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HOUSTON REFINERY

"It Strikes Us This Way"

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TO ALL STAFF EMPLOYEES

Negotiations

MEETINGS HELD THRU WEEKEND; CONTINUE TODAY

As most of you read from the daily newspapers, meetings of Company and Union representatives with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services were held Saturday and Sunday in Houston, and are continuing today. Meetings are on a "reduced Committee basis" and include John C. Quilty, Vice President, Shell Oil Company, O. A. Knight, President, O.C.A.W., and William E. Simkin, Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services. It was agreed at the outset of the meetings that all news releases would be made through the Houston office of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services, so check local news media and 6-111 for the latest.

Operations

PLATFORMER 1 COMES UP IN AROMATICS; WORK CONTINUES ON DUBBS 5 AND 6

Welcomed up this weekend: Platformer 1 in Aromatics...and it's running smoothly. Work continues on Dubbs 5 and 6...and the same holds true on boiler No. 10, which came down this weekend.

THAT flower patch in the alky plant area came in handy last week. The fellers down that way picked a few of the more colorful ones to make a wreath to go on the control house of the high pressure absorber...on account of the high pressure absorber was finally laid to rest. The thermal gas recovery system has been satisfactorily incorporated into the CC gas recovery system with revisions essentially complete except for some work that is still to be done in Aromatics and Cat. Cracking. It has been a hard, involved job and the boss was seen last week passing out bouquets to the employees who had a part in the project...and we'll bet the bouquets also came from the flower patch.

Vacationland U.S.A. Contest

CONTEST UNDERWAY: SEND THOSE CARDS IN

Leaving on vacation soon? If so, remember the contest just started for all staff employees...and remember your friends back at the Houston Refinery. You can do both by sending us a picture postcard from your vacation spot. You'll be letting your friends know what you are doing, where you are, and make yourself eligible to win prizes in our contest. Each person who sends us a card will have his name placed in a hopper. From this hopper, names will be drawn periodically throughout the summer with the winners receiving such items as Shell products (motor oil, polishes and waxes, etc.) and tickets to Colt .45 baseball games. There'll be a large bulletin board located in the Hash House and on the board will be placed the picture cards received from the employees. So help us keep a colorful vacationland board and make yourself eligible for prizes. The first drawing will be June 28 so those of you going on vacation between now and then - remember and send us a card. Mail it to SHELLETTER Editor, Shell Oil Company, P. O. Box 100, Deer Park, Texas

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Safety

MYSTERY MAN FINDS FIVE MORE WINNERS

The mystery man was back in the business of finding new silver dollar safety winners this past week and came in with the following list of "know your slogan" folks: Alva Baker, Ed Patterson, John Bowley, Sylvia Fuglaar, and L. L. Hay.

HEADING up our safety program the next couple of months will be T. T. McClellan and his Distilling Department, taking over from Floyd Good and the Gas Department. This is part of the over-all safety program introduced recently by Leonard Wilson, wherein different departments in the Refinery will head up projects to keep this vital subject before us. Right now Mac and his boys are thinking up some good ways to do just that...so watch for the results.

Staff Employees Evening Meeting Canceled

NO STAFF EMPLOYEES MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 11

The staff employees meeting scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, June 11, has been canceled in view of the probability that Leonard Wilson and Jack Kelbaugh will be involved in negotiations. This was to have been the third in the series of meetings held during the past month to bring employees up to date on the news and views of the day. A new meeting date will be selected as soon as possible for those employees unable to attend either of the first two meetings.

Welcome Aboard

NEW EMPLOYEES JOIN REFINERY FAMILY

The welcome mat goes out today to four new employees...

Gene McSwain, has joined the Research Laboratory as a Jr. Lab Assistant. Gene hails from Center, Texas, and attends the University of Houston.

Mike Horvath, a Jr. Lab Assistant in the Research Laboratory attended Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia, and McNeese State College at Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Wendel Griffin, Jr. Lab Assistant in the Research Laboratory, attended Lee College in Baytown, and makes Baytown his home.

Bob Zeitzmann, Technologist and assigned to Lube Oils Department, born in New Haven, Missouri, and a graduate of the Missouri School of Mines with a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering.

ODDS & ENDS

WEDDING BELLS: ...Rang out this week in the Anita Essary family. Anita's daughter, Jane, was married Friday night (June 7) to Douglas Cox. The wedding was held in the Sunset Methodist Church in Pasadena. The groom is a student at Trinity University in San Antonio, where the couple will make their home this fall.

BASEBALL QUEEN: Beth Lambin, 12-year old daughter of the Refinery's L. J. Lambin, was named queen of the Deer Park Little League this past week. Beth was the representative of the Indians, and was escorted in the crowing of the queen ceremonies at Deer Park's Sadler Memorial Field Friday night by Dave Boykin, son of another Shell employee - Bill Boykin.

FOUND: A gold compact...in the compressor room at the phenol unit. Owner should contact Bert Abendroth at Ext. 365.

BIRTHDAY BELLES & BEAUS -

June 10: Jimmy Carter, Lee Hill, Paul Peurifoy

June 11: Dick Longman

June 12: Charlie Battestin, Earl Horridge, George Nuss

PILLBOX PALAVER: Hospitalized...at Pasadena-Bayshore...Ples Culbreth. Will have more information Thursday. Back to work today are Joe Spiller and Tom Reed.