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What! New Year's Again!

*"In masks outrageous and austere,
The years go by in single file;
But none has merited my fear,
And none has quite escaped my smile."*

—ELINOR WYLIE.

AS THE SWIFT SEASONS ROLL—faster and faster as our years increase—we are reminded of our changing views of time. To a child, it seems that Christmas will never come and the years drag by with leaden feet. To a man in his prime of vigor and achievement, there is never enough time to do the things he dreams. And those who have grown old gracefully can say with Browning, *"the best is yet to be, the last of life for which the first was made."*

Life is not measured by years but by experience. The Bible says of Methuselah that he lived 969 years and then he died. What did he do for the world or for posterity in all those years? Many a young genius who died in his youth, flashing like a meteor across the sky of time, has left a blaze of brilliance to inspire and to uplift all men.

It is not the years that count but what we do with them that is important. We Americans who rush and hurry to accumulate money and heart disease, might learn a lesson of gracious living from our Mexican neighbors who find time to live as they go along. They have a toast which says: *"Here's health and wealth and time to enjoy them."*

On this New Year's Day of 1948, our sincere greeting for you may be best expressed in that wise, beautiful and often quoted Chinese proverb: *"Enjoy yourself. It is later than you think."*

—HUBERT M. HARRISON.

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The Gracefulness of An Accomplished Ice Skater Is Never Equalled. Photo by H. Armstrong Roberts.

REQUISITES FOR CONTENTED LIVING

Johann Wolfgang Goethe's nine requisites for contented living are here given in brief: "Health enough to make work a pleasure. Wealth enough to support your needs. Strength to battle with difficulties and overcome them. Grace enough to confess your sins and forsake them. Patience enough to toil until some good is accomplished. Charity enough to see some good in your neighbor. Love enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others. Faith enough to make real the things of God. Hope enough to remove all anxious fears of the future."

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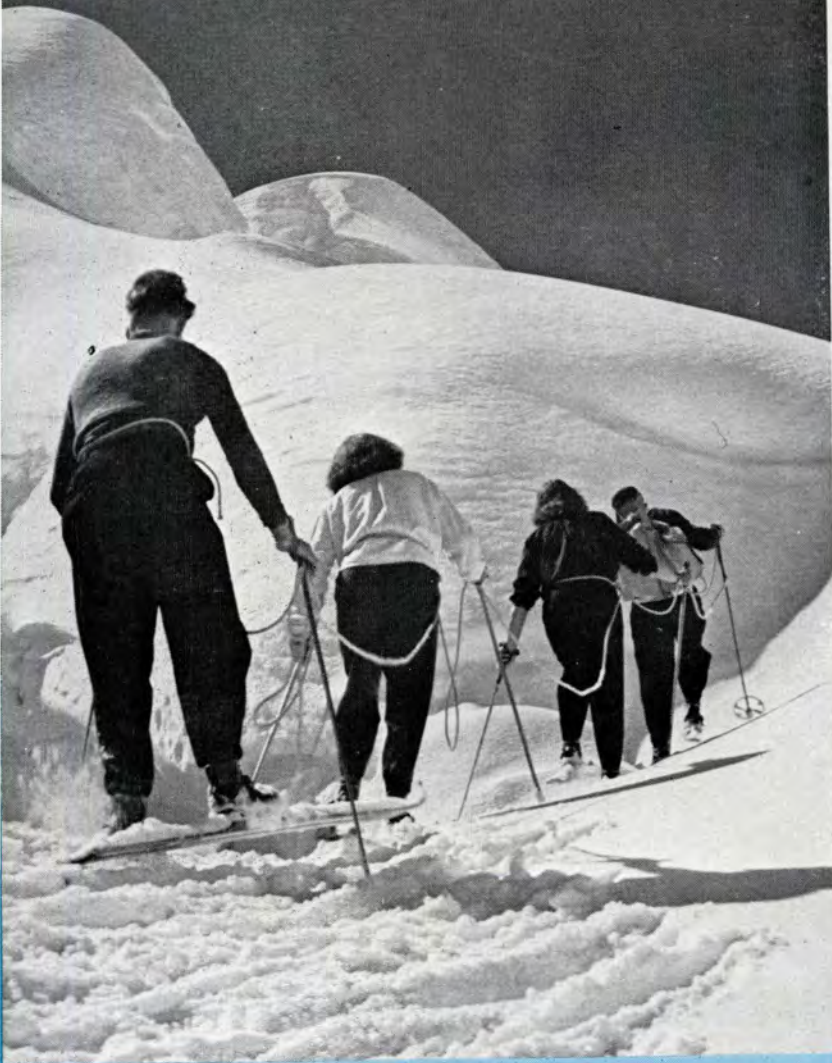
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An ascent on skis is a thrilling adventure at Eismeer in the realm of the Jungfrau railway. Photo by Pilet.



SWITZERLAND

Land Where



TRAVELERS and winter sports fans will focus special attention on Switzerland this season, particularly during the Winter Olympic Games in St. Moritz from January 30 to February 8. This, of course, will be the highlight event. Twenty-six nations, including the United States, will take part in the skiing, figure skating, bobsledding, ice hockey and other competitions.

But if you can't get to St. Moritz for the Olympics, Switzerland has over one hundred and twenty other winter centers—all of them located in settings of breath-taking splendor. Each of these high altitude resorts—in the Grisons, Bernese Oberland, Canton Valais or in French speaking Switzerland—offers a complete program of colorful events and entertainment from mid-December through March.

Right: Winter wields a magic wand at St. Moritz. Photo by R. Steiner.

ERLAND

WINTER WIELDS
A MAGIC WAND



A skier executes a daring leap in the mountains of Glarus. Photo by Schonwetter.

The tourist in Switzerland "never had it so good" as right now. Always famous for its hospitality and know-how in showing visitors a good time, the Alpine republic is today better able than ever to play host to U. S. guests. These are prosperous times for the Swiss, and the country's well-being is reflected in neat, bustling cities like Zurich, Basle, Geneva and Berne. You see it in the well supplied shops and stores, in new rolling stock on the railroads, and new streamlined buses speeding over the scenic Alpine passes. Most of the hotels gleam with fresh coats of paint, with new decorations, furniture and plumbing. You notice Switzerland's overall health most of all in the smiling faces of apple-cheeked, well fed youngsters—many of them guests from neighboring countries, taken in by the Swiss for recuperative vacations.

There is often an impression that Switzerland



A sports train of the Gornergrat railway at Zermatt climbs up to the great snow fields of Riffelalp. Photo by A. Klopfenstein.



Start of the famous bobsleigh run at St. Moritz. Photo by A. Steiner.



A fair skater gives a dazzling performance of her skill and grace at St. Moritz. Photo by H. Niedecken.



The cable-sleigh "Fram" makes ascents easy for skiers on Geils-Hahnenmoos near Adelboden. Photo by A. Klopfenstein.



It's fun to attend the ski school at beautiful Trubsee above Engelberg.



On the skating rink at Wengen in the Bernese Oberland, Switzerland.



Horse races on the frozen lake are an outstanding attraction at St. Moritz. Photo by Blau.

is expensive to visit. Prices, of course, are higher than before the war. But only consumer goods, such as you see in the shops along Zurich's Bahnhofstrasse, are noticeably more expensive. The tourist who wants to travel and have a good time finds himself spending comparatively moderate sums. For example, excellent hotel accommodations range from eight to twelve dollars a day—much less in the smaller houses and picturesque country inns and pensions. What's more, all hotel rates include three meals. Rationing is still in effect in Switzerland, but visitors find they get more than enough coupons to enjoy eating whatever they choose, including the delicious Swiss patisseries served at tea-time.

The Swiss Federal Railroads help keep travel costs down, too, by issuing eight and fifteen day tickets at greatly reduced rates. An eight-day "season ticket," good for unlimited travel over 3000 miles of rail and lake steamer routes, costs only about twenty-three dollars. The Swiss, incidentally, are rightly proud of their railroads, which are 94 percent electrically operated. The trains are fast, remarkably clean, and run on schedules as precise as a Swiss watch.

When you reach your Swiss winter resort, chances are you will be driven from the railroad station to your hotel by horse-drawn sleigh. Your room will look out on one of those famous alpine vistas: wide open snow slopes that beckon the skier, and pine forests, shaggy under cloaks of snow. Next morning, if you don't know how to ski, you can



Five skiers enjoy a glorious downhill run above Davos. Photo by Peter Frey.



Winter brings tobogganing pleasures to the children of Steckborn on the Untersee. Photo by Hans Baumgartner.



A lone skier wings downhill over new snow to the Albula Valley in the Grisons region.

attend the Swiss Ski School. Every resort has one, with licensed instructors teaching everything from fundamentals to the finer points of downhill and slalom racing. Shuttling up and down the slopes are ski lifts, funiculars, electric mountain trains. You can lunch outdoors in brilliant winter sunshine at one of the sky-top inns or ski huts. Then back to your hotel for tea. And after dinner, there's dancing and all kinds of social activity, including the gay local festivals that seem to be going on every time you look over your shoulder.

Here are just a few resorts from which to choose: Davos, Arosa, Pontresina and, of course, St. Moritz in the Grisons region; in the Oberland, some of the favorites are Grindelwald, Wengen, Murren, Kandersteg, Little Scheidegg, Gstaad; the canton of the Valais offers Zermatt, Saas-Fee, Leukerbad, Montana-Vermala; and in French speaking Switzerland, you find Villars, Chateau d'Oex, Les Avants, Champéry.

Travel formalities in Switzerland are practically non-existent today. A recent ruling, effective November 15th, abolished Swiss visas for all visitors from the United States and Western Hemisphere. If you go by boat, Switzerland is easily reached from England, France or Italy. And frequent flights are offered by many leading airlines, including Swissair, direct to Geneva.

NOTE: For further information concerning travel, reservations, or rates, consult the Swiss National Travel Office, 475 Fifth Avenue, New York 17.



Ice hockey matches are of international and national importance at Davos, site of Europe's largest (7½ acres) ice rink. Photo by E. Meerkamper.



Curling is a jolly sport at Gstaad



A party of skiers ascends the gloriously located Pratsch-Alp above Arosa. Photo by C. Brandt.



Idyllic is the winter setting of this small church in Kandersteg. Photo by Pilet.



A skier's playground above Davos, Switzerland, reflects the splendor of the Alps in winter. Photo by Paul Faiss.



Front row, left to right: Gene Steele, Lion Oil Co., El Dorado, Arkansas; Charles Dyer, Lufkin's Wichita Falls representative; S. M. Ledbetter, Continental Oil Co., Nocona, Texas; G. H. Pickett, Continental, Bowie, Texas. Second row: Joe Bessent, The Texas Co., Electra, Texas; H. J. McNally, Phillips Petroleum Co., Wichita Falls; Bayo Hopper, Lufkin; Frank Davis, Lion Oil Co., El Dorado. Third row: A. E. Caraway and E. P. Trout, Lufkin.



Trying out the boss' chair for size is R. W. Fawcett, Dist. Supt., Henderson District, The Ohio Oil Co., when he visited Lufkin Foundry.

SNAPSHOTS

BY THE *Lufkin* CAMERAMAN



Rube Hurt, Asst. Div. Supt., Carter Oil Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.



Lawrence Snelson, Pure Pipe Line Co., Diboll, Texas.



Chewing on his cigar is L. E. Bales, Prod. Foreman of The Texas Co., Humble, Texas.



Magnolia's Prod. Foreman, Joe Bond, Drumright, Okla.



Smiling W. E. Pierce, lease man of Richfield Oil Corp., North Belridge, Calif., stands beside a Lufkin TC1-41-B.



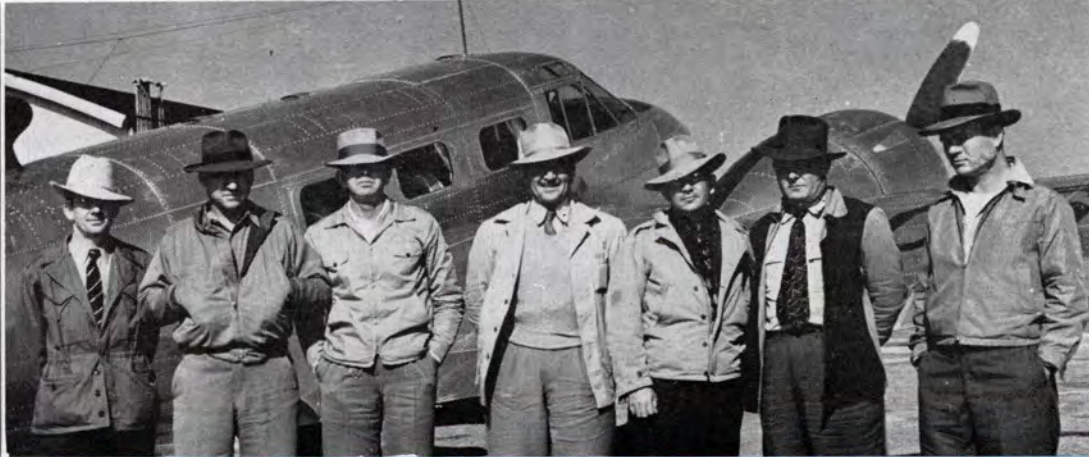
Of Keyes Drilling Co., Ellinwood, Kansas, left to right: Bill Keyes, Ed Isern, I. J. Raeder, Red Knizley, and Bill Banks.



Bernardies E. Mater of the Caribbean Petroleum Co., Maracaibo, Venezuela, with Lufkin's Houston representative Bill Miner.



Shell Oil men, left to right, Clifford Taylor, Kilgore, Texas; H. L. Long; L. Schepers, The Netherlands.



Back from a successful deer hunt are left to right: Don Shaw, Humble Oil & Refining Co.; Paul Turnbull, Humble; R. R. McCarty, Humble; Stanley Carver, Seaboard Oil Co.; Heath Renfro, Southern Minerals Co.; M. B. Harrison, Lufkin's representative; and Bob Beville, Humble, all of Corpus Christi, Texas.



Bob Moth, Pure Oil Co., Corpus Christi, Texas.



Charles Snelson, Seaboard Oil Co., Corpus Christi.



Frank P. Peterson, Chief Engineer, Southern Minerals Corp.



V. E. Ford, Consulting Engineer, Southern Minerals Corp.



Wanted by the Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang. This fugitive is one of their colorful members.



From oil man to cowboy is Curt Oppel, Purchasing Agent of Atlantic Refining Co., Dallas.



K. L. Brown, Dist. Eng., Magnolia Petroleum Co., Wewoka, Okla.



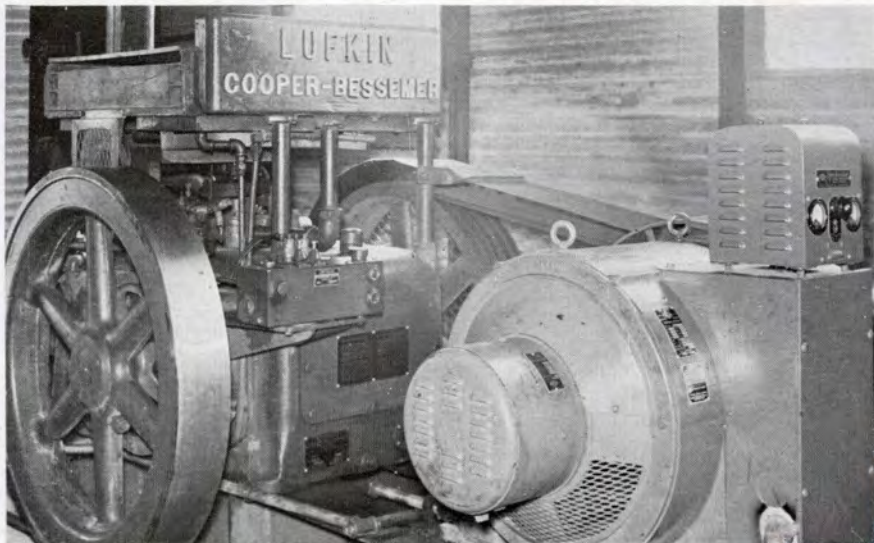
J. W. Crittenden, Buyer for Atlantic Refining Co., Dallas, can't decide whether or not he wants to be a cowboy.



Jeff Bowen, Prod. Foreman, and Ted Mosher, Prod. Engr., of General Petroleum Corp., Belridge, Calif.



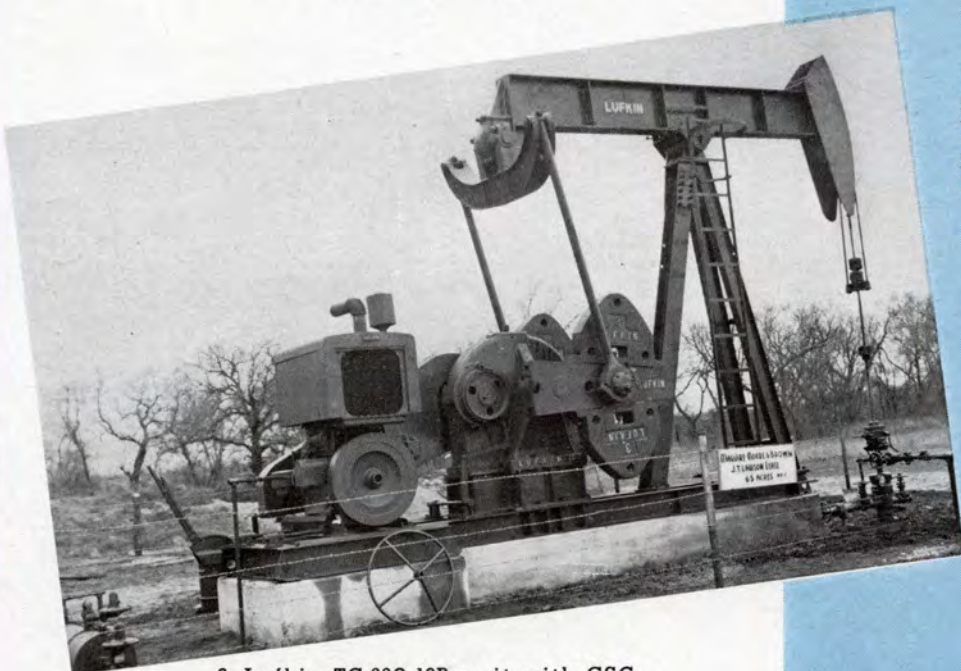
Left to right are your friends with the Atlantic Refining Company, Greggton, Texas: W. H. Wiginton, Dist. Supt., East Texas; H. L. Hamilton, Prod. Foreman, East Texas; T. C. Frick, Dist. Supt., West Texas; J. W. Wharton, South American Industrial Relations Manager; and C. G. Riege of the Philadelphia Office.



1. Lufkin GSD-H installation, 40 KW Generator; A. R. Dillard, Lost Soldiers Field, Oklahoma.



2. Dual installation of Lufkin D creaser driving a 12-inch centrifugal pump discharging 3800 gallons per minute against a 40-foot head. Lufkin Petroleum Co., Plant 2 Fairport, Oklahoma.

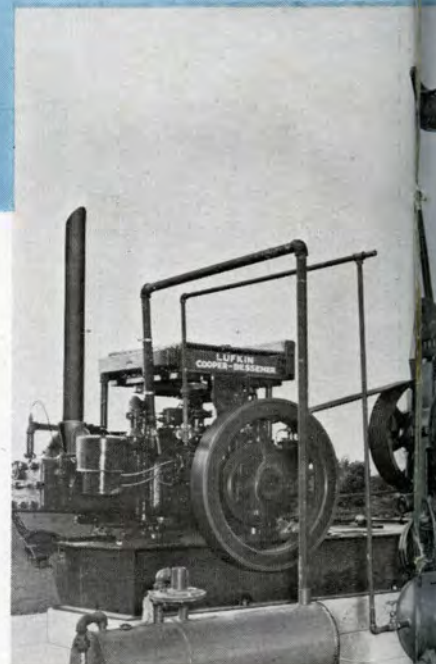


6. Lufkin TC-33A-18B unit with GSC Cooper-Bessemer engine; S. H. Killingsworth; Norman Paul field in Wood County near Quitman, Texas.

4. Lufkin TC-33A-18B unit powered by GSC Lufkin Cooper-Bessemer engine; Maguire, Moore and Brown; Hildreth Pool near Bowie, Texas.

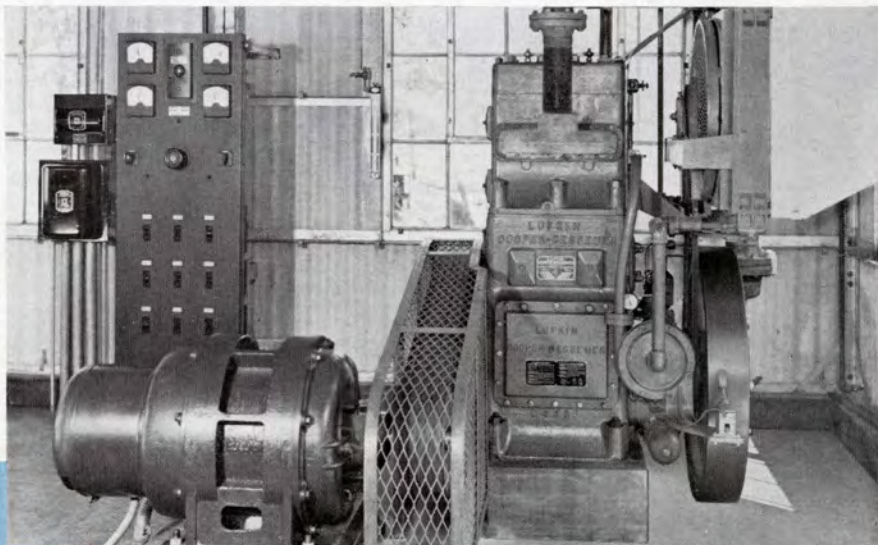
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7. Lufkin TC-OA-60 unit with D-F engine; H. S. Moss; Leesburg Field near Fairport, Oklahoma.





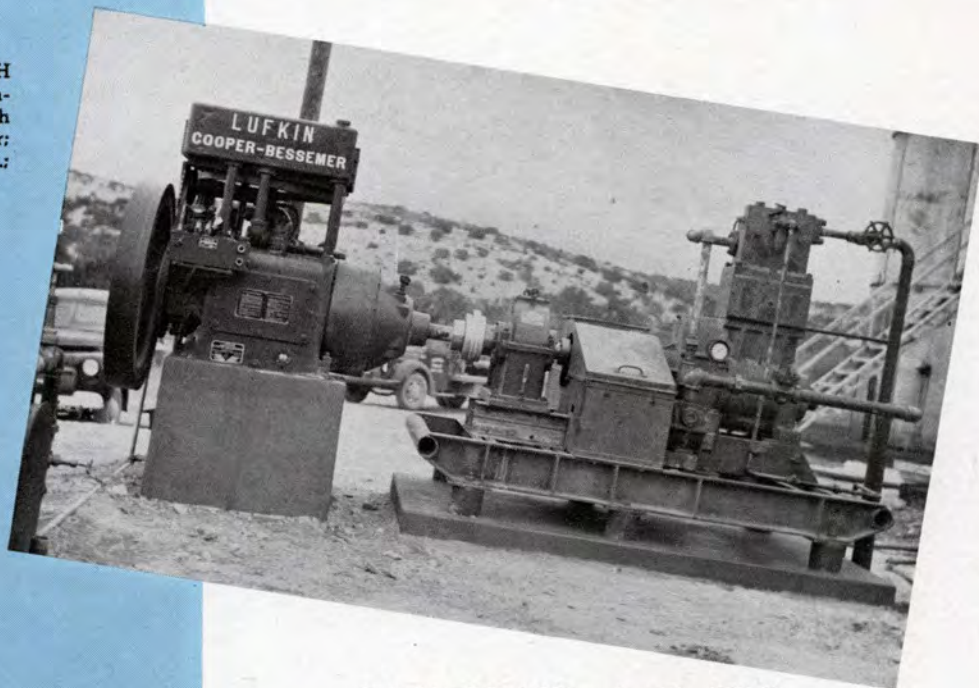
1. Lufkin GSD with Lufkin 5105 Speed Incentrifugal water pump, pumping against a 45-foot head; Warren Petro-20; Fairbanks, Texas.



3. Lufkin GSD installation, 31.5 KW Generator; Lone Star Gas Co., Cayuga, Texas.

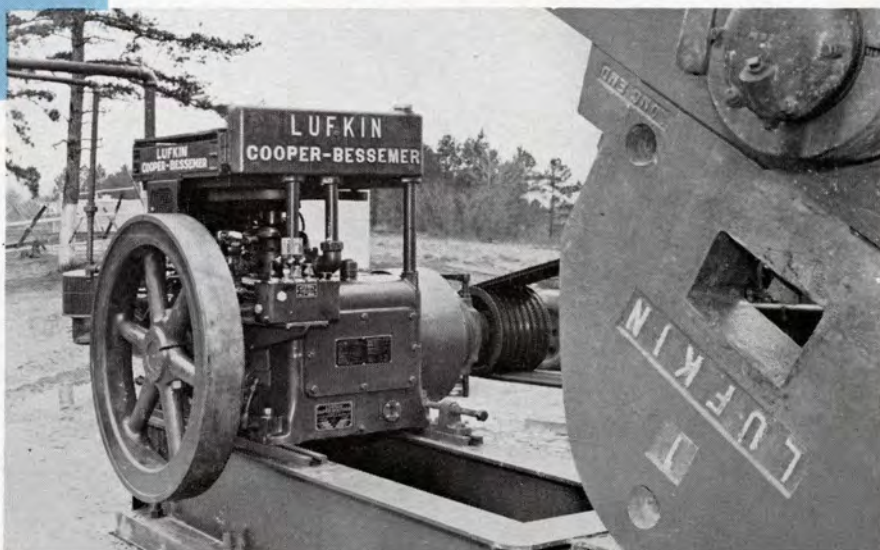
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5. Lufkin GSD-H Cooper-Bessemer engine installation with S-84 Speed Incent; Continental Oil Co.; Big Lake, Texas.



8. Lufkin TC-1A-54B unit with GSD-H engine; Pure Oil Co., Sand Flat Field near Tyler, Texas.

6. GSD-H Cooper Bessemer engine; Field near Pittsburg, Texas.





TAYLOR HOOD
 Manager, Engine Department

Lufkin's

GAS and DIESEL ENGINES

A COMPLETE installation of pumping unit and engine—that was the dream of the late W. C. Trout, president of the Lufkin Foundry & Machine Co. for many years. From this dream, work was begun to develop an engine that could “take it” as the Lufkin unit had proven itself.

In 1943, exclusive rights were obtained to manufacture the Cooper-Bessemer GSC and GSD vertical gas engine. Realizing that the engine was not best adapted for the oil field, Lufkin engineers set about to make changes and add new developments to make the Lufkin engine the pumper's friend.

First, the Cooper-Bessemer GSD vertical engine was made into a twin-cylinder horizontal engine known as the GSD-H which was adapted for pumping unit structure.

Second, a much improved lubricating system was introduced to the GSC and the GSD. One of the difficulties encountered in the usual radiator-cooled engine is the fact that the engine must be placed so that the prevailing wind favors the cooling system. Lufkin's horizontal engine uses a horizontally mounted radiator which makes it possible to place the engine in any location.

Third, more piston rings, an inside mixer, and a new style radiator were added to the Lufkin GSC which made it more suitable for field requirements.

For users of the Lufkin engine, there is still another definite advantage. The Lufkin Foundry & Machine Co. manufactures almost all parts which make up the engine. More parts are made by Lufkin than in any other internal combustion engine plant in the country. Having a source of supply of repair

parts so close to operation means a great deal to the operator.

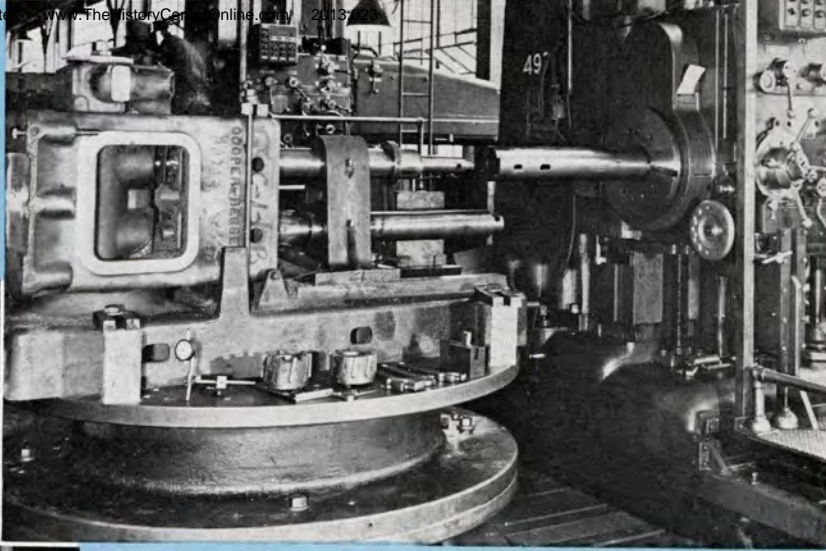
Lufkin is ever looking toward the future. At the present, a new diesel engine has been developed which will operate on crude oil from the leases. Lufkin engineers are now in the process of building a diesel engine which will allow operators who are now using gas engines to convert them to diesel, using crude from their leases when their present gas supply is gone.

Lufkin engines are built by men who have had many years of experience in heavy duty engine construction which enables them to be fully aware of the problems which are encountered in the oil field.

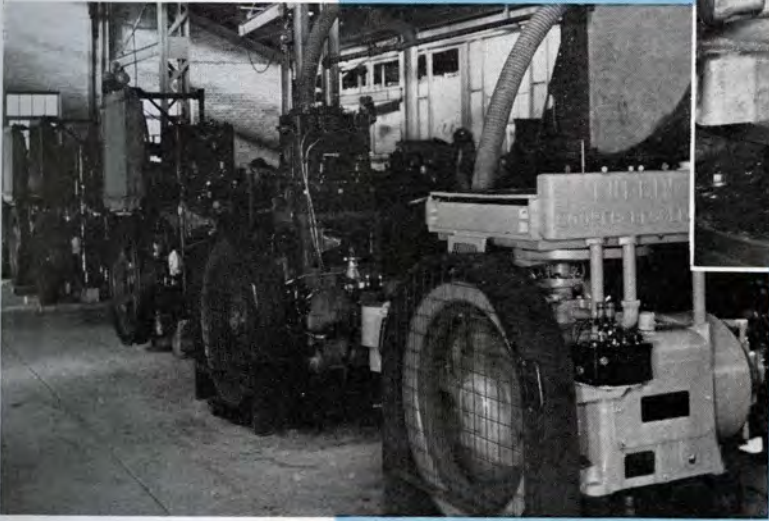
From Pennsylvania to California, Lufkin installations are in ice plants, generator plants, in pipe line service where continuous, dependable operation is necessary, and in oil field pumping. Hearty acceptance by the export trade is indication of the long life and dependable service of the Lufkin engine.

When newer features are discovered, when longer life, lower operational costs, and more dependable service are found in natural gas and diesel engines, Lufkin engineers will have developed them for Lufkin engines.

Right: Boring crosshead guides at one setting insures accuracy of alignment. Honing of bores in a special honing machine insures accuracy and smoothness of crosshead guides.



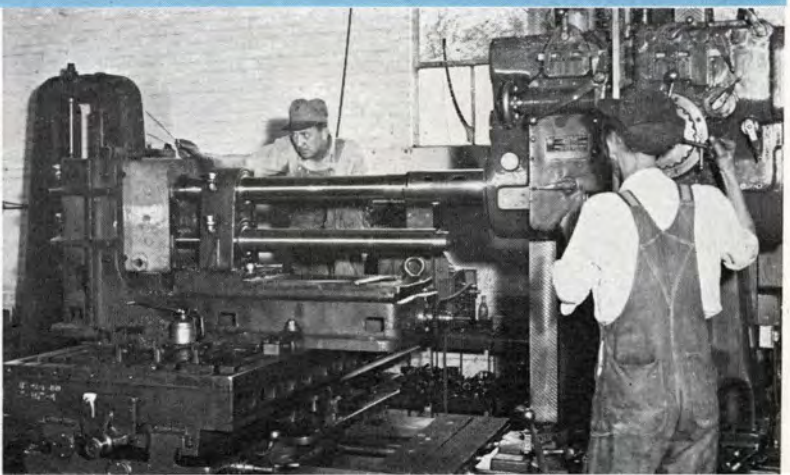
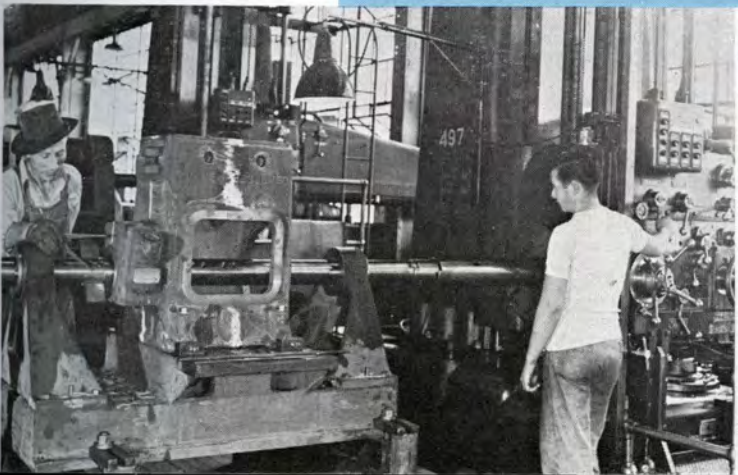
Left: A portion of the Test Block where all engines are thoroughly run in and tested several hours before shipment.



Right: A Typical Assembly Line of Lufkin GSD-H Engines.

Below: Boring GSC base on precision jigs insures accuracy and interchangeability.

Below: Boring the cylinder block. After boring, the blocks are honed to give accuracy and smoothness to cylinder walls.





Pictured here are prehistoric monsters from the La Brea petroleum pits of Los Angeles, and are housed in the Los Angeles museum.

Nature's Cure-All

By ROBERT WATSON

CRUDE oil, or petroleum, has been known to mankind since the stone age. Even before that, perhaps the first dinosaur steak was grilled by accident over a petroleum bed inadvertently fired by the sun shining through a tear-drop on the cheek of some love-sick female of forty, mourning her lover's departure with his club to capture two "twenties" to replace her.

Anyway, prehistoric man knew fire, and quickly realized that a grilled steak tasted infinitely better than a hunk of raw meat eaten straight "off the hoof."

Ancient priests made a god of those subterranean fires and used them to "scare the tar" out of their fellows and to enforce obedience and tribute. So powerful was this firegod supposed to be, and so dreaded did he become, that he ceased to be a god and became a devil, with hell all around him. Strange how few people are afraid of God; but the devil—well, that's another story!

Old Father Noah used pitch to patch the props and roof of his floating menagerie. The Phoenicians used petroleum to caulk their boats, and asphalt to cement decorations onto their statuary and pottery.

It was used in building the Tower of Babel and in making Babylonian roads for Babylonian charioteers to break records and their necks on.

Petroleum oil was burned as an illuminant in the Temple of Jupiter. "Naphtha," the same thing, was the fire used by the flame-throwing infidels against the crusaders in the twelfth century.

As "mountain balsam," this crude petroleum was used by early man for rheumatism and as a lubricant for squeaky cartwheels—again the same thing.

The Chinese used it. So did the Incas and the Aztecs. The North American Indians collected it in their blankets from seepages, and used it as medicine for internal and external combustion, and for pitching their canoes. By that time it had become "Seneca Oil."

No one discovered petroleum. Like Topsy, "it grewed."

THEN, once upon a time as the fairy tales go, there was a man in America who dug a well for salt water, so that he might evaporate the water and get the salt. But instead of salt water, he got black thick oil. And was he mad about it! He was a busy man and told the earth in no uncertain words, "You can't do this to me." But this fellow was a good thinker, so he "thunk" up the idea that Barnum thunk up after him, about "fooling some of the people some of the time." He bought a whole cargo of bottles, got some labels printed, and laid them on one side ready for use. Then he collected his petroleum oil and distilled it a bit until it wasn't quite so objectionable in smell and in looks. He bottled the product, sealing each bottle with a brand new cork. Now, a brand new cork is always irresistible.

"Nature's Remedy" he called his concoction, and he was showman enough to know that the world would believe him and pour his concoction down its collective throats if only he could pour the story first into the world's ears, loudly enough, for long enough.

These bottles looked simply grand set up on the shelves in rows. His fancy labels on them finished the trick.

"Kier's Petroleum or Rock Oil, celebrated for its wonderful curative powers. A Nature Remedy. Procured from a Well in Allegheny, Pa., 400 feet below the Earth's surface. Put up and sold by Samuel M. Kier, Pittsburgh, Pa."

And he had handbills printed too, for he was a poet as well as a master-salesman. The handbills were irresistible:

"The healthful balm, from Nature's secret spring,
The bloom of health, and life to man will bring,
As from her depths the magic fluid flows
To calm our sufferings and assuage our woes."

Samuel Kier invested in a few highly decorated horse-drawn caravans. He hired agents who could do a clog-dance on the side, play a banjo and sing

a coon song, as well as they could drive and spiel. He sent them out over the country to tell the rural rustics of Eastern America of this marvelous discovery, "Nature's Remedy," which would cure everything from ingrown toenails to senile-decay, and all for fifty cents a bottle.

Thus were born America's first "quack doctors," and thus was gasoline in the raw first introduced to the American public at large.

Samuel M. Kier did a roaring trade for quite a while, as testimonials showered in on him, many hailing him as a new kind of Angel Gabriel, some declaring they had been healed of blindness by a single bottle of his "Nature's Remedy." Others confessed to healings of corns and bunions, tumors, fevers, colds, constipation and ringworm.

Kier's remedy became the panacea for all ills that flesh and imagination are heirs to.

It is all very remarkable, for Samuel Kier's tarry compound had much natural resistance to breakdown in competing, as it did, with the tried and trusted, and much relished corn-whiskey then in vogue for all ailments. But men dearly love to be martyrs, and they took to Kier's Rock Oil as they took to the weekly bath and a new pair of tight boots.

BUT the day came when Kier's wasn't satisfied with his 300 percent profits, so he decided to dispense with his agents, and his caravans, and his song-and-dance turns, and sell his product through the village drug stores. But from that moment, the rural rustics turned their backs on "Nature's Remedy," for if they could not have a little entertainment along with it, they'd be gosh-danged if they'd

drink it at all. They'd go back to their corn whiskey and do their own singing and dancing.

And so the inventive Samuel Kier devised a lamp and an oil burner, and started to sell his Nature's Remedy as an illuminant, just as later on someone invented the automobile combustion engine and sold this original Nature's Remedy as gasoline, and they have been doing it ever since, with even greater success than Kier's quack doctors.

Down the ages, this black, smelly, oily ooze has been used as medicine, an illuminant, a cement, a rubbing and embalming fluid, a waterproof paint, a lubricant, a road-base, a linoleum base, an ink ingredient, a weapon of warfare, and a motive power. And the end is not yet.

Man has harnessed petroleum to more uses than he has with all the balance of Nature's Remedies combined.

Right: This is the first well drilled in the Mid-Continent Field that produced oil in commercial quantities. It was called the "Norman" and it was drilled near the city of Neodesha, Wilson County, Kansas.

Below: Never did Samuel M. Kier, who discovered oil when he drilled for a salt water well, ever dream that scenes such as these would dot the earth. This oilfield right on the shore-line is at Venice, Los Angeles.





THIS is the architect's drawing of the new \$800,000 Memorial Hospital to be built by the industries of Lufkin.

Memorial Hospital Foundations Are Laid

ON ARMISTICE Day, 1947, ground-breaking ceremonies were held in Lufkin for the 100-bed Memorial Hospital to serve the pine timber belt of East Texas. Construction on this \$800,000 modern hospital began immediately, and in January, the foundations were completed.

Sponsored by the industries of Lufkin including the Angelina and Neches River Railroad Co., Southland Paper Mills, Texas Foundries, Inc., East Texas Theatres, Inc., Angelina County Lumber Co., and Lufkin Foundry and Machine Co., this completely up-to-date structure will serve employees of the sponsoring companies, employees of other companies who take membership in the association, and other residents of the community.

The Board of Directors when first discussing the plans with Architects Samuel and William Wiener, instructed them to spare no expense in designing a building which would offer hospital care of the highest quality and completeness consistent with the size of the structure.

The property is located on a high rolling site at the edge of town, presenting an ideal location for a general hospital. Although readily accessible to all parts of the city, it is still far enough away

from the busiest sections to afford the quiet surroundings that are desirable.

The bedrooms of the hospital are to be located along the south and north sides of the south wing, providing ideal exposure avoiding the east and west sun. In the north wing on the second floor is located the surgery and birth section. The clinical and clerical sections on the first floor and the surgery, birth, and nursing section on the second floor are to be completely air-conditioned.

W. C. Trout, late president of Lufkin Foundry & Machine Co., was president of the Memorial Hospital corporation. Other officers are Col. C. C. Chambers, first vice-president; R. W. Wortham, Jr., second vice-president; S. W. Henderson, Jr., treasurer, and D. W. Thompson, secretary.

These, together with E. L. Kurth, A. E. Cudlipp, Walter Trout, J. Crittenden, W. L. McHale, W. D. Winston, Jr., W. S. Scott, J. O. Klein, Scott Sayers, and John S. Redditt, comprise the board of trustees, while Colonel Chambers and Kurth are the executive committee. The board of directors include Kurth, Col. Chambers, Wortham, Cudlipp, Thompson, and Trout.

This modern fireproof hospital marks another milestone in the progress of Lufkin and her industries.

TEXAS MID-CONTINENT OIL AND GAS MEETING



That must have been a good one between Lufkin's Moulton Harrison and Maston Nixon of Southern Minerals Corp.



Harry Brown of Brown Express Co., and D. Frame of Humble Oil & Refining Co., seem to have found something pleasing to the eye.



Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mecom, Houston, and Lufkin's Bill Miner in the background.



R. W. (Bob) Wire joins J. R. "Butch" Butler and Martin Miller of J. S. Abercrombie, Houston, to accommodate the photographer.



R. C. Kay, Amarillo, and Scott W. Myers, Beaumont, vouched for the cake and coffee.



Bryan Payne, Iowa-Payne Co., Tyler, Lois Coulon, entertainer, and Stuart Mossom, Magnolia Petroleum Co.



Walter W. Trout, Lufkin, and Claud B. Hamil, Houston.



Bill Miner, Lufkin's Houston representative, and E. C. Lawry of Shell Oil Co.



J. A. Neath, Humble; R. S. McFarland, Seaboard; and Al Buchanan, San Antonio.



Andrew W. Howsley presents the retiring president, Fred W. Shield, with a gift at the annual banquet.



A. P. I. COASTAL CHAPTER MEETING VENTURA, CALIFORNIA



Just finishing with their coffee and doughnuts are Bob Kettenburg, Division Mechanical Engineer of Shell Oil Co., and Al McConville, Lufkin representative.



"Dutch" Schmieder, Division Manager, and George Elliott, Well Puller, of Shell Oil Co., Ventura, Calif.



The cameraman got two shy smiles from Howard Rogers, Engineer, Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Co., and Ben Turner, Petroleum Engineer, Lloyd Corp., Ventura.



Having a good time are Bob Jackson, Superintendent, and Pat Patton, Development Engineer, of the Santa Paula Division of The Texas Company.



Left to right: Norman Slick, Prod. Engineer, Tidewater Associated Oil Co., Ventura; Vic Fawcett, Lufkin's representative, Los Angeles Office; Boyne Grainger, Prod. Engineer, Tidewater Associated; and Lufkin's Bob Spaulding, "Supt. of Service."



At the meeting, Lufkin's Al McConville, Los Angeles Office, takes to the podium to deliver paper on "Pumping Problems Below 8000' with Conventional Geared Pumping Units."



Only the crumbs are left from the doughnuts after "Pop" Norris, Coast Division Supt., and Homer McQuillan, Prod. Engineer, of Richfield Oil Corp., Ventura, are finished eating.

Let's Laugh

Two men were working on the White House lawn, each supplied with a small push cart upon which was a garbage can. They walked about picking up papers with a long spear. One spied a piece of toilet paper and started to spear it, when suddenly a gust of wind came up and blew the paper into the White House through an open window.

The man became frantic and rushed into the building. He returned shortly after and said: "I was too late. He had already signed it."

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It was their first date and they were both thinking of the same thing. She called it mental telepathy. He called it beginner's luck.

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Someone shipped two rabbits to the East by motor transportation. The crate arrived with two rabbits. That's fast transportation!

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Sam: "I thought you said your girl's legs were without equal."

Mike: "No, I said they were without parallel."

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Three little pigs lined up before the bar in a roadside tavern. "Make mine an Old Fashioned," grunted the first porker. "And mine a Tom Collins," squealed the second. "Gimmie five quarts of beer," demanded the third.

"You don't want five quarts!" protested the bartender as he dropped his towel to stare at the imperious one. "You couldn't possibly drink all that beer!"

"It's plain you don't know who I am", indignantly retorted the third pig, thumping himself where his chest ought to have been: "I'm the little pig who went wee, wee, wee, all the way home."

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Chaplain: "My man, I will allow you five minutes of grace before the electrocution."

Condemned Man: "Fine, bring her in."

She (coily): "You bad boy, don't try to kiss me again!"

He: "I won't. I'm just trying to find out who has the bourbon at this party."

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Susie (just home from a date): "Hot dog! That fellow Johnny had everything!"

Jane: "What do you mean, he had everything?"

Susie: "He must have had everything; he didn't ask me for anything."

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Excerpts from the diary of a female voyager:

Monday: "Was flattered to be placed at the captain's table."

Tuesday: "Spent the morning on the bridge. The captain seems to like me."

Wednesday: "The captain's proposals are unbecoming to an officer and a gentleman."

Thursday: "The captain threatens to sink the ship if I do not agree to his proposals."

Friday: "I have saved 600 lives!"

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Jim: "Woman's greatest attraction is her hair."

Bob: "I say it's her eyes."

Joe: "It is unquestionably her teeth."

Bill: "What the hell's the use in all of us sitting here lying to each other?"

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"Whassa matter, Flo?"

"Gawd, Mae! Never go out with a chiropractor!"

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"Do you know when the saying, 'Come across,' originated?"

Sure . . . right after the invention of twin beds."

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Mandy went into the bank and digging down into her ample bosom came up with \$35.00 to deposit.

"Why, Mandy," said the Teller, "have you been hoarding?"

"No' sah," replied Mandy, "Ah made this money takin' in washing!"

An English hostess, when serving wine, remarked to one gentleman: "I should not be offering you wine. You are the head of the Temperance League."

"Oh, no," he replied, "I am the head of the Vice League."

"Well," said she, "I knew there was something I should not offer you."

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"I hear," he said hopefully, "that you have a propensity for petting."

"A dirty lie!" she cried. "All I have is a davenport."

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The lowly cub reporter who was assigned to cover the deadly class plays of the high school came in for his share of literary fame when the following turned up in his write-up: "The auditorium was filled with expectant mothers, eagerly awaiting the appearance of their offspring."

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"Mother, are there any skyscrapers in heaven?"

"No, son, engineers build skyscrapers."

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Johnny at Poultry Show: "Let's stay until they let the animals out."

Mother: "They don't let them out, Johnny."

Johnny: "Yes, Mother; last night Dad told Uncle Bill that they would wait after the show and pick up a couple of chickens."

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Sultan: "Bring me a girl."

Servant: "Very good, sir."

Sultan: "Not necessarily."

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Two oilmen introduced themselves to two attractive young girls in a hotel lobby: "We're the Chesterfield boys. We're mild, but we satisfy."

Attractive young girls: "We're the Piggly Wiggly girls. We have everything, but we don't deliver!"

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"Mother," queried the little tot, "do fairy tales always begin with 'Once Upon a Time'?"

"No, dear," replied his mother. "They sometimes begin with 'My love, I will be detained at the office tonight'."

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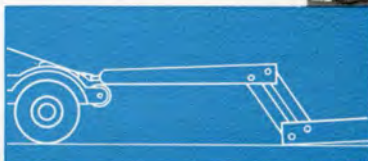
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