



Shellegram

Deer Park Manufacturing Complex



DPMC visited

Officials from the Houston consulate of the People's Republic of China visited the DPMC last week along with representatives of Pullman Kellogg, Shell-International Chemical Sales, Shell-E&P Region and Shell-International Affairs.

Following a tour of the Houston Ship Channel sponsored by Pullman Kellogg, the group was shown around the Complex by Jim Braus, DPMC general manager. The highlight of the DPMC tour was a visit to the control room of OP-III, which was designed by Pullman Kellogg.

Both Shell and Pullman Kellogg have emerging business interests in the People's Republic of China.

Shown with Jim Braus, DPMC general manager, (second from left, bottom row) are Houston-based diplomats from the People's Republic of China. Seated are Zhang Zongxu, consul; Wu Xiaoda, consul general; and Mrs. Wu. Standing are Mrs. Zhang and Yang Xuegian, vice-consul.

We didn't say it...

The San Diego Union did

The following editorial, reprinted in its entirety, appeared in the Jan. 28 issue of The San Diego Union.

"When the White House hails the windfall tax on oil as one of the great achievements of Jimmy Carter's presidency, it sounds like one of the also-rans in New Hampshire explaining how you can win even when you finish in fourth or fifth place. Congress is passing the windfall tax, all right, but as part of the President's energy program it's a bust.

Almost a year ago Mr. Carter explained why he wanted to put a special tax on the additional earnings which oil companies will realize when prices of domestically produced oil are decontrolled. "The tax money," he said, "will go into an Energy Security Fund, and will be used to protect low income families from energy price increases, to build a more efficient mass transportation system, and to put American

genius to work solving our long-range energy problems."

After a pitch like that, and with oil profits making headlines, it did little good for oil companies to point out that the net effect of the windfall tax would be to hold back domestic oil production. Since getting more oil out of the ground here at home is imperative for reducing our ruinous dependence on imported oil, the windfall tax was a doubtful strategy to begin with.

And it was downhill all the way. The \$277 billion tax bill that emerged from a House-Senate conference last week—a bill Mr. Carter has indicated he will sign—puts nothing into an Energy Security Fund or any other trust fund.

It does not guarantee that a single dollar of this money coming in over the next 10 years will be used for an energy-related purpose. The most Congress would do was to make non-binding

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Old Timers Association to meet

The Roxana-Shell Old Timers Association will hold its 22nd anniversary celebration at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 18, at the Marriott Hotel at 2100 South Braeswood Blvd. near the Astrodome.

Reservations, which should be accompanied by \$8 for each person attending, should be mailed to R.M.

Horrocks, secretary-treasurer of the association, 10118 Sugar Hill, Houston, 77042, by Tuesday, April 15.

All retirees of Roxana or Shell are urged to attend with their wives and husbands.

For more information, call Horrocks at 782-6912; Robert Hord, 723-6349; or Iris Harmon, 665-8719.



Badgett receives certificate

Dick Nash, left, process manager, Utilities South, presents a National Safety Council certificate to Roy Badgett of Utilities South. Badgett earned the certificate by completing the NSC home study course, "Supervising for Safety." He was the first hourly relief foreman in Complex Utilities to complete the course.

Shell stock news

Split suggested

Shell Oil Company directors recommended on March 27 a two-for-one split of the company's common stock.

Shareholders will be asked at the company's annual meeting on April 24, 1980, to approve an amendment of Shell's certificate of incorporation to increase to 400 million from 250 million the number of common shares the company is authorized to issue and to change each presently authorized share into two shares. Par value would remain at \$1 per share.

If the split is approved, it is expected to become effective June 6. Shareholders would retain their present stock certificates and it is anticipated certificates for additional shares would be mailed on or before June 16.

Stock prices vary

The average semi-monthly prices of Shell common stock purchased for the Shell Stock Fund for the last two

periods are Jan. 16-31, \$63.204, and Feb. 1-15, \$67.538.

The comparative average prices of common stock purchased for the Shell Employee Stock Ownership Fund during the same periods are Jan. 66-31, \$62.292, and Feb. 1-15, \$68.080.

This difference in average prices resulted from the different volume of Shell common stock being purchased by the two funds.

Currently, the Shell Stock Fund purchases \$2-3 million of stock semi-monthly while SESOF purchases only about \$250,000 of stock during the same period. The Shell Stock Fund will buy shares at varying prices during each trading day whereas the SESOF purchases, being smaller in dollar value, are usually completed in a single trading day and possibly in a single transaction.

It is expected that differences in the semi-monthly average price of Shell common stock for the two funds will continue.

Old timer remembers early days in DP

Editor's Note: Author Barbara Wells who wrote "Shell at Deer Park: The Story of the First Fifty Years," has copies of the work to many Deer Park area old timers who provide recollections for the book. The following excerpts are from a thank you letter received by Ms. Wells from one of those who helped make the book a success—Edwin Rice Brown of Houston, whose father once grazed cattle where the DPMC is now located.

"Dear Barbara:

Again my thanks for a copy of the Shell Refinery's history of Deer Park bringing back many fond memories. While I was born on Calhoun County across from the present location of the Exxon Building, I moved to Deer Park when I was a little past two years old and life on the ranch was home until hoof-and-mouth disease prompted the State to kill my father's bred-up Brahman herd. His health began to fail and for several years we spent winters in Houston and summers back at the ranch. (Think of heating that house with wood stoves and no help!) Finally there was no reason to go back any more but to me it was always home.

When I graduated from VMI, (1918) my class ring was and still is engraved "Deer Park, Texas", and on graduation as a Second Lieutenant, U.S. Field Artillery (horse drawn!!) the U.S. Army addressed my mail as "Commander of the Deer Park Reserve" a long way for the kid that was paid 10 cents a winter school day for starting the pot-bellied stove and ringing the bell. The pay was from my father and was the unofficial school superintendent and carefully selected the teacher because she had to live at the house just across the road from the "new schoolhouse."

Sometimes I dream about Deer Park and I move about that old house as clearly as I did over fifty years ago. That little one room schoolhouse seems more real than the fine schools of present Deer Park but I root for Deer Park school teams as I once did for Andy-over recess games with a stuffed sock or dried cow plops.

Best wishes
Ed Brown"

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recommendations for future distribution of the revenue.

Those recommendations show less concern with energy than with the political goodies that such a tax windfall can buy. Sixty percent of the revenue would be used to cut individual and corporate income taxes. Twenty-five percent would go to low income families to subsidize their fuel bills. That leaves 15 percent for mass transit or other programs to save energy or develop alternatives to oil.

So much for Carter's achievement, which leaves energy in the lurch and has the main effect of supplying the administration and Congress with handy slush funds to finance future tax cuts or new spending programs. How many victories like this can Mr. Carter afford before his record on energy is as hard to defend as his record on inflation?"

Guidelines for submitting ads

In response to numerous questions, here's the rules for submitting ads for free publication in the Shellegram.

Ads are published for Complex employees, pensioners and their families only. Advertisers must be owners of the property mentioned and not agents or dealers.

All ads must contain the item, advertiser's name and home telephone number. It is up to the advertiser to decide what other information is included in the ad—but we would appreciate it if the ads are kept brief.

Forms are available at the receptionists' desks at the administration buildings at both DPMC North and DPMC South and the Shellegram Office, Room 151, DPMC North Administration Building. However, ads don't have to be submitted on the forms to be published.

To be placed in the Shellegram on Thursday, ads must be received by Monday.

Mail or bring ads to the Shellegram Office. For more information, call Les Cole, Shellegram editor, at 6301.

**Get Results In
The Shellegram
Classifieds.**



Safe hours recognized

This sign was recently erected at DPMC South to mark the million safe hours accumulated there from Nov. 24, 1979, to March 24, 1980. DPMC South personnel also have been given their choice of safety prizes in honor of the event—such as a departmental dinner for two, a two-gallon safety gasoline can, a first aid kit, a five-pound fire extinguisher and a smoke alarm.



SFCU move planned

The Shell Federal Credit Union plans to move into its new building pictured here at 301 East Thirteenth in Deer Park on May 1, with an open-house for SFCU members scheduled for May 31. Boasting more than 12,000 square feet, the facility will offer drive-in windows and safety deposit boxes as new services.

Consider installing fluorescent lighting

If you're installing new lighting, choose fluorescent lighting if possible because it's more efficient than in-

candescent lighting. Your lights will be brighter if bulbs and shades are clean.

Classifieds

FOR SALE

1973 Chevy pickup. Super half-ton. Camper, new tires, reserve tank. Needs minor repairs. \$1,050. Call 422-5244.

1972 Ford Ranchero. 302 V-8. Power, air, automatic transmission. AM-FM tape. \$1,100. Call 946-1366.

1979 Trans-Am. T-top, loaded, dark blue, tan interior. 7,000 miles. Sharp. Call 479-1450 or 476-0707.

1968 Buick four-door Special station wagon. Good condition. \$450. Crushed marble. \$30. Men's three-speed bicycle. \$40. Call 472-5988.

1973 American Traveler motor home. Nice. \$4,000. Gilson garden tractor. 16 HP. 42-inch belly mower, plow, disc and dump cart. \$1,500. Small house on one acre. Close to school, store and church in Sebastopol, Tex., five minutes from Lake Livingston and about eight miles from Westwood Shores in Trinity, Tex. \$16,500. Call 479-6649 after 4:15 p.m.

Fiberglass boat. 15 and a half-foot. With trailer and 40 HP Mercury outboard. \$895 or better offer. Call 476-0769.

Brand new 4 HP Hahn Heavy duty gear drive roto tiller. \$225. Call 946-6399. Contemporary velvet sofa. Burnt orange, brown and off-white. Burnt orange velvet arm chair. Square chrome end table. Double glass, one smoked. 19x24 picture in gold frame. "House of Pere Lacroix" by Cezanne. All top condition. Call 930-0602.

Beautiful Herculon tweed sofa and chair combo. Immaculate. \$175. Call 482-5278.

New queen-size mattress. \$75. Westinghouse mobile window air conditioner. 110 volt. 10,000 BTU. \$100. AKC registered Afghan hounds. Two females, two and a half years old. Good with children. \$100 each. Call 475-0455.

Air conditioners. Sears 110 unit, one year old, 14,000 BTU. \$350. Citation 220 unit. One and a half years old. 18,000 BTU. \$300. Both in excellent condition. Call 427-4413.

Electric counter-top range installed in yellow formica-covered counter top. Will sell together or separately. Good condition. Call 422-9604.

FOR RENT

Brand new 3-2-2 house. Central air and heat. Carpet. \$425 month. South Houston area. Call 946-6399.

WANTED

Persons interested in learning polka dancing. Need 30 polka students to set up SCORA-sponsored dance class. Call Glenn Ogden at 946-7946.



Lorenz leaves for Norco

Brenda Lorenz of Purchasing, second from the right, was the guest of honor at a DPMC party in March as her friends showed up to mark both a happy occasion—Brenda got married last month—and a sad one—she transferred to Norco. Pictured with Brenda, who is holding a farewell scroll presented to her at the party, is Calvin Trammel, left, Charlotte Rice and Pat Denman, right.



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