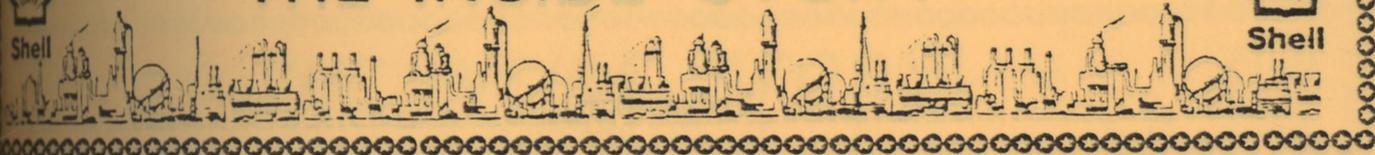




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RUMORS-RUMORS

It's not unusual when such a high-interest, dynamic situation such as contract negotiation is taking place that a number of rumors start flying:

- "So and so is settling ... "
- "So and so isn't settling ... "
- "They'll give their response tonight ... "
- "There's another offer in the offing ... "
- Etc. Etc. Etc.

We've heard a few of those absolutely-lead-pipe-cinch-from-the-horse's-mouth predictions the last few days, and so, no doubt, have you. We've checked with those in Shell most directly involved. As we go to press, here is the real situation:

The offer previously reported to you was extended Friday, February 22, by Shell to the represented employees at Deer Park, Norco (Refinery), Wood River, California-Statewide, and Anacortes. In each case, local union representatives indicated that the offer would be studied. Since last Friday, similar offers have been extended by a number of other major companies, including Amoco, Texaco, Gulf and Union.

OCAW headquarters in Denver announced they wanted to review these various offers. The OCAW Oil Bargaining Policy Committee is scheduled to meet in the Mile-High City on Wednesday, February 27th. It's not expected that any public pronouncements would be forthcoming from OCAW until late Wednesday, or perhaps Thursday. No local meetings have been scheduled as yet.

CROSS WITH CARE

It warrants a reminder: pickets are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible manner ... and so are those crossing the picket line. Drivers should always be cautious, patient and deliberate. Approach the line slowly and carefully. STOP, even if the way seems clear. If/when it's clear, proceed through slowly and carefully. If a picket blocks your path, wait until it's clear to move slowly and carefully through. Watch for help from the guards. There will be no heroes or smart-guys bent on beating this system ... please!

LOCKED OUT

At least one befuddled office worker became temporarily locked out of his Refinery Administration Building office Monday when co-workers forgot to tell him the locks were being changed for part of the offices on the first floor. How was he to know he couldn't get back in once he had closed his door? But the lockout lasted only a few minutes since he soon joined other workers in securing a new key from Colleen Gordy in Room 150 of the Refinery Administration Building. The locks were changed as part of an on-going routine effort at the DPMC to tighten security and limit the number of keys floating around.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

Five-foot cast-iron, white bathtub. \$25. Call 333-2188.

FOUND

In the Refinery Cafeteria. A paper sack containing a hardback book and eyeglasses. Call Les Cole on 6301, describe, and claim.

WINNING

Allan Pyle of Project Engineering has become eligible to join the ranks of the Red Brigade by having Friday's lucky badge number of 473. As shown by Red. D. Worker, today's lucky number is 511.

WORK SAFELY

WATCH
YOUR
STEP —
CLEAN
UP
SPILLS

