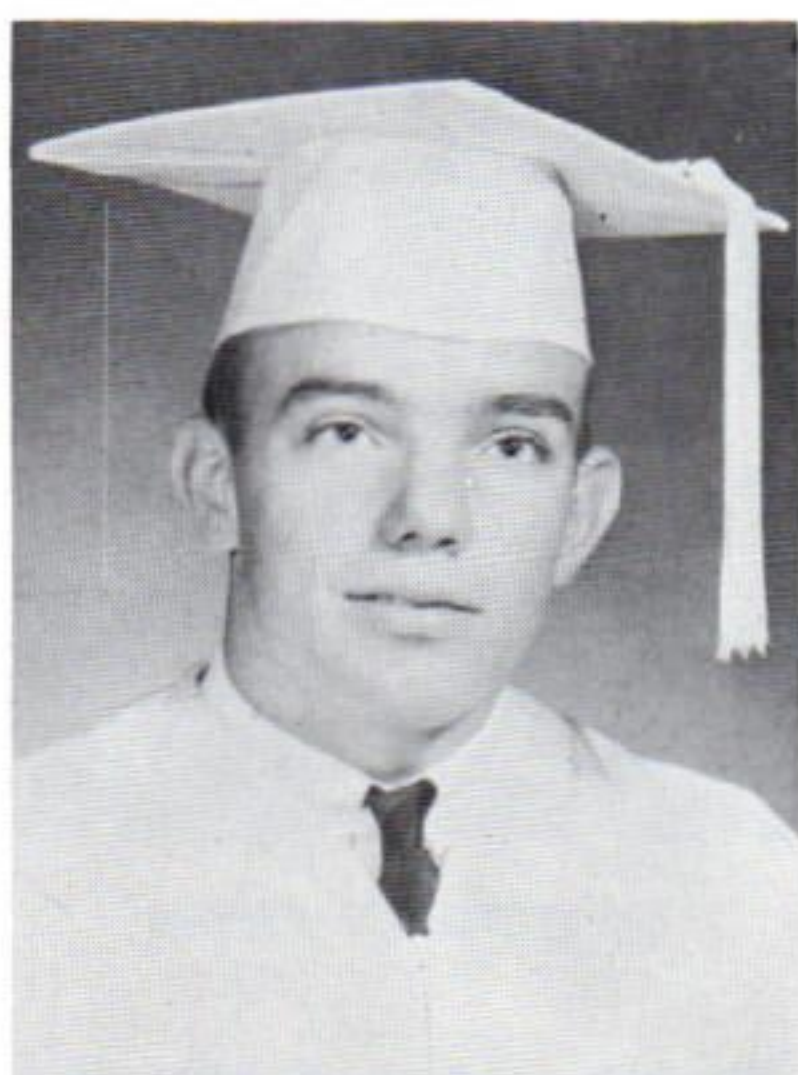


**PAUL WAYNE ANAWATY**

Paul Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Anawaty, Beaumont T&D,



was graduated Magna Cum Laude from South Park High School. He was a member of the National Honor Society, regional and all-state choirs. He received awards for creative writing, American history and Spanish. He lettered in tennis and golf. He is a member and an officer of the Frank P. Decker Chapter, Order of DeMolay. He is a member of the Chapel and Adult choirs at the First Baptist Church and for two years he was assistant director of the Concord Choir. He plans to enter the Lamar Tech School of Engineering. He is employed this summer at Neches Station.



**ELDON EARL ATKINSON, JR.**

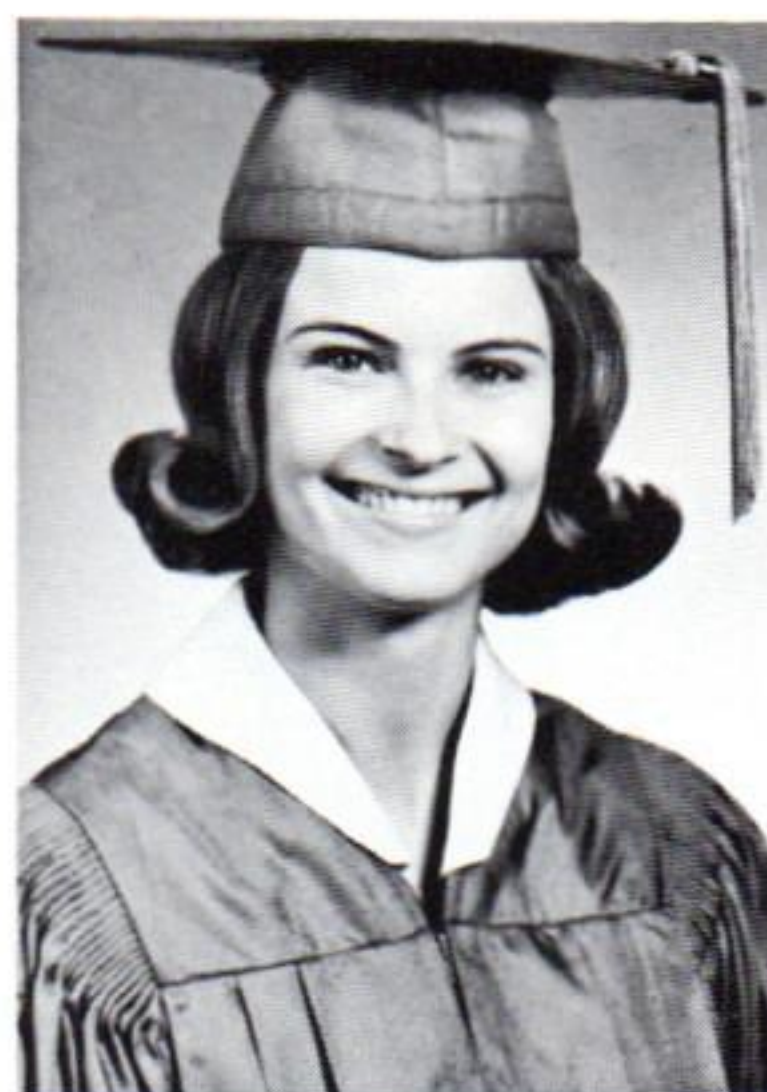
The son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Atkinson, Sr., control foreman at Willow Glen Station, Eldon Earl, Jr., is a graduate of Glen Oaks High School at Baton Rouge where he belonged to the Key Club, Beta Club, student council and the Panther Club. He lettered in varsity baseball and basketball. He received the Sons of the American Revolution citizenship award and finished fourth in a senior class

of 200 with a grade average of 3.78. He won the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science award and the school Physics award. He placed fourth in physics at the district rally at Lafayette. He was voted "Most Intelligent" of the senior class. Earl is currently working in the Baton Rouge Engineering Department. He plans to attend LSU and major in chemical engineering or nuclear physics.



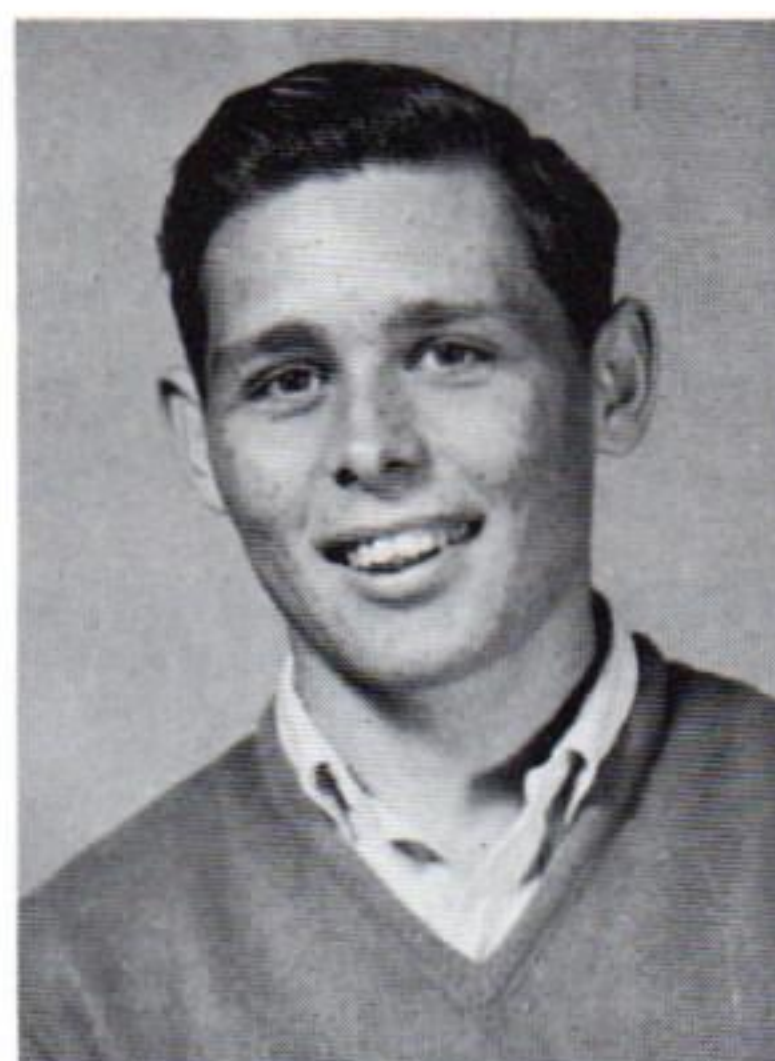
**RICHARD IRWIN BAGWELL**

Richard Irwin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bagwell, appliance repairman at Sulphur, and is a graduate of Sulphur High School. He was a member of the junior varsity football team and the science club. He is a member of the Sulphur chapter, Order of DeMolay, and is now senior councilor. Richard is presently attending McNeese State College where he is majoring in marketing in business administration.



**CHARLENE BLACKWELL**

Charlene, a graduate of Baton Rouge's Istrouma High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Blackwell, Louisiana Station. She was vice president of the Pepsters and was a member of the Pepsterettes, Pow Wow Staff, FHA, French Club and G.A.A. She is now attending Southeastern Louisiana College at Hammond and plans to major in education.



**CHARLES DAVID BOYKIN**

The son of John D. Boykin, party chief, Lake Charles, is employed this summer in the Records Department in Beaumont. He is a graduate of Beaumont's French High School where he was a member of the baseball team and lettered his junior and senior years. He plans to attend Lamar Tech in the fall.



**PRICE BRADSHAW, JR.**

Price, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Price Bradshaw, test engineer, Neches Station, received his BA in history from Lamar Tech and has received an assistantship in the University of Houston's History Department for work on his master's degree. At Lamar he was a member of the German Club and captain of the winning team in the "Battle of the Brains."



**ANN BRADY HOLLAND**

Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tullie Brady of Clinton, was graduated from Louisiana College, Pineville, Magna Cum Laude with a mathematics major. She will teach mathematics at Alexandria. She was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, honorary education organization, and

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Alpha Chi, national honorary organization. Mr. Brady is assistant to the general line foreman at Baton Rouge.



**NANCY BRANNAN**

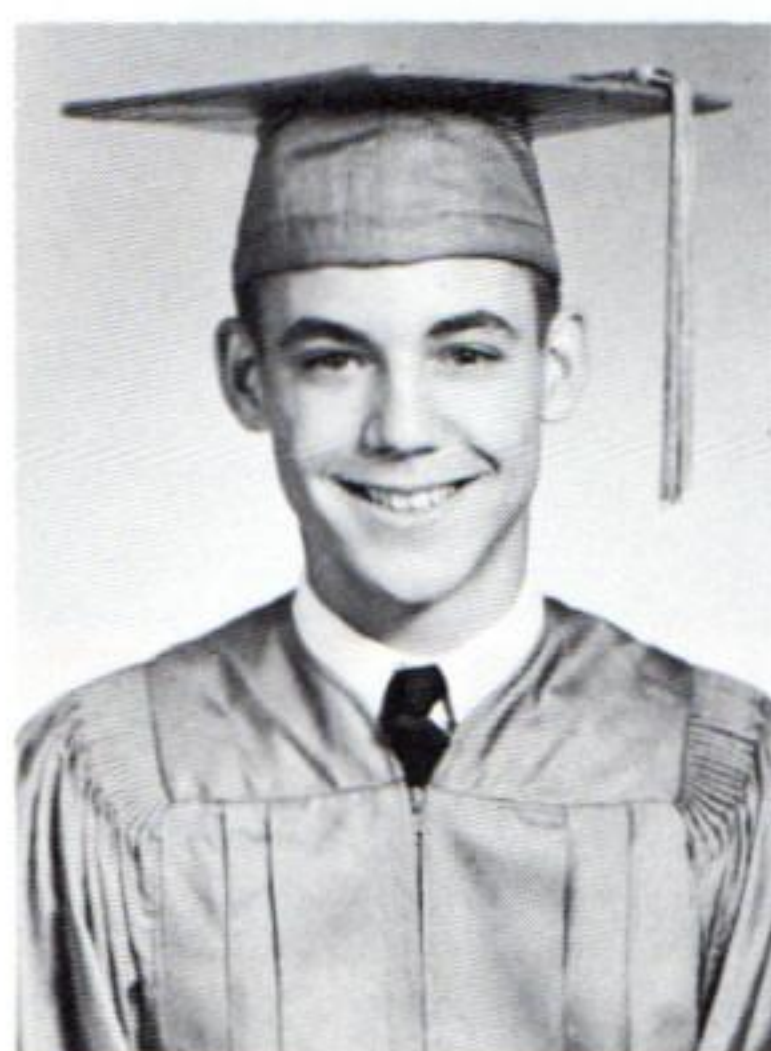
Nancy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Brannan, he's supervisor of area development, Beaumont, was graduated from Lamar Tech with a BS in commercial art. At Lamar she was a member of Kappa Pi, honorary art fraternity, and the Blotter Press. She is a 1962 graduate of Beaumont High School and attended Texas Women's University at Denton for two years. Nancy is employed this summer as an artist in System Advertising, Beaumont. She plans to enter graduate school in the fall.



**LILY BRAUNE**

The wife of A. E. Braune, a substation mechanic at Navasota,

Mrs. Braune received her BS degree from Sam Houston State College in Huntsville.



**BERNARD L. CAMPO, III**

A graduate of Istrouma High School, Bernard is the son of Bernard L. Campo, Jr., supervisor of meter reading, Baton Rouge. He was a member of Mu Sigma Honorary Society, vice president of the German Club and worked in Junior Achievement for three years. He received a scholarship from Junior Achievement and is presently attending LSU where he plans to major in chemical engineering.



**CYNTHIA CANNON**

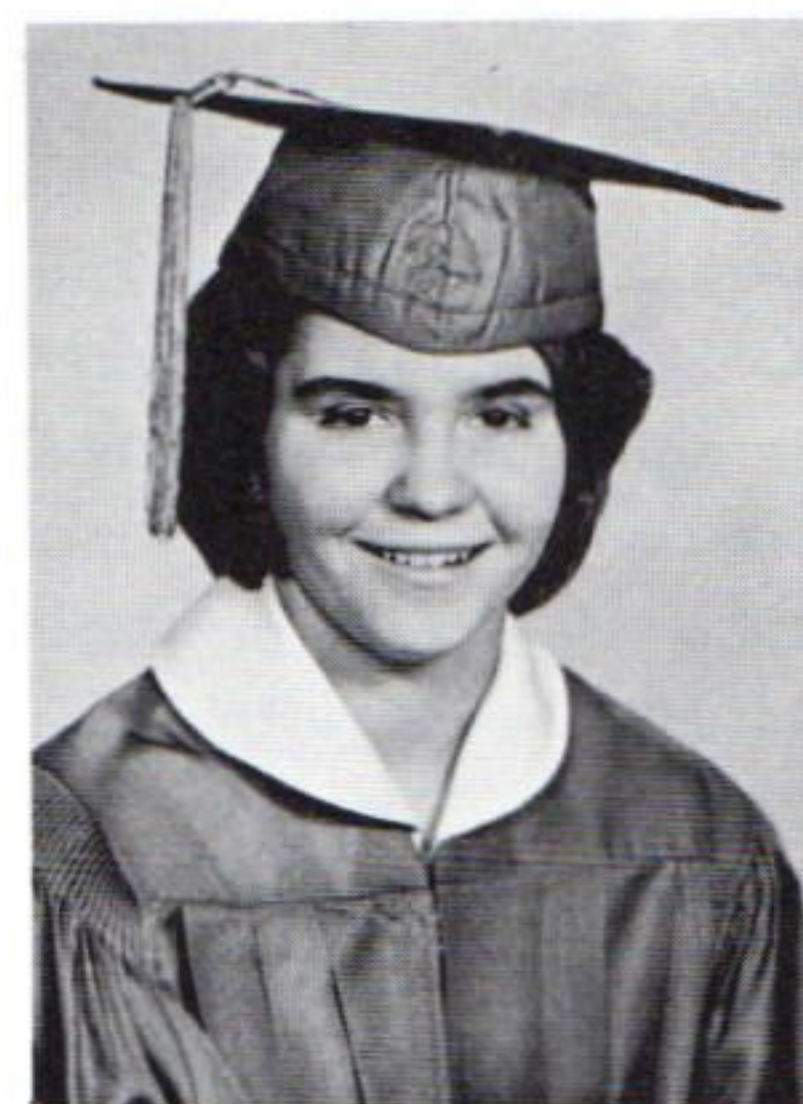
Valedictorian of her graduating class at Beaumont's Forest Park High School, Cynthia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Cannon, supervisor of production planning, Beaumont.

She received the Bell Telephone Science award for being outstanding senior science student. She was a member of the National Honor Society and received a distinguished student award in the senior government class.



**BOBBYE GAYLE DAIGLE**

Bobbye Gayle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Daigle, Baton Rouge Substation, is a graduate of St. Anthony's High School where she was a member of Future Nurses Association, Red Cross, the yearbook staff, Christian Doctrine Teaching, Legion of Mary, student council and the church choir. She is also organist for the parish. She was a member of the Madrigals, a select singing group of the school, which toured the northern U. S. and Canada and appeared on the Mike Douglas TV program. She has studied piano for ten years and gave a private senior piano recital with Miss Kathleen Valenti. She plans to enter Our Lady of the Lake School of Nursing in the fall.



**NANCY ANN DELAGE**

Nancy Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Delage, chief system operator, and is a graduate of Beaumont's French High School. She plans to become a licensed vocational nurse.



**GWENDOLYN FAVER**

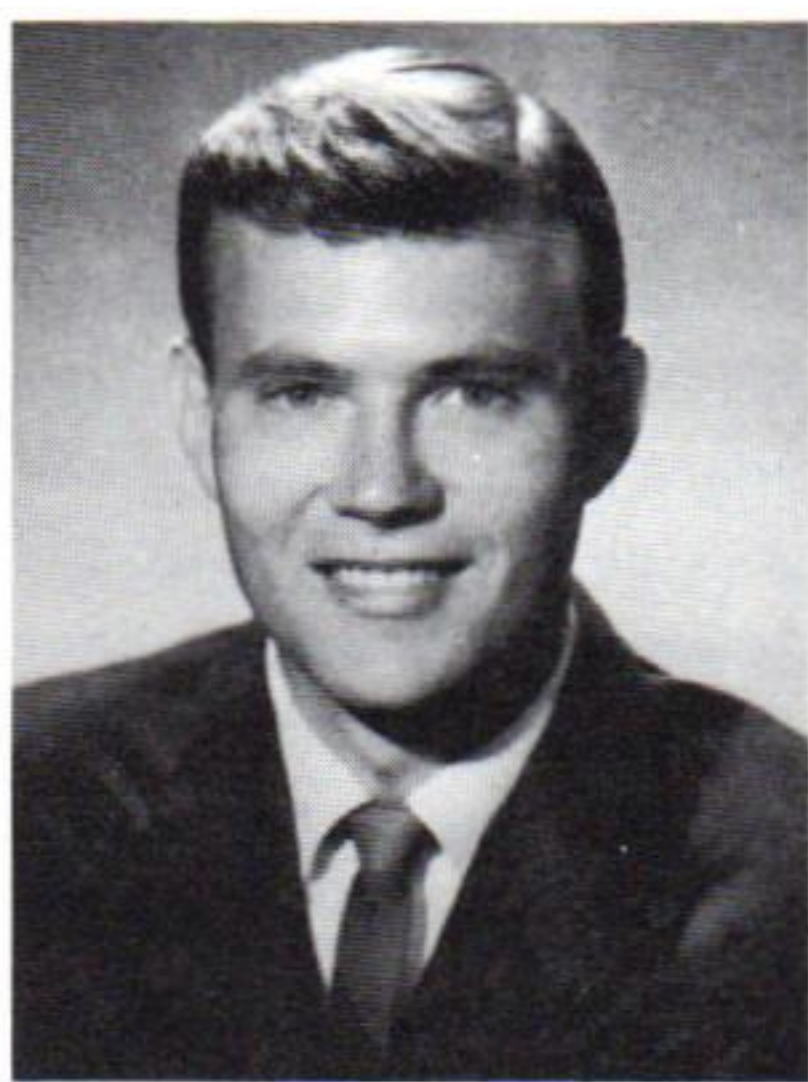
The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Faver, he's Beaumont Division accounting supervisor, Gwendolyn was graduated Cum Laude from South Park High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, the French Academy and the German Club. She will enter Hardin - Simmons University in the fall and major in foreign languages.





**JANET FAVER SEWELL**

Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Faver, received her BS degree from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas, on May 30. She was president of Mission Volunteers and a member of the Religious Activities Council, Texas Student Education Association, Young Women's Auxiliary, and Sigma Tau Delta, honorary English fraternity.



**M. C. GARMAN, JR.**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Garman, Sr., Jennings, M. C. Jr. received his BS in Electrical Engineering from Louisiana Tech at Ruston, January 24, 1966. Since graduation he has been working on his master's degree while on the teaching staff at Tech. He is employed this summer by the

Monsanto Chemical Company, Texas City. He will return to Louisiana Tech in the fall to resume his studies while working on the teaching staff at Tech. He is a member of the Engineers Association and the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers. Mr. Garman is senior engineering assistant in Jennings.



**LESTER GAUTHIER, JR.**

A graduate of Immaculata Seminary, Lafayette, Lester, Jr., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gauthier, Sr., of Lafayette. Mr. Gauthier is a senior engineering assistant in Lafayette T&D. Lester, Jr., was head student librarian at the seminary. He participated in sports and was the leading scorer on the basketball team. He was the sports writer for the school magazine. He received the American Legion and American history awards. He was awarded the Latin award in a nationwide test and won a second place in American history at the district rally at University of Southwestern Louisiana. Lester intends to continue his studies at Immaculata Junior College.



**MURREE GREER**

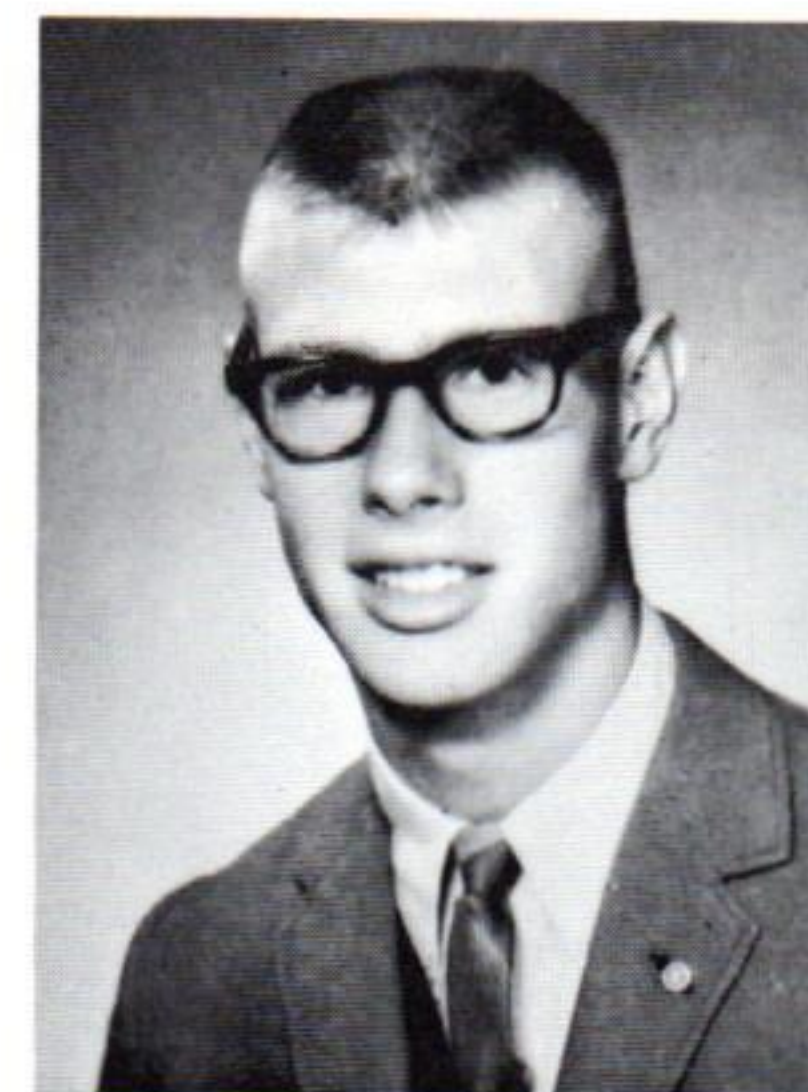
The daughter of E. Murry Greer, turbine engineer, Louisiana Station, Murree is a graduate of Glen Oaks High School, Baton Rouge. She was a four-year member of the band and was majorette her last two years. She was a member of the choir and the all girl folk group and the F. B. L. A. Club. She was elected a "Senior Class Favorite."



**CAROL GRISHAM**

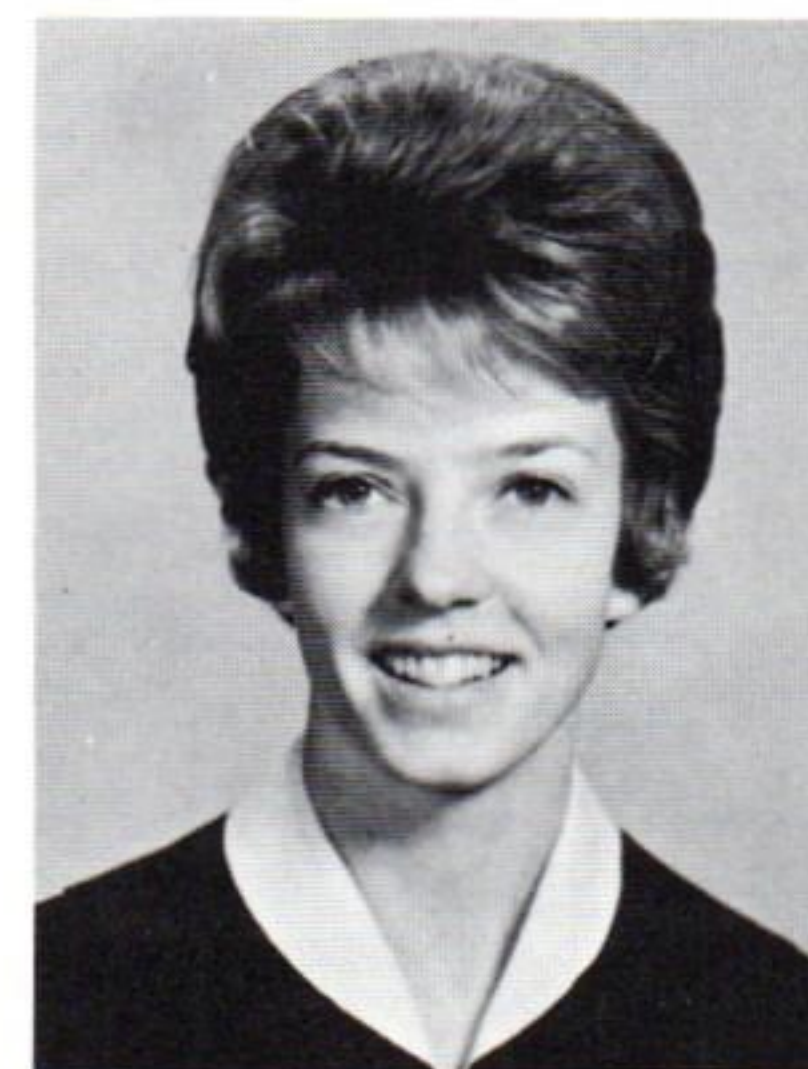
Carol, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Grisham, Huntsville T&D, plans to enter Sam Houston State College in September and major in home economics. She is a graduate of Huntsville High School and received the Study Club Scholarship. In high school she was president of the local FHA chapter, named "Most Re-

presentative Senior Girl", received the FHA State Degree, and was a member of the Future Teachers of America.



**GEORGE RONALD GUINS**

Ronnie, son of George and Dorothy Guins, he's serviceman at Zachary, Louisiana, is a graduate of Zachary High School where he played left end on the football team. He received the most dedicated player award and was a member of the band and Key Club. Active in Boy Scout work, he obtained the rank of Life Scout, received the senior life saving award and served as senior patrol leader. He is enrolled in Northwestern Louisiana College at Natchitoches.



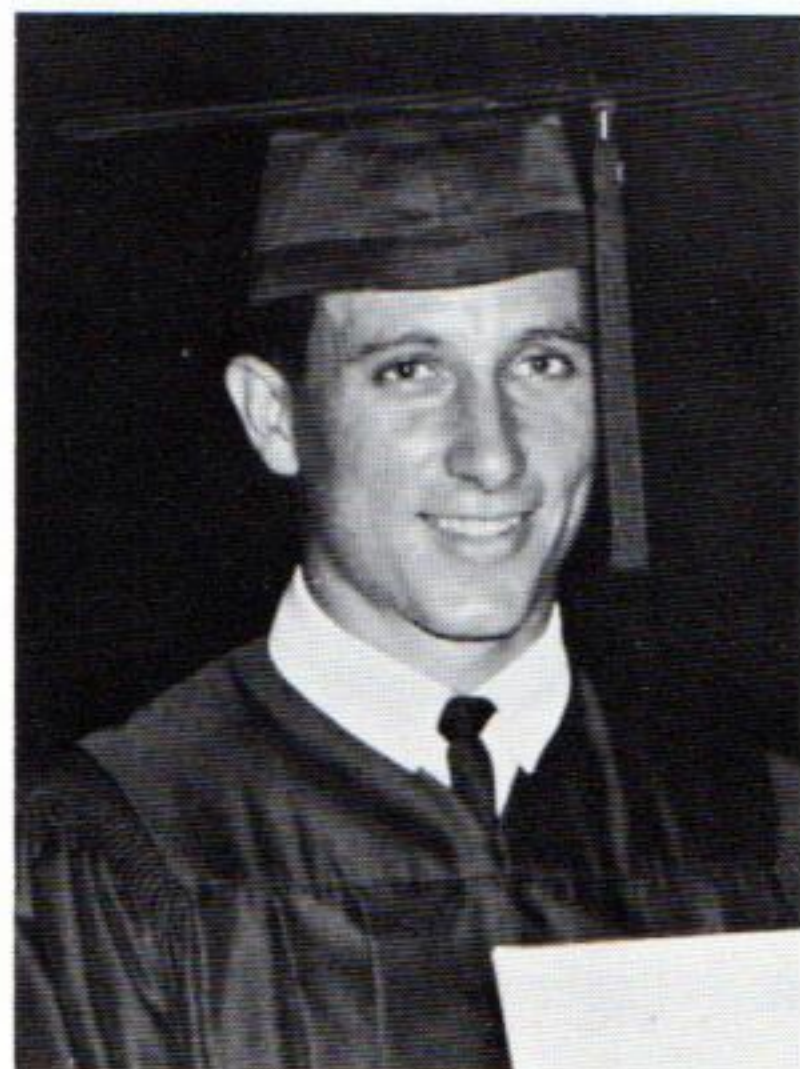
**PATSY LU INGLEHART**

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Inglehart, he's substation foreman at Navasota, Patsy Lu was  
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graduated from Baylor University with a BA in elementary education. She will teach in the Corpus Christi school system this next year.



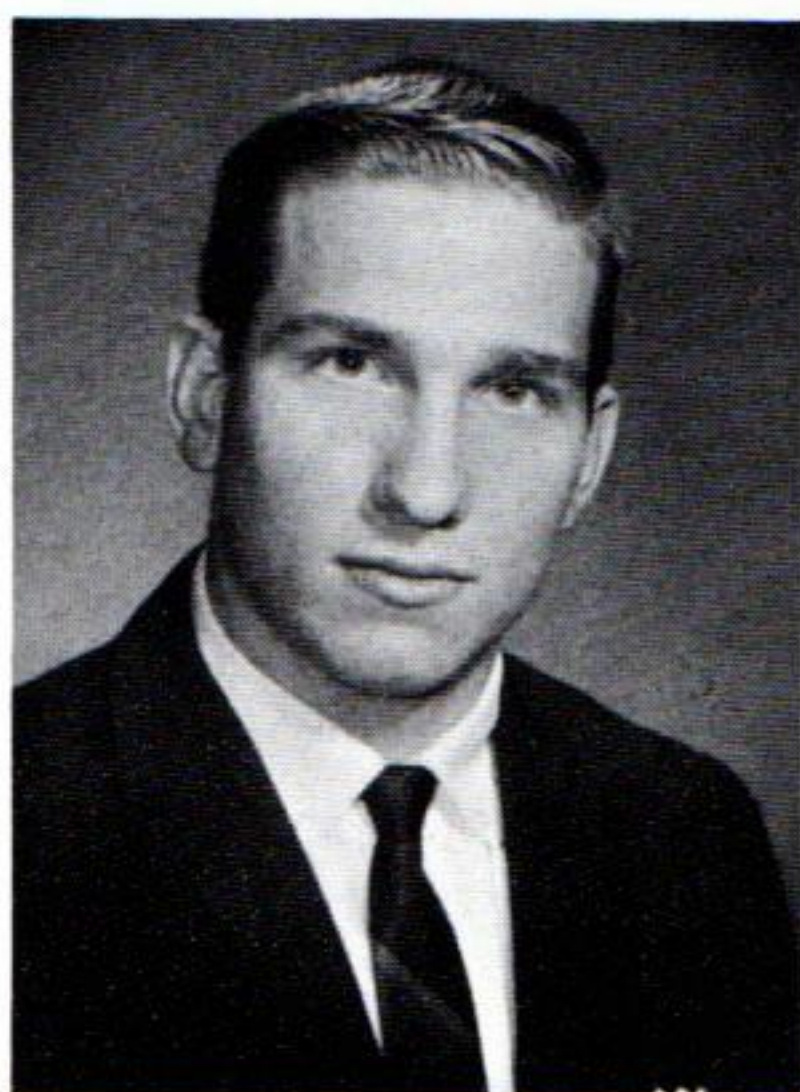
**DWAIN ISTRE**

Dwain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Istre, he's a serviceman at Jennings, was awarded both scholastic and football scholarships to Louisiana Tech where he plans to major in electrical engineering. In high school, he was a member of the 4-H Club, Key Club and FTA. He lettered in football and basketball and was on the track team. He was named to the all-district football team, was voted outstanding back in district 4-AA and was selected for the All-Southwest Team and for the second team of the All-State football squad. He maintained a 3.5 average for over 3½ years. He was president of "J" Club and vice-president of the Beta Club.



**BARBARA ANN JOHNSON**

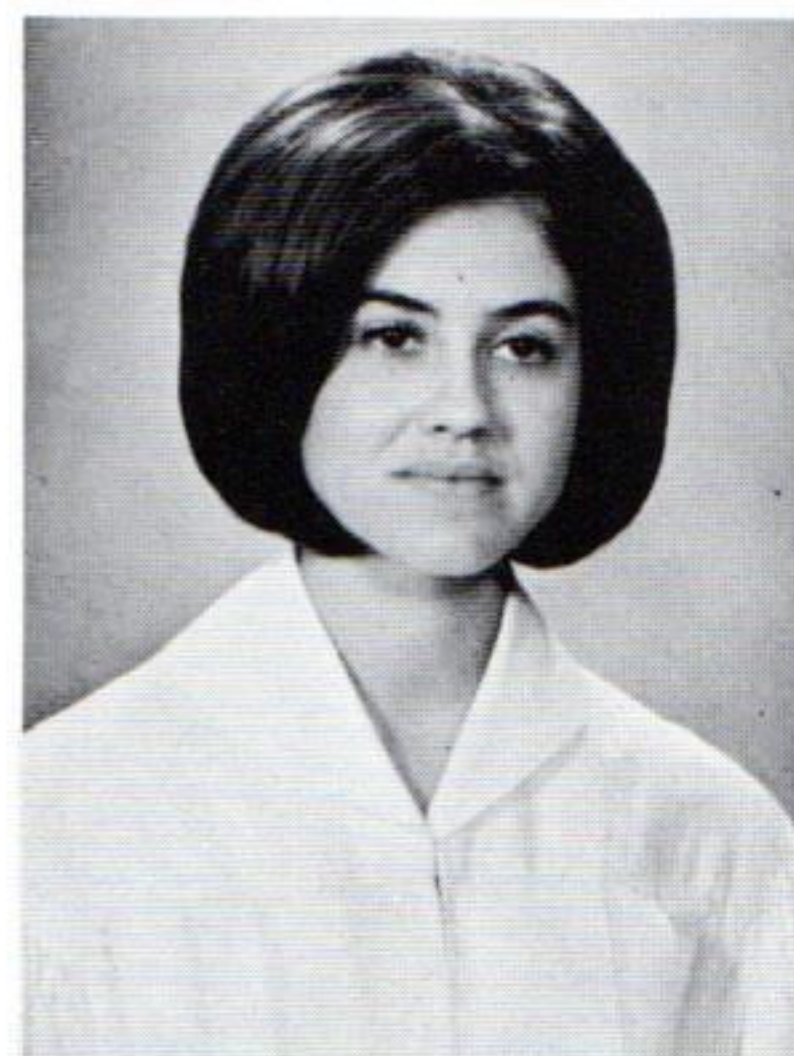
A 1966 graduate of M. B. North High School in Orange, Barbara Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Johnson, Orange, she was a member of the band, the Homemaking Club, a member and a majorette of the drill team, a member of the Tri-Hi-Y and a member of the Cosmetology Club. In her senior year she won a second place medal at Prairie View College for hairstyling. She plans to attend a school of nursing and to become a registered nurse.



**MICHAEL E. KOPP**

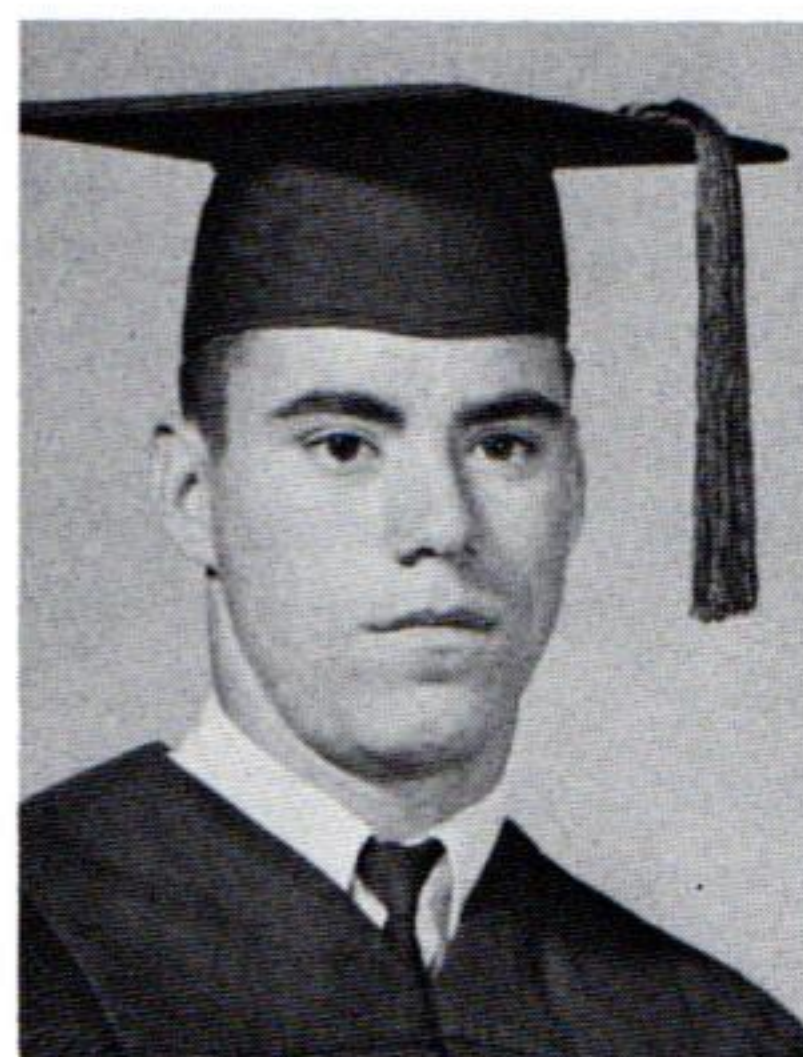
A graduate of Baker High School, Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Kopp, he's a switchboard operator, Louisiana Station. He was captain of the football team, vice president

of the student council, and sergeant-at-arms of Mu Sigma, Honorary Club. He was a member of the Industrial Arts Club and Future Teachers of America. He was selected an alternate for a \$600 scholarship at Louisiana Tech. He graduated with a 3.5 average during his four high school years.



**CYNTHIA MATHERNE**

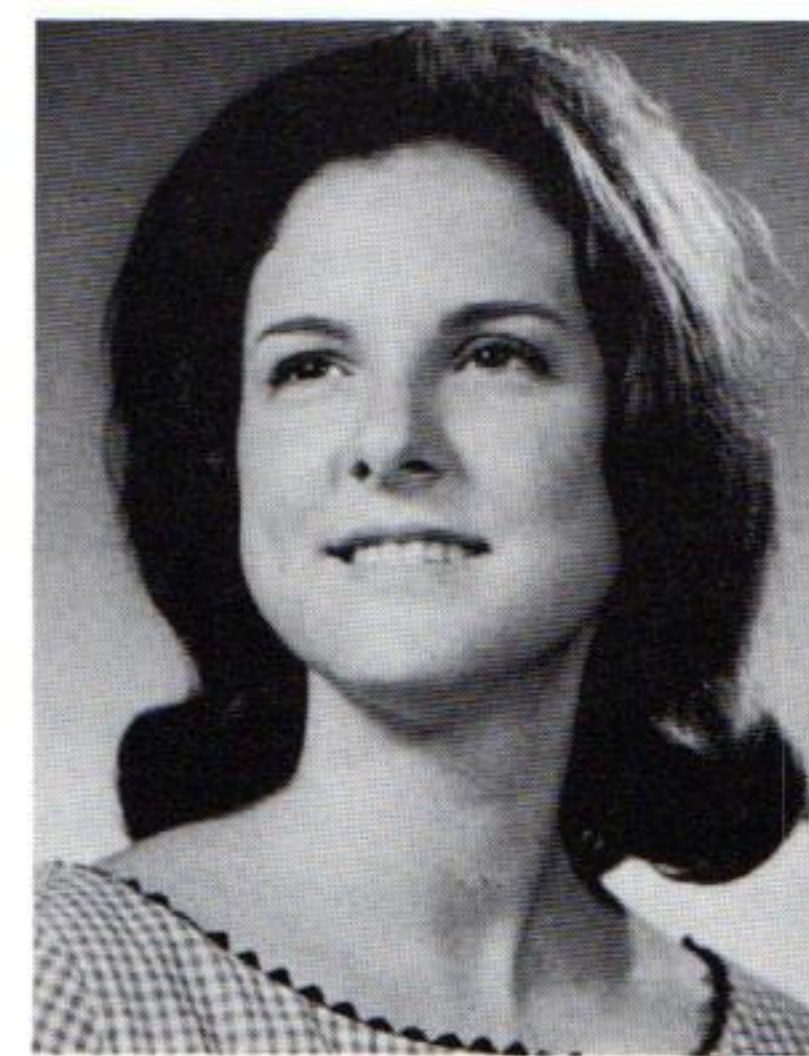
The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Matherne, System Engineering, Beaumont, Cynthia, a graduate of Beaumont's Kelly High School, will enter the University of Texas in the fall. She was graduated eighth out of a class of 105 with an average of 92.27. She received medals for work in chemistry, Kedette Marching Unit, Sodality leader and athletics.



**ROBERT EARL MATKIN**

Robert Earl is a graduate of Kirby High

School, Woodville. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Matkin, Woodville. He was a member of the school council, secretary of FFA and was selected beau for the FHA. He was "Senior Favorite" and a football letterman. He plans to enter college in September.



**MARY McCLELLAND**

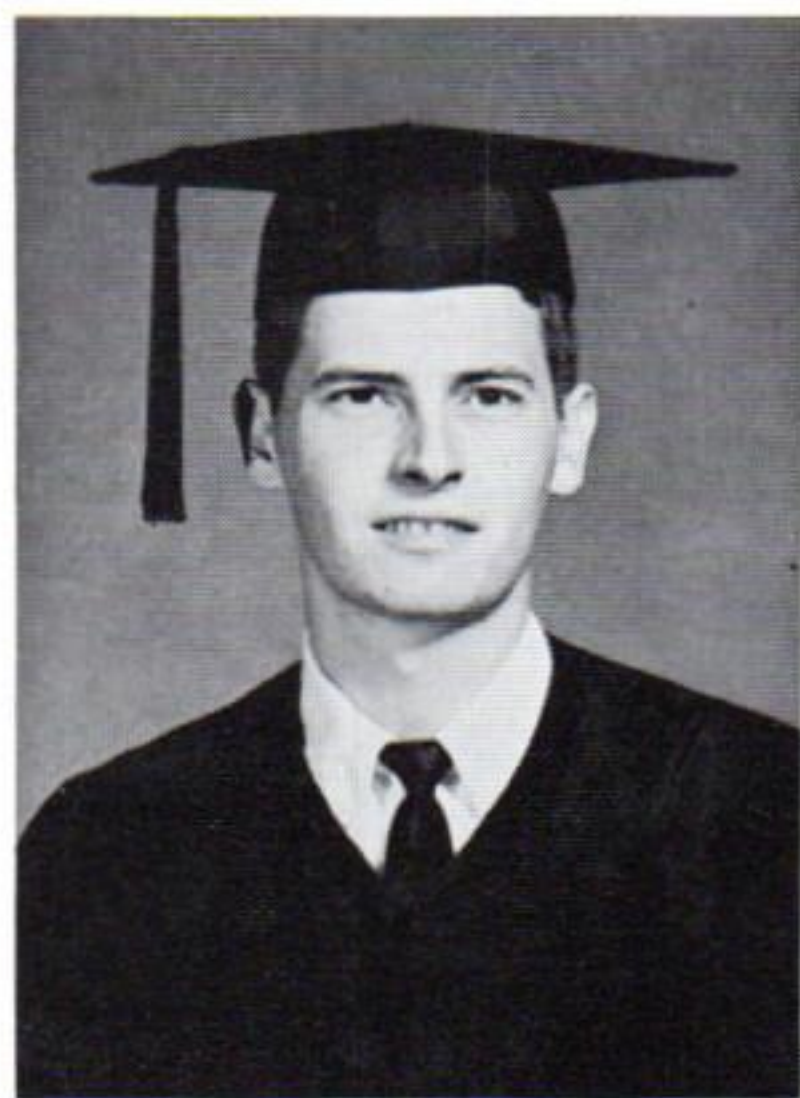
Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. McClelland, industrial engineer, Navasota Division, is a graduate of Navasota High School. She attended Beaumont High School her first three years. At Navasota, she was vice president of the Science Club, song leader of PASF and FTA. She won second place in persuasive speaking in Interscholastic League competition. She won the Navasota Music Study Club's \$250 scholarship and she also won a four year \$100-a-semester scholarship to Mary Hardin Baylor College where she plans to major in music education. In Beaumont she studied voice under Mrs. Ira Power and was in the Melody Maids for eight years.





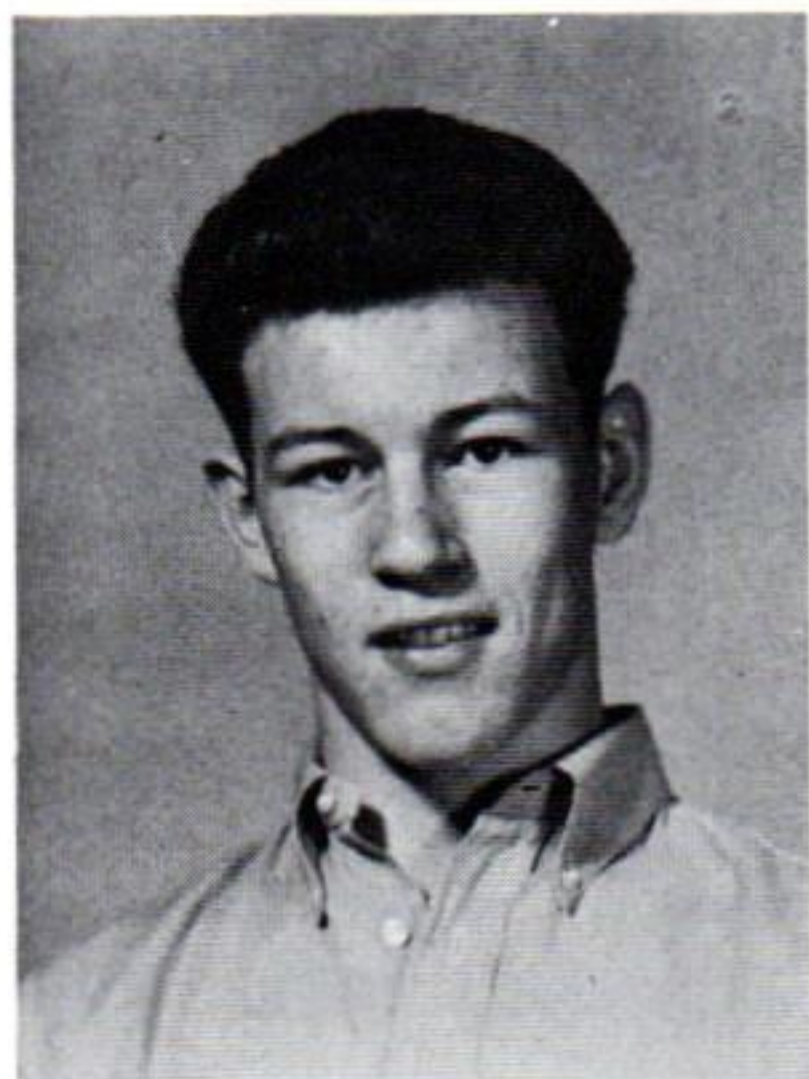
**JEWEL MINOR**

The daughter of D. A. Minor, Navasota Store-room, Jewel is a graduate of Navasota's Carver High School. She has won many awards for her music work. She won three first places for solos in District 6AA Interscholastic League and two second places in State Interscholastic League and outstanding soloist award in State choir competition. She has been named "All Around Student Musician" for the past six years and "Outstanding Vocalist." She plays all instruments of the band and piano and has attended piano workshops at Prairie View A&M the last three summers. She has been student band director for four years and student choir director for three years. She received awards as most "Versatile Musician," "Best Vocal Singer" and "All Around Musician" from the Music Club.



**ALTON TRACY MORAN**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Moran, Louisiana Station, Alton Tracy will be graduated from Louisiana State University with a law degree on August 28, 1966. He received his BA degree for LSU in 1964. He is a member of Phi Eta Sigma, honorary scholastic fraternity, and Phi Delta Phi, legal fraternity. He will take his bar exams in July and on August 1 will begin working in the Pentagon with the Defense Intelligence Agency as an intelligence research specialist.



**DANIEL PAUL NEVILS**

Daniel Paul, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Nevils, Beaumont Substation, is a graduate of South Park High School. He was a member of DECA and was employed by Minimax

Store for two years. He is now employed by National Cash Register Company in Beaumont.



**JOYCE O'NEILL**

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe O'Neill, he's a truckdriver at Cleveland, Joyce plans to attend Stephen F. Austin State College, Nacogdoches, in the fall and major in sociology. She hopes to become a social worker and work with juvenile delinquents. At Cleveland High School she was named "Best All-Around Girl," was a member of the student council, and was a four year member of the band and Future Homemakers of America. She was secretary of the senior class, the band and the FHA and was an officer of the American Field Service.



**BONNIE OSBORNE**

Bonnie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Osborne, is a graduate of Beaumont's Forest Park High School and will enter Lamar Tech in the fall as a physical education major. Mrs. Osborne is secretary to Chairman Richard and President Werner.



**CAROLYN ANN PERKINS**

A 1966 graduate of Beaumont's Charlton-Pollard High School, Carolyn Ann is the daughter of Edger Perkins, Beaumont T&D-Garage. She is attending Lamar Tech this summer and will enter East Texas State College at Commerce in the fall where she will study to be a social worker. She was an honor student at Charlton-Pollard where she was a member of the

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National Honor Society, Tri-Hi-Y, the Math Club and the student council.



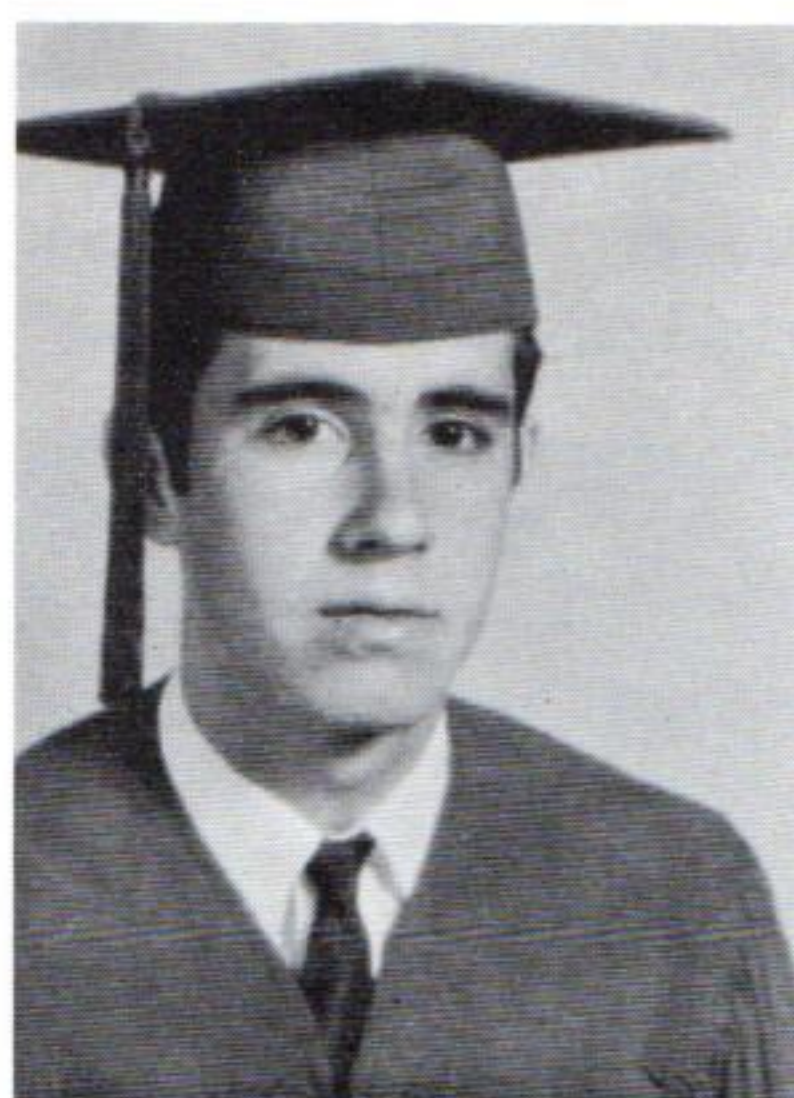
**JOANNE PIZZUTO**

Joanne, daughter of Vick J. Pizzuto, serviceman first class, Baton Rouge Gas Department, is a graduate of Glen Oaks High School.



**JAMES "BUGGA" POWELL**

The son of J. K. Powell, service foreman, Lafayette, James was graduated from Lafayette High School, where he was captain of the football team. He was named all-district guard. He received a full athletic scholarship to Northwestern Louisiana College where he will play football.



**PAUL M. ROMERO**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Romero, dispatcher, Lafayette, Paul is a graduate of Judice High School where he was on the football, basketball and track teams. He is now attending barber school in Shreveport.



**KITTY ANN SAUNDERS**

Kitty Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saunders, Orange, was graduated from West Orange High School where she was in the band for five years and a twirler for two years. She won first place for her twirling in Inter-scholastic League. She was in the Biology, Future Teachers of America and Thespian Clubs. She plans to enter Port Arthur Business College in the fall.



**ELSIE SCHROEDER**

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Schroeder, he's an utility man at Conroe, Elsie was graduated with honors from Conroe High School. She was president of the Future Homemakers of America and the Tiger Boosters. She was a member of the National Honor Society, student council, Latin Club, JCL, FFA, FSA and choir and was a Queen of Cottage candidate.



**GEARY SENIGAUR**

Geary, son of Isreal Senigaur, Neches Station, is a graduate of Beaumont's Hebert High School, where he was a member of the Foreign Language Club, Red Cross Club, English IV Club, the baseball team and Catholic Youth Organization. He plans to enter Lamar Tech and major in industrial engineering.



**CAROL LYNN SPAFFORD**

Carol Lynn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Spafford, Beaumont. She is a honor graduate, one of 22 out of a class of 347, of Beaumont French. She was a member of the National Honor Society for three years, a member of the Buffalo Belles, the Latin Club, Tri-Hi-Y and the band and orchestra. She received the American War Mothers award her sophomore and junior years and was named Outstanding Latin Student in her junior year. She plans to attend Lamar Tech and major in mathematics. Her mother, Dolores, is employed in Accounting-Stores, Beaumont.



**SANDRA STABLER**

Sandra, daughter of H. C. Stabler, primary and special tester in the Navasota Meter Department, is a 1966 graduate of Navasota High School.





**LONNIE ROSS STANFORD**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade J. Stanford, Huntsville, Lonnie Ross is a graduate of Huntsville High School where he was a member of the National Thespian Society, was treasurer of the Industrial Cooperative Training Class, the Dramatics Club and the Industrial Arts Club and a four year letterman in the Hornet Band. He is a summer employee in the Huntsville T&D. He plans to enter Sam Houston State College and major in pre-pharmacy. Mrs. Stanford is local office clerk in Huntsville.



**PAT ADAMS STRONG**

Pat, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Garland Strong, operations maintenance supervisor, Roy S. Nelson Station, graduated from Sulphur High

School where he was co-editor of the Tornado high school annual. He was president of the Government - History Club, on the debate team and a member of the student council. He plans to attend Tyler Junior College in Tyler, Texas, and major in business administration.



**WALTER G. STRONG, JR.**

Walter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Strong, received his degree from the LSU School of Law at the annual spring commencement. He is a 1958 graduate of Sulphur High School and was recipient of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company scholarship. He attended Georgia Tech from 1959 to 1961. While an undergraduate at LSU, he was on the debate squad and was named "Debater of the Year" in 1963. He also received the "Debater of the South Award." He received his BA in government from LSU in 1963. He was chairman of the Flory Trial Club, chairman of the student-faculty relations committee in the Law School and was on the LSU Union art committee. He is a member of Phi Delta Phi, professional legal fraternity.



**RONALD REID TEVIS**

Ronald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reid W. Tevis, Neches Station, was graduated from Beaumont's Forest Park High School where he was manager of the football team in his sophomore and senior years and of the track team his junior and senior year. He is a member of the Letterman's Club and won an award his senior year in shop. He will enroll at Sam Houston State Teachers College in the fall and will major in industrial arts.



**CAROLE BERLY THOMAS**

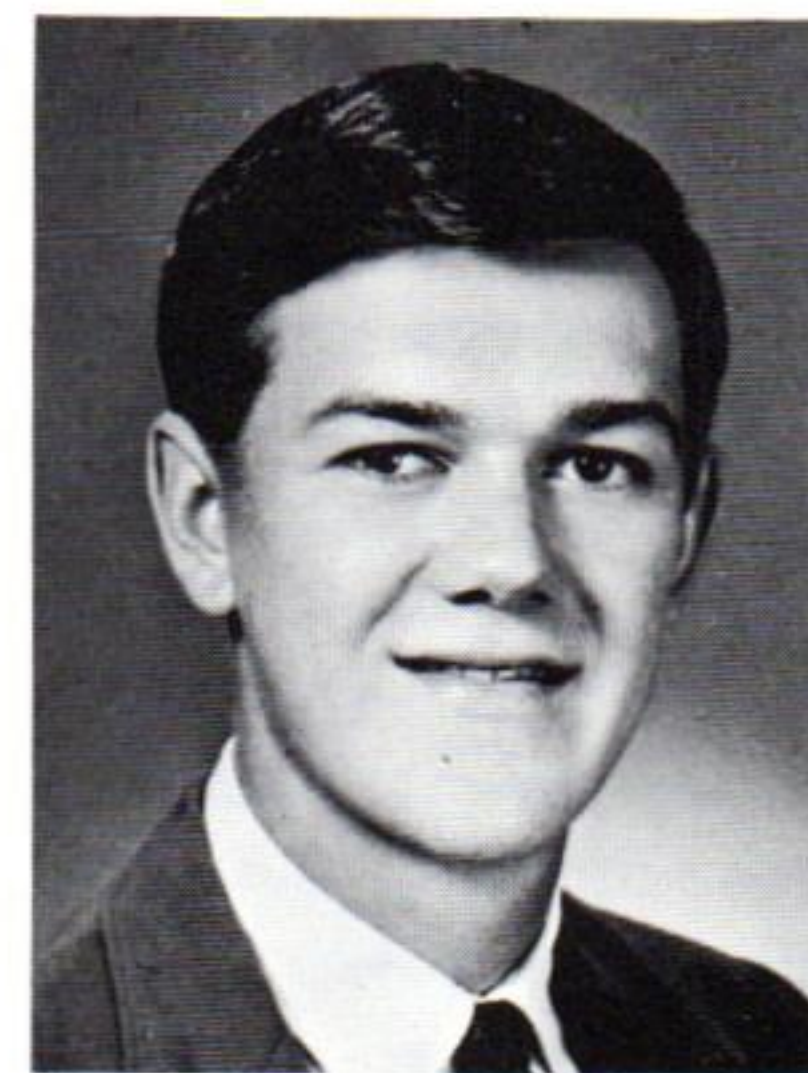
Carole is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Berly, supervisor of land rights, Beaumont. She was graduated from the University of Houston on June 4 with a degree in elementary education. She had attended Lamar Tech for

two years and is a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. She is married to D. Larry Thomas and they live in Houston. She will teach in the Houston School District in September.



**DONNA MARIE TUNIOUS**

Donna Marie is a graduate of Scotlandville High School. She is the daughter of Leroy Tunious, Baton Rouge T&D-Meter Department.



**JAMES T. VAN WINKLE, JR.**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Van Winkle, Sr., Lake Charles Substation, James, Jr. is a graduate of Lagrange High School in Lake Charles. He plans to attend McNeese State College and study electrical engineering.

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SANDRA GAYLE WIER

Sandra Gayle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wier, System Engineering, was an honor graduate of Beaumont's French High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society and played flute in the band. She was a member of the instrumental trio that placed first at Interscholastic League competition and

was feature editor of the French High "Courier." She is employed this summer in Beaumont Credit and Collections. She is past president, Youth Group, First Church of God, secretary-treasurer, South East Texas Youth Group, delegate to International Youth Convention, Church of God, Louisville, Kentucky, and is

Church of God representative on the Beaumont Interdenominational Youth Council. Miss Wier was wed to John Nelson Welch on July 15.

## Our Honor Students



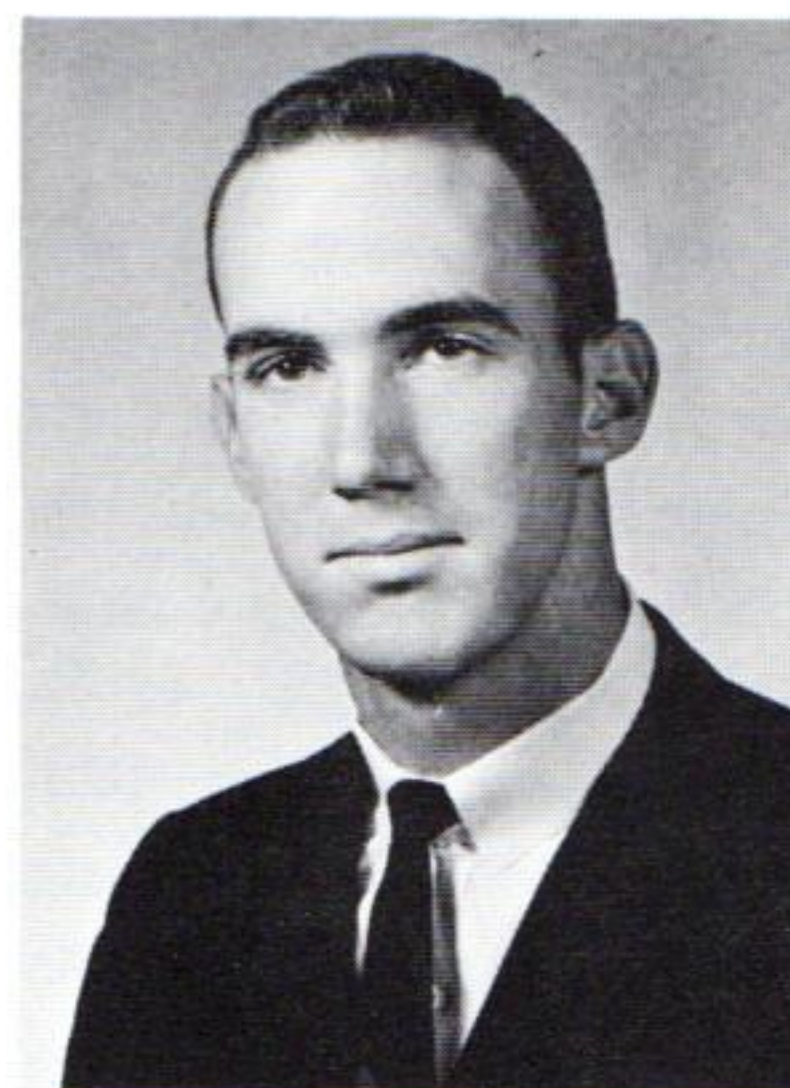
KIRK BAILEY

Kirk, a student at Redemptorist Junior High School, Baton Rouge, has been an honor student for the last two years and a member of the Redemptorist High School Band. Kirk is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bailey, Jr., Baton Rouge Right-of-Way.

Joyce Marie, a fifth grader at North Scotlandville Elementary, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odis Banks, Louisiana Station, she was named an honor student and won two blue ribbons for 4-H work. She was chairman of the student council and treasurer of the Tri-Gray-Y Club.

Scouts, 4-H Club, the seventh grade football, basketball and track teams and plays Pony League baseball.

scholarship and the Luther Jones scholarship. He is employed this summer by the Delca Plantation in Jonesville, Louisiana, and will return to A&M in the fall to complete his senior year in agronomy.



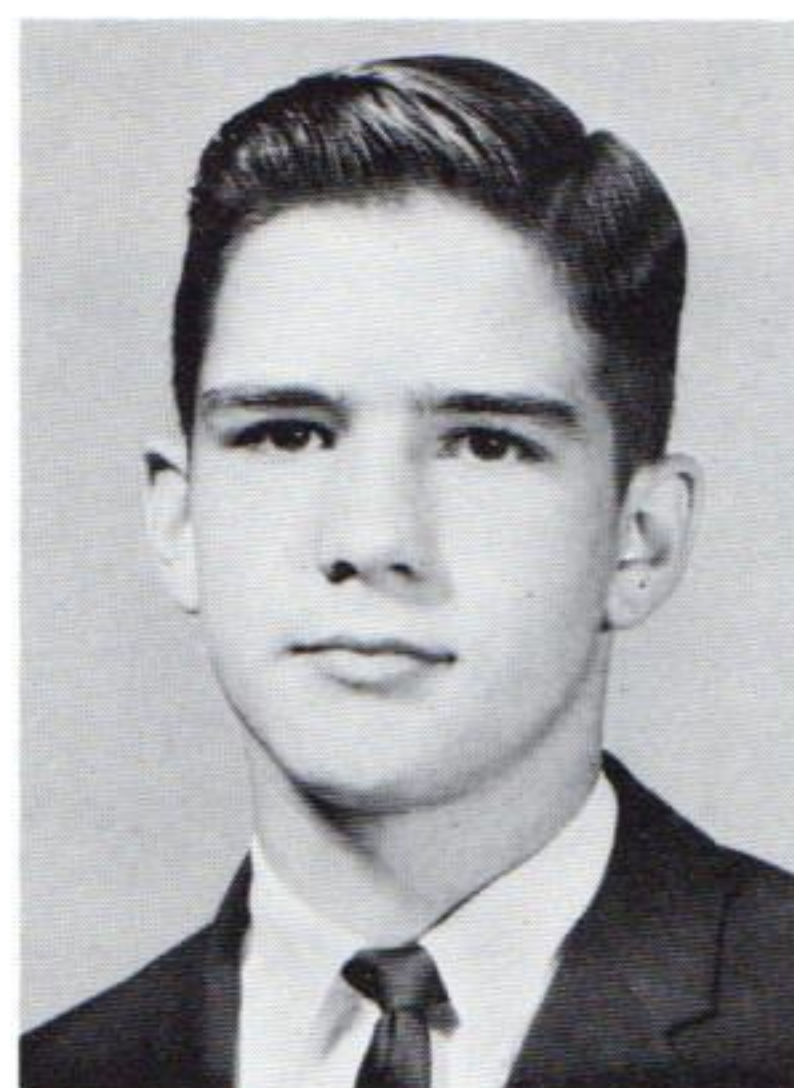
TOM H. BLANCHETTE

Tom, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Blanchette, line foreman, Beaumont T&D, is a senior honor student at Texas A&M University. He is president of the Agronomy Society, vice chairman of the Soil Conservation Society, a member of the Student Agriculture Council, the Beaumont Home Town Club, King Cotton Court at the Annual Cotton Pageant, and a member of the Alfa Zeta fraternity. He received the National Plant Food Association



AUBREY DAVID BONNETTE, JR.

Aubrey David, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Bonnette, Sr., Sour Lake, was named to Kappa Delta Pi, honorary educational fraternity at Sam Houston State College in Huntsville. This is his first year at Sam Houston and is a senior. He previously attended Lubbock Christian College on a tennis scholarship. He was a counsel-



ALAN BELL

Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Wyatt Bell, local district supervisor, Woodville, was named to the "A" honor roll of Wheat Junior High School. He was president of the seventh grade class and named "Class Favorite." He is a member of the Boy



JOYCE MAIRE BANKS



or in the boys dormitory, president of his social club, Koinonia, a member of the National Honor Society, business manager of the annual, El Explorador, and was elected Mr. Junior Executive of the Business Department. He will receive his degree in business administration and plans to teach. He is married to the former Stella Best of Woodville.



**CHARLOTTE BORING**

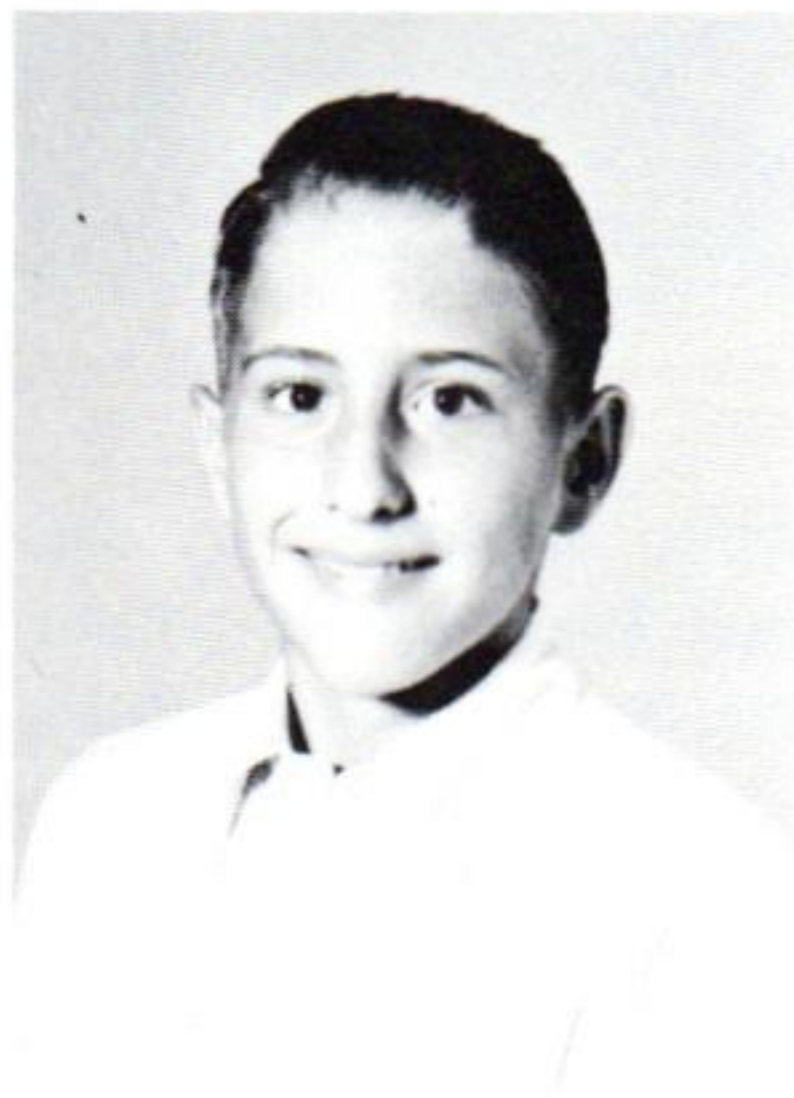
Charlotte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boring, who was twirler for the Navasota High School Band the past year, has been chosen to be head twirler for the year 1966-67. Charlotte will also be junior class representative on the student council.



**NANCY BORING**

Nancy, daughter of Charles and Mildred Bor-

ing, Navasota, was named salutatorian of the eighth grade graduating class of Navasota Elementary School. Nancy's grade average was 94.9. There were 89 graduates.



**JAMES PAUL BORING**

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Boring, James Paul was voted outstanding band member of the 6th grade band at Navasota Elementary School. He also received a certificate for perfect attendance.



**NEILAND BUTLER**

Neiland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elver L. Butler, serviceman, Calvert, was awarded a certificate for perfect attendance last year. He was in the third grade at Calvert Elementary School.



**MICHAEL O'KEEFE CREEL**

Michael, son of Raymond W. Creel, Baton Rouge T&D - Engineering, was awarded the Veteran's of Foreign Wars certificate for outstanding leadership, character, scholarship, patriotism and service to school and community. He won first place in the social studies category at the Baton Rouge Science Fair. Michael was president of his class and vice president of the student council at Lanier Elementary School where he was a member of the science club and school choir. He was also awarded a trophy as the best all around athletic for his participation in football, baseball and track.



**ELAINE DESHOTEL**

Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Deshotel, Jennings, is in the eighth

grade at Immaculate Conception School. She was elected, for the third year, "Outstanding Girl" for her 4-H club achievements and is president of the 4-H Club. At achievement day she placed first in girls general achievement, girls general demonstration, home economics, clothing, handicraft, school dress, skirt and blouse, sportswear, foods - nutrition, home management, home improvement, child development, citizenship, electricity and metal tooling. She placed second in rice cookery and wood-burning and third in health improvement.



**DEBBIE DOIRON**

Debbie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Doiron, Beaumont Substation, will be a senior at Kelly High School next year. She has been named to the National Honor Society and received a Cum Laude certificate from the Association for Promotion of Study of Latin. She is a member of the Latin Honor Society.

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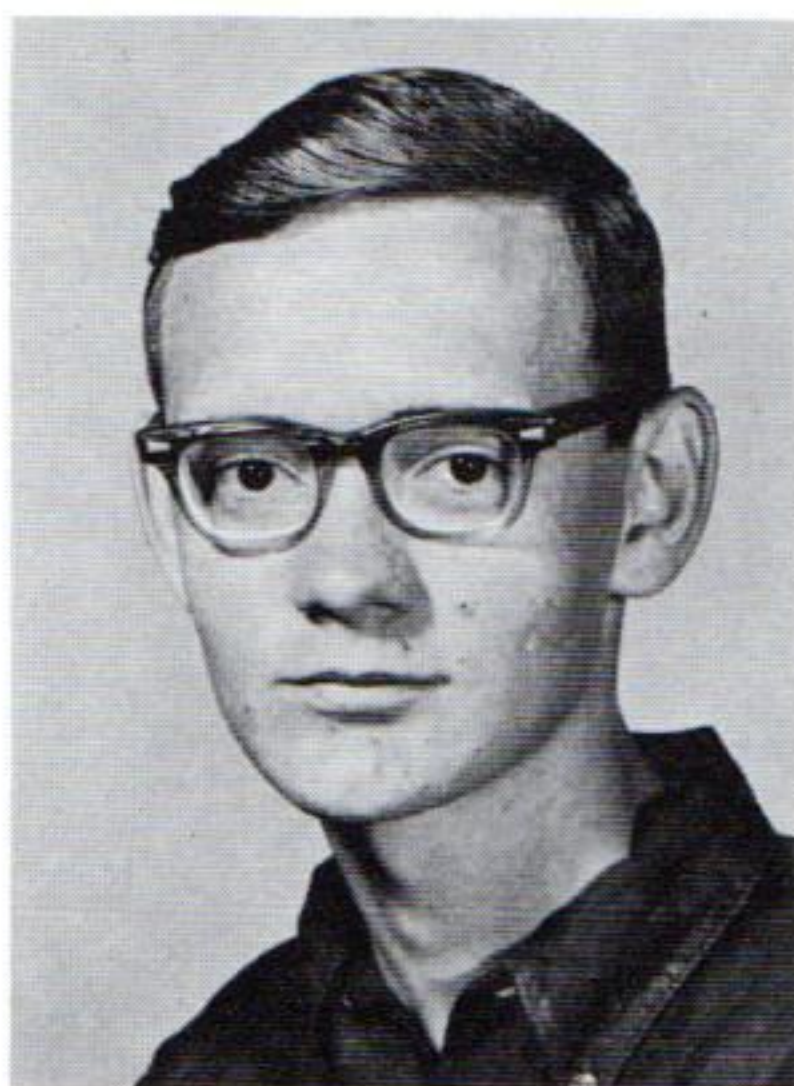
**CATHERINE FAVER**

Catherine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Faver, Beaumont Division accounting supervisor, was valedictorian of the graduating class at MacArthur Junior High School. She won the Shepherd Scholastic Award for being high ranking girl and the Latin award. She was a member of the Latin Club, Harp Ensemble and song leader for Morning Watch.



**FRANCES HAZMARK**

Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hazmark, System Engineering, Beaumont, was an eighth grade honor student at James Bowie Junior High School. She was a member of the Pep Squad, and Horizan Club and participated in Interscholastic League Number Sense competition.



**CECIL JAMES HERNANDEZ**

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Oray Hernandez, district serviceman at Abbeville, Cecil James received an award at the Abbeville High School for maintaining a 3.62 scholastic average. He will be in the 11th grade next fall. He is a member of the band, the Biology Club, the Beta Club and is an Explorer Scout.



**DAN INGLEHART**

Dan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Inglehart, he's substation foreman at Navasota, has been elected president of the Navasota High School student body for 1966-67. He is also president of the student council.



**INEZ LAUTER**

Inez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Lauter, Navasota Engineering, has been named drum major for the Navasota High School Rattler Band. She has also been elected vice president of the National Honor Society and treasurer of the senior class. This last year she was twirler with the band and was elected to the National Honor Society. She was treasurer of the junior class, junior class favorite, and nominee for "Most Beautiful."



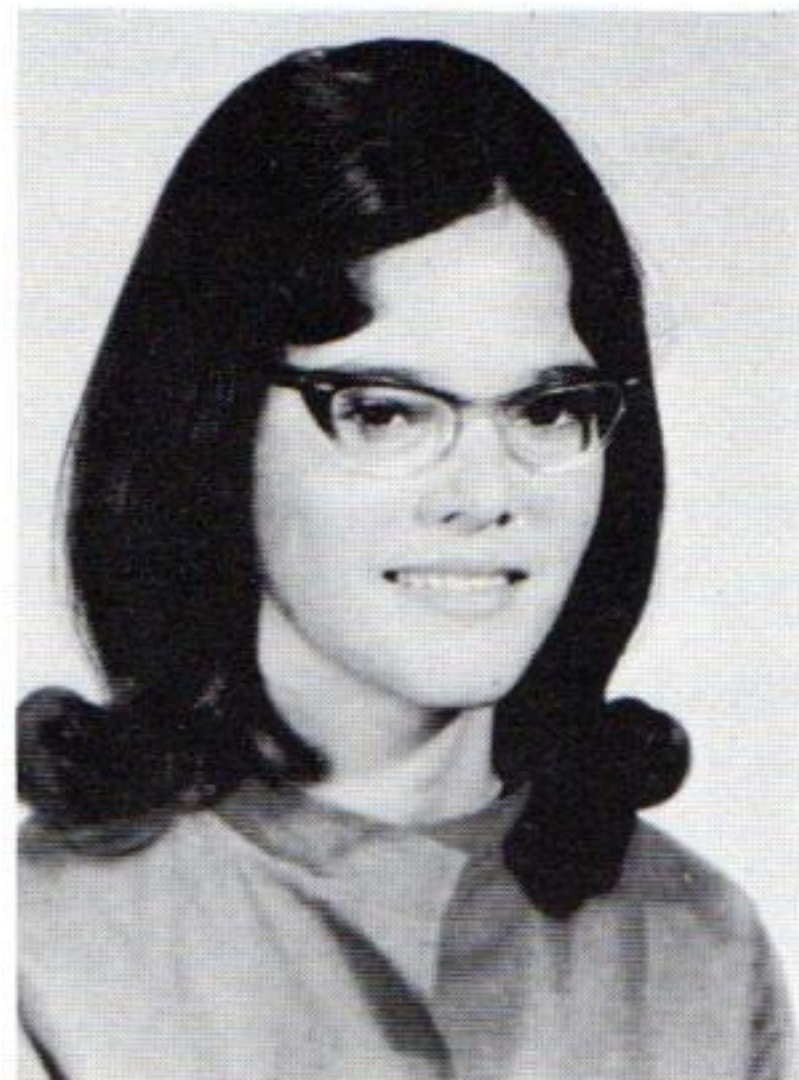
**JUDY LAUTER**

Judy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lauter, was among the 89 students graduating from the eighth grade at Navasota Junior High. She will enter Navasota Junior High in September.



**BARBARA ANN MAYFIELD**

Barbara Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl E. Mayfield, utility man, Jennings, was named a straight A honor student in the seventh grade at Northside Elementary School. She also received the Daughters of the American Revolution award for excellence in history.



**PATRICIA FRANCES MAYFIELD**

Patricia Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield, is an 11th grade student at Jennings High School. She received a second place medal in Home Economics III at the USL Literary Rally at Lafayette and a third place medal in the Home Economics III at the LSU State Literary Rally. She belongs to the Future Homemakers of America, serving as historian for two years, and was elected student



council representative for the club this year. She plans to major in home economics education.



**ELLA WEASE MOORE**

Ella Wease, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moore, a sixth grader at Progress Elementary School, was awarded a certificate of achievement for her 4-H Club and Girl Scout work.



**GEORGE MOORE, JR.**

George, Jr., son of George Moore, Louisiana Station, was graduated from Progress Elementary School, Scotlandville, and was awarded certificate of appreciation by the Greater Baton Rouge Safety Council. He'll attend Scotlandville Junior High next year.



**ANNA JILL OGDEN**

Anna Jill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ogden of Colmesneil, he's a sales representative at Woodville, was salutatorian of the 27 member graduating class of Colmesneil Junior High School. She plays baritone in the "A" band and sings in the choral group. Jill is active in 4-H work, winning blue ribbons the last two years in dress revue and for record books.



**JACK OGDEN, JR.**

Jack, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden, will be a sophomore at Colmesneil High and is on the A and B honor roll. He plays baseball with the Pony League and is a member of the football squad. An active 4-H'er, he has participated in such projects as electricity, gardening, capons, beef cattle and broilers.

He is presently participating in the Brown Swiss dairy project. He caught his Brown Swiss calf in the Houston Calf Scramble and won a blue ribbon while showing her in the Fat Stock Show in March. He also won third place for his dairy records.



**STEVEN OGDEN**

Steven, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden, was an honor student at Colmesneil Elementary School. In his first year in 4-H work, he won a third place at the South Texas State Fair for his pen of broilers. He entered the District Soil Conservation Contest at Nacogdoches in April and placed third.



**THOMAS ROGER OGDEN**

Thomas Roger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden, was named to the honor roll and won first place

in the District 32B spring spelling contest. Roger is also a member of the Cardinal Little League and an active 4-H Club member, taking Grand Champion prize for broilers at the South Texas State Fair.

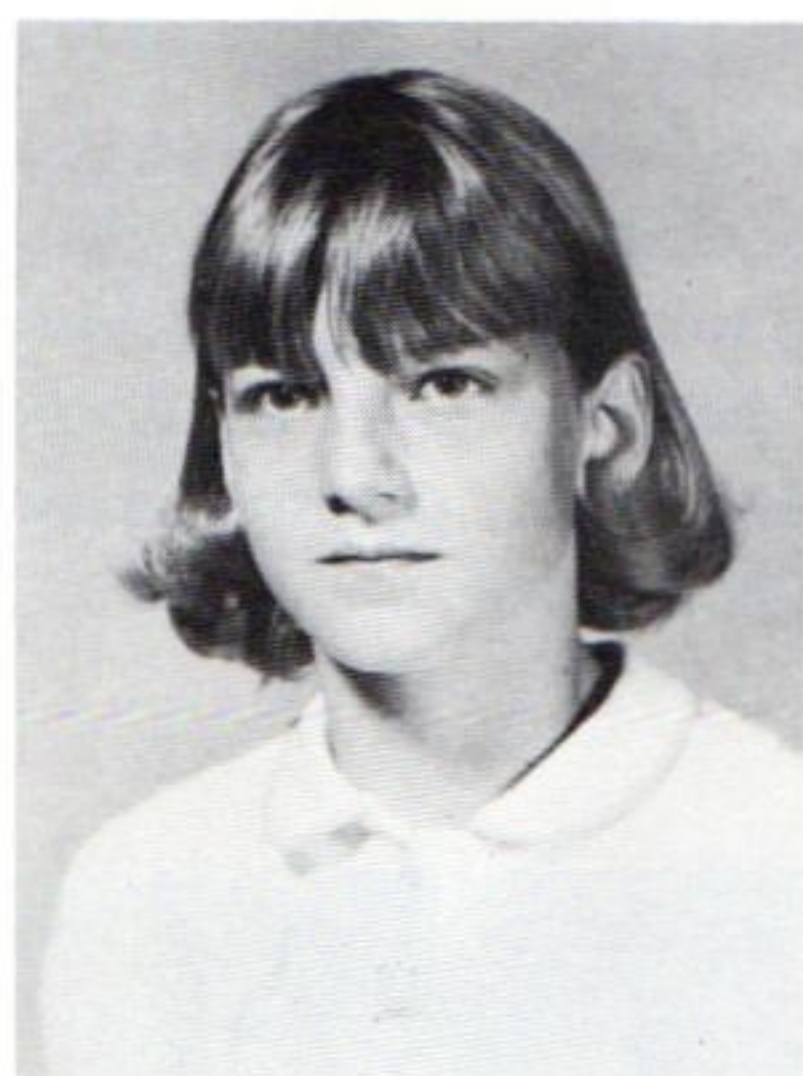


**LINDA PATE**

Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David T. Pate, Jr., serviceman at Woodville, has been named head cheerleader at Kirby High School in Woodville where she will be a senior. She was a cheerleader in her junior year. She has been a class officer and a "Class Favorite." She is a member of the National Honor Society and lettered two years in basketball and was named an all-district guard and is president of her Sunday School class. She plans to attend Stephen F. Austin upon graduation.

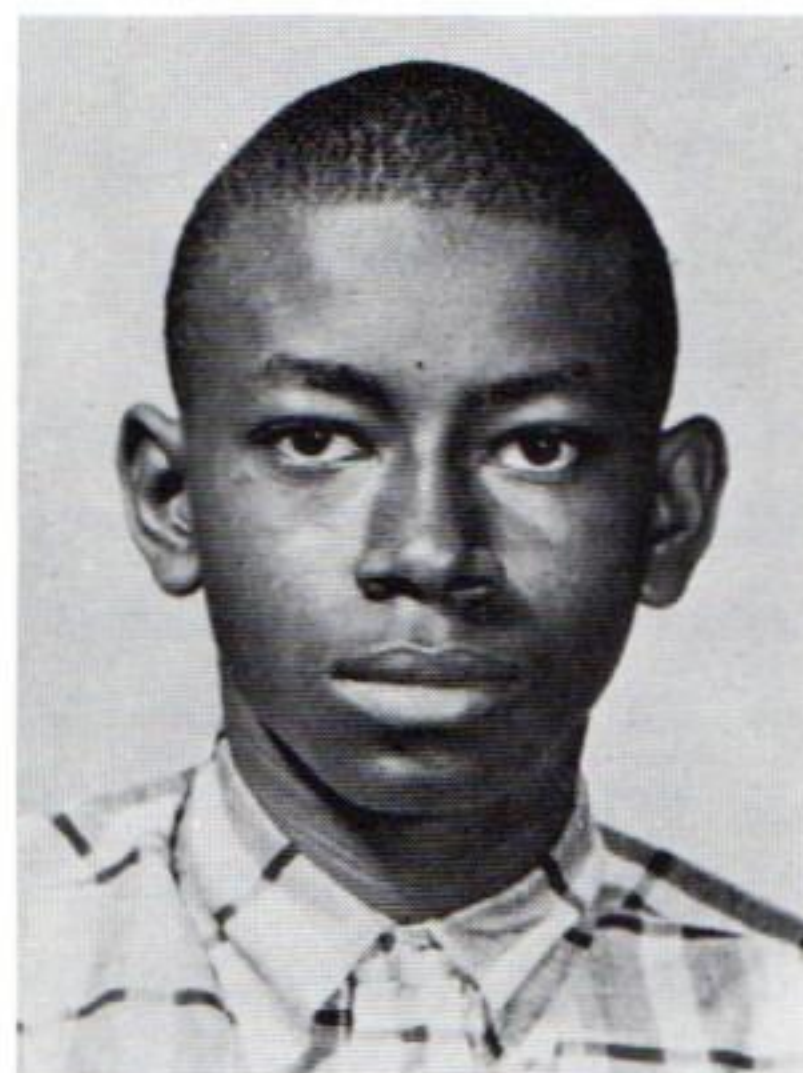
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REBECCA ANNE PETERS

Rebecca Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Peters, System Engineering, Beaumont, was named to the A honor roll at James Bowie Junior High School where she was a seventh grade student. She was a member of the Bowie tumbling team and was on the staff of the Buffalo Roundup, the school newspaper.



EARL ROSS

Earl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Ross, Beaumont T&D, received a certificate of merit in general math as the highest ranking student in the ninth grade at Hebert High School.



CYNTHIA LUE SMITH

Cynthia Lue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray Smith, meter reader at Calvert, received a certificate of award for being an honor roll student at Calvert Elementary School.



NITA WINGARD

Nita, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. "Buck" Wingard, commercial sales representative, Orange, was named copy editor for "The Red Raider," first annual for Bridge City Junior High School. She was historian for the National Junior Honor Society and librarian for the band. She was in a brass ensemble that received a first place rating in University Interscholastic League competition.



RITA WINGARD

Rita, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wingard, was head majorette for the Bridge City Junior High School Band and made a first rating in solo twirling and a third rating in competition at the CavOILCade Twirling Contest in Port Arthur. She is a member of National Junior Honor Society and historian for the student council.



# Port Arthur Picnic

**SUMMER IS PICNIC TIME** and that's what about 200 Port Arthur Division Gulf Staters did on Saturday, June 18.

The family outing took place at well-shaded Port Neches City Park and games, good food and plenty of visiting were the order of the day.

Working together to make the day a success were: Ray Pool, general chairman; Leonard Gaspard, entertainment; Don Ramsey, Don Boring, Doug Watkins, and Ray Kearney, committee members; F. T. Hargrove, food committee chairman, with J. L. Kelly as committee member; and J. C. Queen, safety man.







**PEPA PHOTO CONTEST.** Bill Richard, system industrial and commercial sales supervisor, presents Wallace Sisk, Advertising, with a first place award in the annual Petroleum Electric Power Association's Advertising Photographic Contest. The winning entry, a floodlighting shot of Cherokee Pipeline, Lake Charles, was judged the best dramatic black and white photo of a pipeline operation. Participants in the contest included all utilities in the south belonging to PEPA. Winning photographs will be used as source material for PEPA's 1966-67 advertising program.

## Customers' Letters Continue To Reflect Good Public Relations

### FROM CONROE:

*(The following letter was received by W. E. Dinkins, district superintendent, Conroe, following the Nuclear Symposium sponsored by our Company, the Texas utilities companies and the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation at the University of Texas, June 12-15.)*

Dear Dink:

You and your company are to be commended very highly for your participation in the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation. We want to thank you and your company for choosing James Young of our town to attend the Symposium at Austin. We know that you had a hand in choosing this fine young man.

We really appreciate having firms doing business in our area which are

interested in promoting the young people in our community.

Yours sincerely,  
Richard E. Hill  
Vice President  
First National  
Bank in Conroe

### FROM BEAUMONT:

Dear Mr. Reagan:

I would like to thank you and Gulf States Utilities Company for giving me the opportunity of attending the Texas Nuclear Science Symposium at the University of Texas. I would especially like to thank you because you went out of your way to see that my stay and that of the others whom Gulf States sponsored was a memorable one.

I learned a lot at the symposium and I am just beginning to give all my notes a thorough going over. The opportunity of meeting so many

people of extraordinary intelligence, all concentrating on the same topic, was a stimulating experience for me.

Sincerely yours,  
J. G. Brown  
Kelly High School  
Beaumont, Texas

### FROM NAVASOTA:

*This letter was received by A. W. Baird, division manager, Navasota, following our Company's sponsorship of the one-day Economic Development Clinic for Navasota business people.*

Dear Albert:

We are again indebted to you and your company for allowing us the use of your personnel and equipment for our Navasota Economic Development Clinic.

Gulf States Utilities Company deserves full credit for the success of the Clinic. Without this equipment and help we could not have accomplished this success.

With our sincere thanks and best wishes, we are

Sincerely,  
Wm. Albert Miller, President  
Grimes County  
Chamber of Commerce

### FROM BATON ROUGE:

*The following letter was received by Earl Broussard, commercial sales representative, Lafayette, in appreciation of his help at the recent 4-H encampment. This type of civic work is just one example of how Gulf Staters make themselves an important part of the communities in which they live and work.*

Dear Earl:

Our agents are most grateful to you for the many many ways in which you have helped us. Your help with electric demonstrations at club meetings, electric workshops and clinics and your ideas and suggestions have contributed much to the improvement of our 4-H program.

Our recent 4-H encampment was a real fine success in the minds of all those who attended. I thought your efforts with your class contributed much to the success of the education



program, because it was so well planned, very informative, and very interesting. Your efforts in looking after the P.A. system, our electrical needs, the movies you showed, and your help with swimming, athletics and the night program contributed immensely to the success of the camp program.

Also, we are most grateful to you and your company for making it possible to recognize the Outstanding Boys and Girls and the Jr. Counselors at camp. Please express our appreciation to those who helped to make the very fine awards possible.

The "Red Apple" our agents presented to you represented their affection for you and their appreciation for your help. It is nice to work with people like you who are dedicated and devoted to their work and love boys and girls.

I hope you will come to see us whenever you are in Baton Rouge or on the LSU campus, and I hope we have an opportunity to camp together again.

Sincerely,  
C. J. Naquin  
District Program Specialist (4-H)

### FROM ORANGE:

Dear Sir:

A few hours ago I experienced an emergency related to my electric range. In response to my call to Gulf States, a Mr. Sparks was sent out to correct the difficulty.

I wish to offer my commendation for the prompt, efficient, and most courteous service this man performed.

As a stockholder in Gulf States, I am pleased to observe the rendition of such fine service.

Yours sincerely,  
Sylvia K. Miller  
(Mrs. E. K. Miller)

Dear Mrs. Miller

Thank you for taking time to write your letter of June 18, and for the thoughts you expressed concerning our service.

As an electric utility company, we feel that our service does not end with the delivery of electricity to a cus-

tommer. As a stockholder, you know that service at reasonable rates is not easy in this era of inflated costs of almost everything, but this is our goal. It is encouraging to get letters such as yours.

I am passing your comments along to Mr. Sparks' supervisor in Orange. All of us appreciate your interest and hope we can continue to merit your confidence.

Very truly yours,  
T. O. Charlton,  
Superintendent,  
Orange District

### FROM NEDERLAND:

*Good public relations is everybody's responsibility at Gulf States. It was proved again last month when two of our Port Arthur Division employees stopped along a busy highway to lend assistance to a mother and her small baby who had run out of gas. Mrs. Freddy R. Rogers was so impressed that she took time to write the following letter. The "Calvin" and "Jack" she mentions are Calvin Jaetzold, residential sales representative, Mid-County District, and Jack Goff, serviceman, Port Arthur. The few minutes they took to render aid probably won a lifelong friend for our Company.*

Gentlemen:

This afternoon I was driving from Port Arthur to Nederland and ran out of gas on a deserted part of the highway. My four-month old daughter was in the car with me, but you would be surprised how many people just went zooming by.

However, two of your employees (driving one of your cars) turned around to help me. I am sorry to say I did not get their names but one was a young man with your Nederland office and the other works out of your Port Arthur and Beaumont offices. Their first names were Calvin and Jack, I believe. These men took my daughter and me to a station and stayed to see that I got help.

I would just like to express to you my appreciation of these fine employees of yours, as I'm sure you

realize how frightening it can be for a woman stranded on the highway alone.

Thanking you again, I am

Very truly yours,  
Mrs. Freddy R. Rogers

### FROM BATON ROUGE:

Dear Mr. Shaw:

It is indeed a pleasure, in behalf of the Louisiana FFA members, teachers of Vocational Agriculture and State staff members, to express our appreciation to you for participating on the annual awards program of the Second Farm Electrification-Mechanics Awards Luncheon held during the Thirty-Seventh Annual FFA Convention.

It was indeed a pleasure to have you make the presentation of the certificates and area winners' plaques sponsored by the Louisiana Investor-Owned Utility Companies. We appreciate the fine support given to us by Southwestern Electric Power Company, Louisiana Power and Light Company, Central Louisiana Electric Company, and Gulf States Utilities Company. We sincerely hope we can continue to merit such fine consideration as you people have shown us for the past several years.

Again we thank you.

Sincerely,  
John D. Vallot  
Supervisor-Executive Secretary

### FROM HOUSTON:

Dear Mr. Dinkins:

Just a little belated note to say "thank you" for helping us with our power problem at Flamingo Lakes. Mrs. Woodward and I spent Fourth of July weekend at the cabin and everything was just perfect. We appreciate your kindness.

Very truly yours,  
W. J. Woodward  
President  
Reagan State Bank



# Fun Day At Beaumont's Live Wires Picnic

**B**EAUMONT EMPLOYEES and their families enjoyed another beautiful summer day at the annual Live Wires picnic at the club grounds near Silsbee.

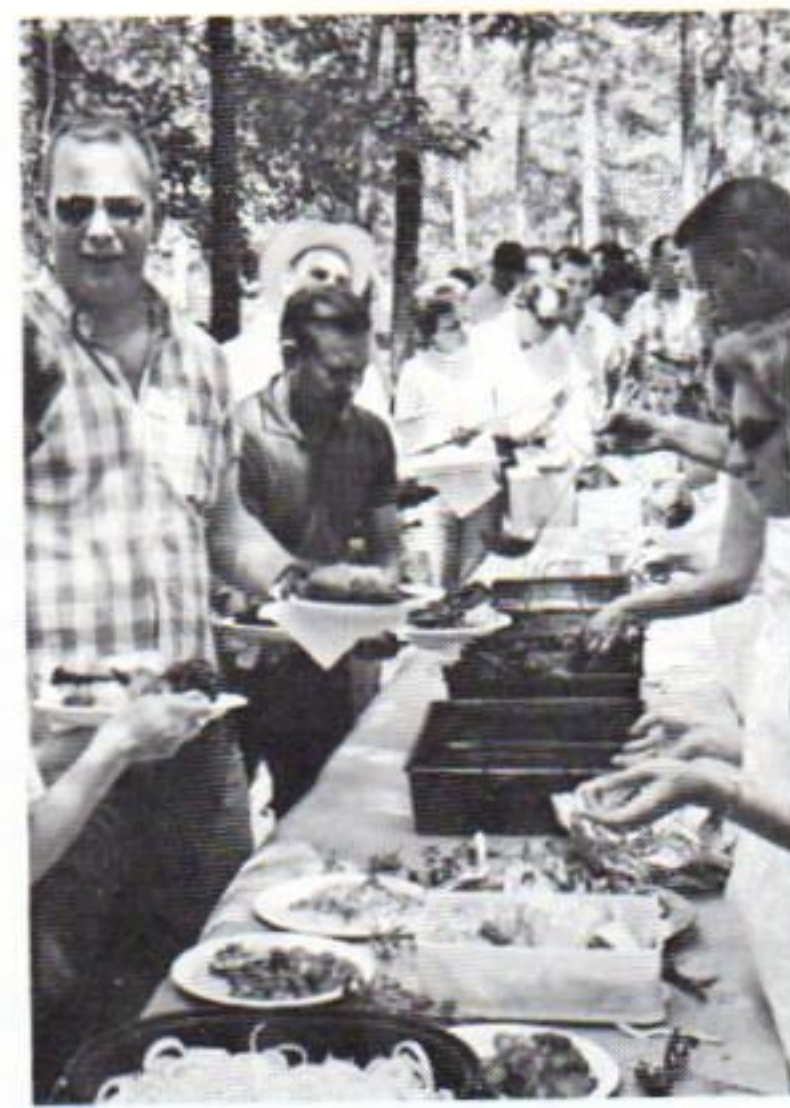
Some 200 families were on hand to eat barbecued chicken prepared by the club's outdoor chefs. General chairman for this year's event was **Gerald Dean**.

Added attraction for the kids this year was a bosun-chair ride rigged up between two tall pine trees. The steady stream of youngsters left a couple of engineers, **John Warmack** and **H. Lee Hammack**, worn out by the end of the day.

The annual fishing rodeo saw the lakeshore lined with children and poles. The largest fish was caught by **Andy Faggard**, son of **A. C. "Bobo" Faggard** while the most fish were turned in by **Raymond Welch, Jr.**, son of **Ray Welch**. There were also prizes for the girls, but none were able to hook any fish.

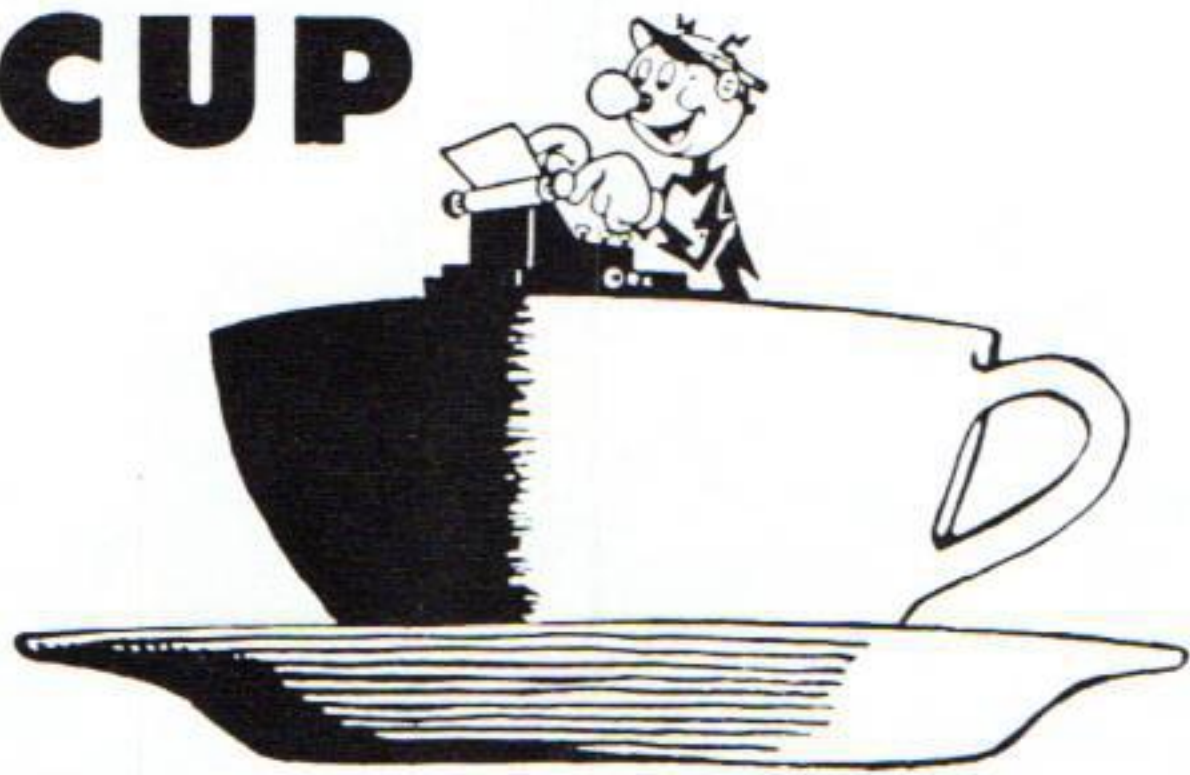








# COFFEE CUP



**B**ERNICE EAVES went to Bakersfield, California, with her sister and brother-in-law, the George Kennedy's. They came back by way of the Grand Canyon, the Painted Desert and the Petrified Forest.

Other vacationers included **Glenda Sims** and **Jessie Dyer**.

**Sally Dowden** went to Waco and enroute took in Six Flags. The next

weekend, she attended the horse show in Houston.

—By *Glenda Hinkle*

## JENNINGS

**JENNINGS DISTRICT** employees have been enjoying vacations recently.

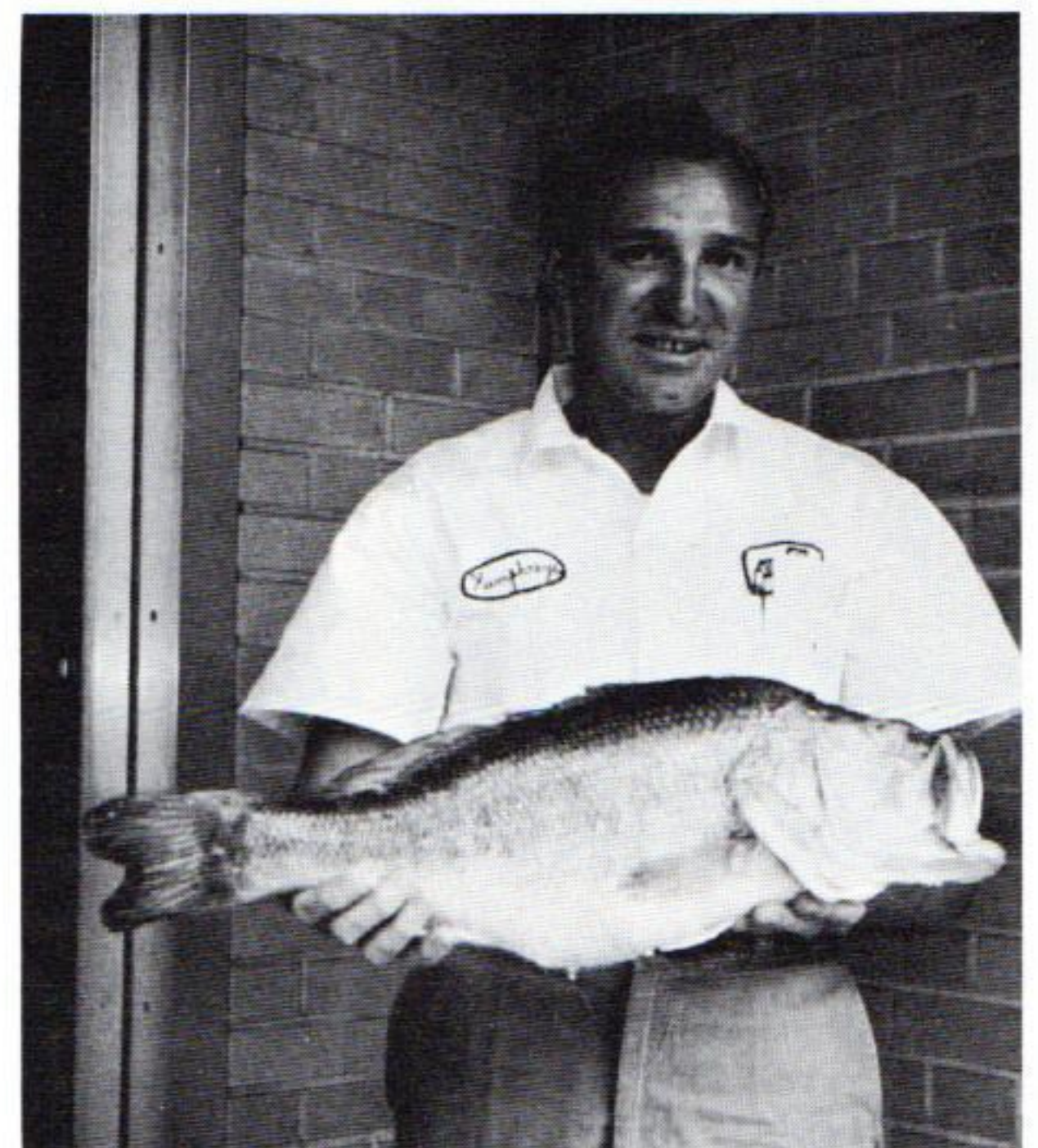
**Amos L. Fontenot**, meter reader, spent a week vacationing at home, painting his home and also playing golf.

**Mrs. Sylvia Guillotte**, clerk, spent a week's vacation moving into her recently completed Gold Medallion home. Although it was a lot of hard work, Sylvia said it was well worth while.

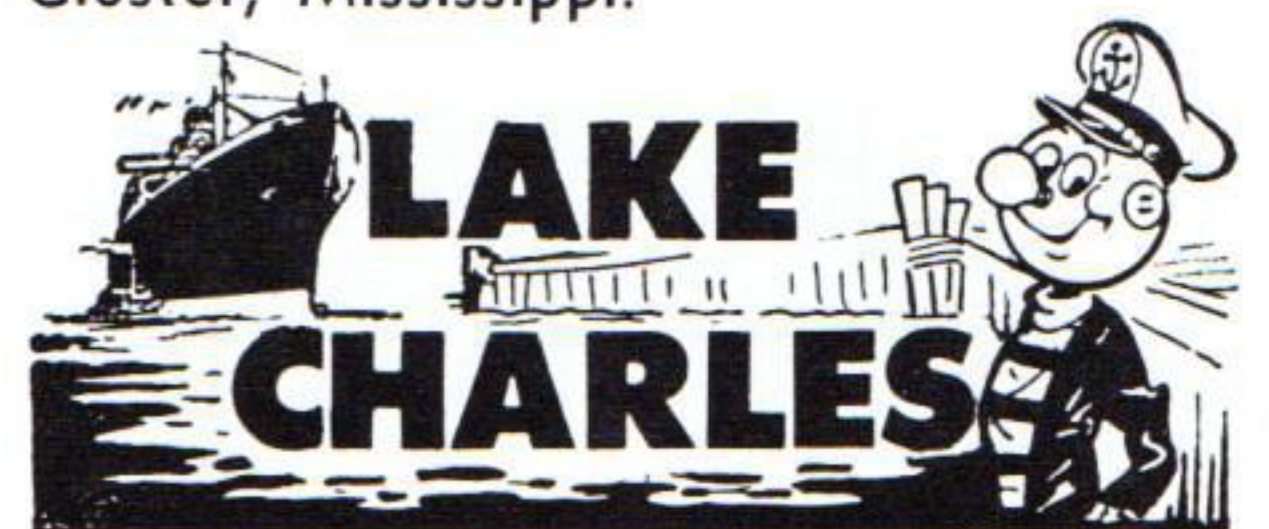
**Hutt Reed**, commercial sales representative, spent a week relaxing by visiting friends and his parents at Lafayette. Our sympathy also goes to Hutt on the loss of one of his finest quarter horses, "Glow Royal".

**Martin Wagnon**, residential sales representative, enjoyed cleaning his beautiful yard and also got in some golf playing.

—By *Mary Gauthier*



**BIG CATCH.** Lionel B. Humphries, meter reader, Baton Rouge, caught this seven pounder in a lake near Gloster, Mississippi.



**THE LAKE CHARLES** Substation Department has a new reporter, **Dorothy L. Cooley**, who began work on June 6. Dorothy is from Ragley, Louisiana, where she finished high school in 1965. After completing high school, she attended McNeese State College for one year before coming to work in the Substation Department.

Another new employee in the Substation Department is **Frank Golithly**. He began work on June 1 and is a graduate of Iowa High School. Before coming to work in the Substation Department, Frank was employed by Ashy Construction Company.

—By *Dorothy L. Cooley*

**MARGARET ATRELLE**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Billy Corbello of Lake Chares, was graduated from Lake Charles High School. Mr. Corbello was employed in the T&D in Lake Charles from 1947 to 1954.



Atrelle plans to attend McNeese State College in the fall and will major in physical education.



**CAMPING OUT.** Getting ready to unpack a knapsack are Jackie Perrin, Belinda Benoit, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Benoit, he's a meter reader in Jennings, and Deborah Bordelon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bordelon, he's a residential sales representative in Jennings. The girls participated in the week-long Girl Scouts camporee, June 27 to July 1. (Photo courtesy of the Jennings Daily News.)



## NAVASOTA

**Herbert Goebel**, brother of **Billy Goebel**, departmental clerk in the Navasota Engineering Department, was awarded the \$600 Samuel Dale Marett, Jr., Scholarship Award upon his graduation from Navasota High School. He is a summer employee in Navasota.

## Weddings

**Roy L. Anderson**, substation operator, Beaumont, was wed to **Linda King** in Charleston, S. C., on May 28.

**Philip M. Carlin**, helper, Port Arthur T&D-Line, and **Miss Barbara Brasseaux** of Groves, were wed May 28 in the Immaculate Conception Church in Groves. They are now making their home at 3630 14th Street, Port Arthur.

**Carolyn M. Pansano**, clerk, Port Arthur Accounting, was wed to **Tommy L. Romero** on June 4.

**Grant T. Sutton**, shop and field tester, Beaumont Meter, and **Michele Watkins** were wed on June 4.

## HAVE A CIGAR ON-

**Mrs. Tyrelle Hill**, Lake Charles Safety-Claims, adopted a son, **Paul D.** Paul was born May 9. Mrs. Hill resigned from our Company on June 3.

**Mr. and Mrs. William L. Dupuy**, operator's helper, Louisiana Station, a son, **Russell Paul**, June 8.

**Mr. and Mrs. Charlie A. Hart**, apprentice, T&D-Line, Port Arthur, a son, **Brett Joseph**, May 29.

**Mr. and Mrs. Fedrick Green**, an employee at Nelson Station, a son, **Craig**, June 12.

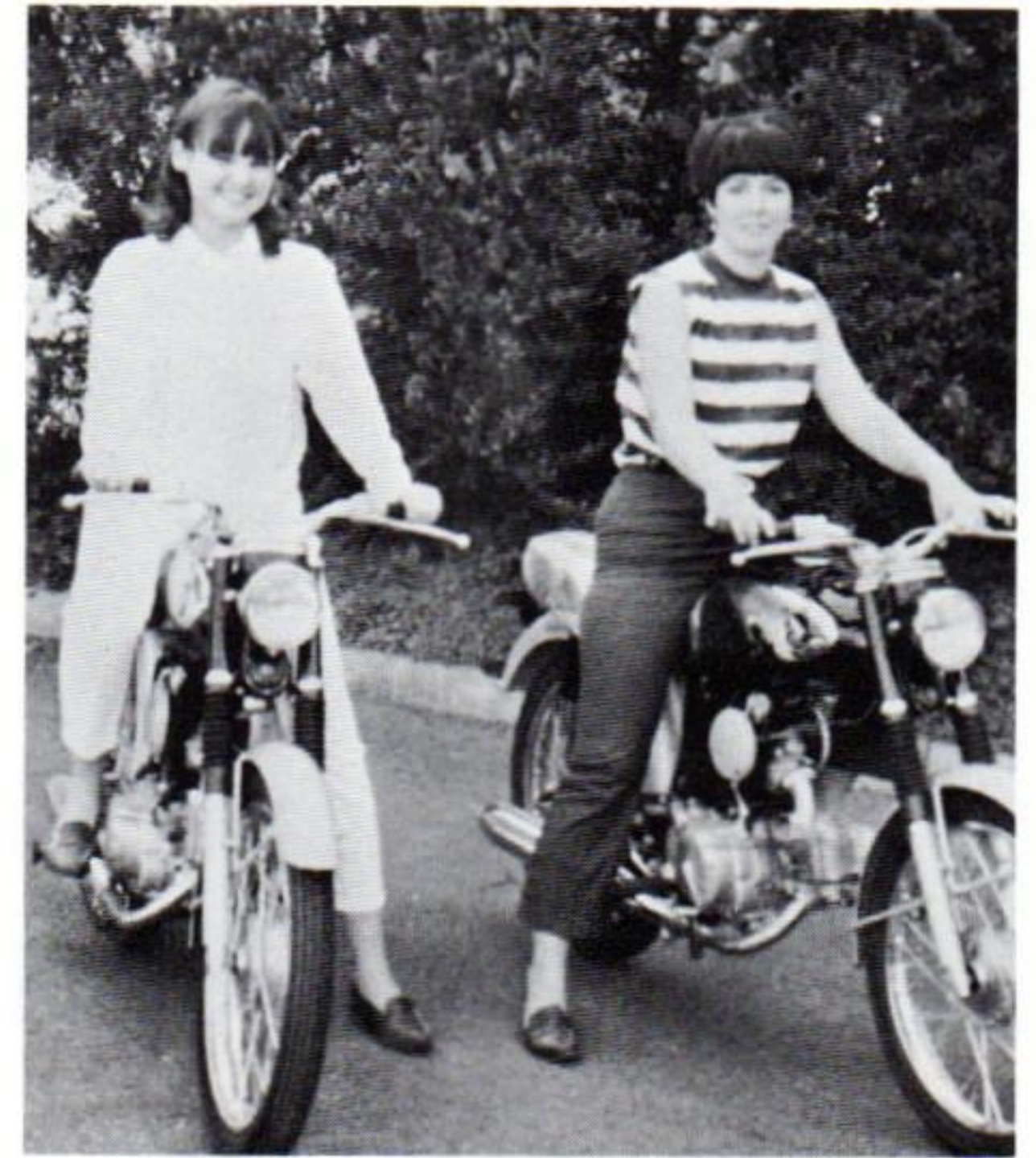
**Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Wheeler, Jr.**, senior draftsman, Beaumont, a daughter, **Celeste Ann**, June 13. Mrs. Wheeler is a former employee in System Advertising and System Engineering.

**Mr. and Mrs. Basil C. Haley**, serviceman first class, Lake Charles, a daughter, **Vivian Dianne**, June 1.

**Mr. and Mrs. Carol Foreman**, appli-

ance repairman, first class, Lake Charles, a daughter, **Mary Esther**, June 6.

**Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Nugent**, lineman fourth class, Orange, a daughter, **Karen Jane**, June 18.



**ON WHEELS.** Gail Sanches, Service Application, Baton Rouge, and Janet Holland, cashier, Baton Rouge, are out to beat the high cost of transportation with their new Hondas which they occasionally ride to work.



**SALES OUTING.** The Baton Rouge residential sales representatives and their families take time out during the sales outing to pose for camera. The outing, which included archery, swimming and bingo, was highlighted by the election of Miss Harriet Babin, left, as "Sales Queen of the Day." The affair, featuring a barbecued chicken supper, was held at Silliman College in Clinton. Pictured above are: left to right, bottom row, Gerri Glover, Georgie Simon, Fredda Hobgood and V. J. Braud; middle row, Sarah Goff, Jan Brady, Mildred Tribble, Pinkie Andrews, Thadlie Brady, Peggy McMurray and Tommy Allen; back row, Aubrey Glover, Julius Courtney, Larry Welborn, Louise Courtney, Anne Shaw, Odessa Braud, Jessie Braud and Bill Hobgood.



# SERVICE AWARDS

## FORTY YEARS



N. B. Carpenter  
Sales  
Lake Charles



P. J. Guelfi  
Information Services  
Beaumont



E. H. Little  
Sales  
Lake Charles



N. C. Spencer  
Engineering Services  
Beaumont

## TEN YEARS



J. E. Booker  
System Production  
Beaumont



F. B. Larriviere  
Engineering Services  
Beaumont



Harry O'Quinn  
T&D  
Lake Charles



William B. Reynolds  
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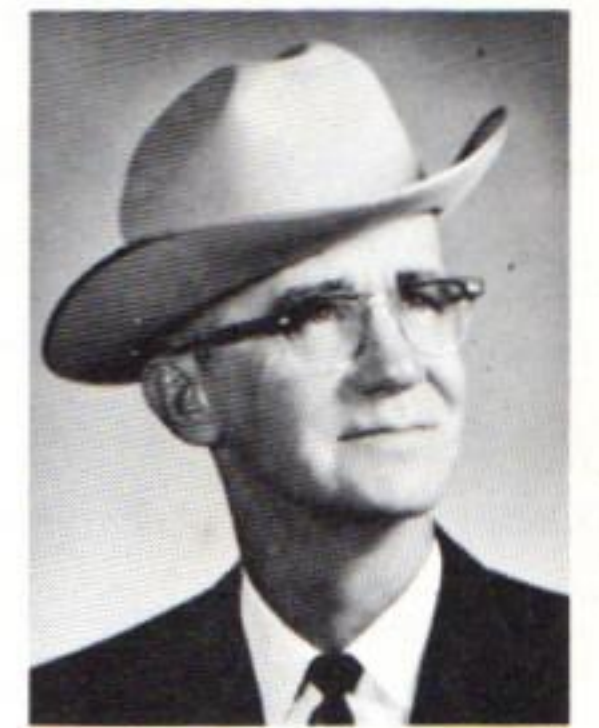


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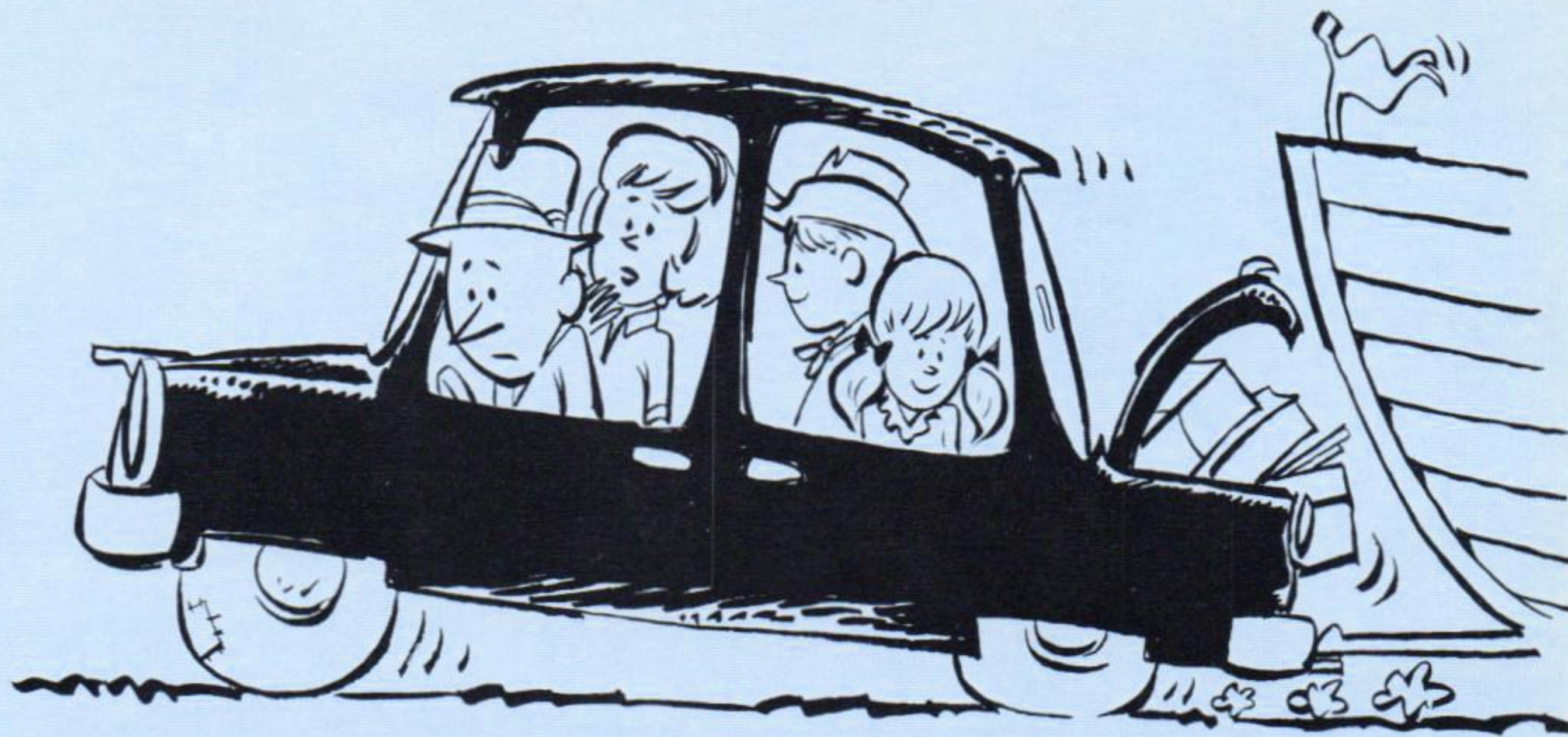
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# Is your car vacation-ready?



**A TRACK MAN** conditions himself carefully before tackling a cross-country course. Similarly, your car needs special conditioning for hot, fast cross-country travel, particularly if its usual exercise consists mostly of running errands at slow city speeds.

Your family is probably among the nine out of ten looking forward to a vacation by car this year. So during the month before your trip, plan to give your car the attention it needs to withstand the rigors of highway driving. Follow this checklist to insure a safe and carefree trip:

☐ Do your tires show any bruises or abrasions?

Misshapen tire surfaces indicate internal blisters or ply separations which can cause a blowout in hot highway driving.

☐ Do the tires have any cuts, missing chunks of tread, imbedded nails or glass?

Probe each laceration with a screwdriver or special probing tool to see how deep it is. Any cut that penetrates to the first layer of fabric is serious enough to condemn a tire.

☐ How about the spare?

Any suspicious tire should be removed from its wheel and put on the tire spreader for a close inspection of its inner surface.

☐ Do your tires need additional pressure?

The rigors of highway driving—plus a weighty load of passengers, luggage or trailer—will make your tires squeal for more air, probably four or more pounds of pressure than they need for city driving. Consult your owner's manual or ask your car dealer.

☐ Does your owner's manual indicate it's time for a front wheel bearing checkup?

Choose a trusty mechanic for this ticklish job. It takes an experienced man who will protect the bearings from dirt as he removes, cleans, lubricates and reinstalls them.

☐ Do your brakes need relining?

This check should be made at the time the front wheel bearings are repacked. A good mechanic can tell at a glance whether the brake linings need to be replaced. Front linings usually wear out before those on the rear wheels. But if the front brakes are badly worn, be sure to have the rear brakes inspected as well.

☐ Are your springs, shock absorbers or exhaust system defective?

These parts are closely connected with your driving safety—don't overlook them.

☐ Have you thought about your brake hydraulic system?

If your car is three or four years old, and especially if there has been fluid leakage at the master cylinder or any wheel cylinder, you should order a complete overhaul of the system.

☐ Has your steering system been checked lately?

The standard procedure includes a complete safety inspection for loose or worn parts and realignment of the entire system. Proper alignment is imperative for ease and safety in steering and also saves tires from excessive wear.

☐ Are all the lights okay?

There may be as many as 40 light bulbs in your car, probably more than you have in your house. But with someone helping, you can check them all in two or three minutes.

☐ Are your headlights okay for night driving?

Remember that after the whole family and all their luggage is loaded into the car, the rear-end spring depression may allow the headlights to shoot too high into the air. To avoid blinding oncoming motorists, redistribute the load, perhaps by using a top carrier for luggage.

☐ Are the belts and hoses in good shape?

Ask your serviceman to double-check these important (but inexpensive) parts to make sure they are sound enough for a hot highway trip.

☐ Is the air filter's time about up? Consult your owner's manual. If the air filter is nearing the end of its life, replace it now—you'll save gas on the vacation trip.

☐ How about the radiator?

Your car's cooling system will be getting a hard workout. Be sure the radiator is clean and properly filled.

☐ Did you check the windshield washer and wipers?

Fill the washer reservoir, then try the washer to make sure nozzles aren't plugged. If wipers don't clean the glass without streaks, replace the blades.

☐ Is the horn loud and clear?

Horns sometimes get out of adjustment, but it's not difficult to re-voice most models. The horn ring is adjustable too, and it's in need of attention if it doesn't make positive easy, even contact all around.

☐ Finally, what about the seat belts? Check to see that they're all in good condition, properly attached and adjusted. Then make sure all occupants wear their belts—every traveling minute.



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