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HOUSTON REFINERY

"It Strikes Us This Way"

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TO ALL STAFF EMPLOYEES

NEGOTIATIONS

Nothing new to report on the negotiatin' front....no meetings are planned at this time. As most of you know, tomorrow, March 7, at 9:30 AM, a Federal District Court in Houston will open a hearing to decide the legality of the subpoenas issued to Leonard Wilson and Jim Hyde just prior to the NLRB hearing of February 12.

OPERATIONS

When you're runnin' along at our present clip, you chalk up the millions in a hurry... even lose count of 'em once in a while. But one big gleaming barrel churned through last night that no one could have possibly "mistook" for just an ordinary barrel of crude. It was our 25th million barrel, and even though it didn't have a silver ribbon tied around its neck....it was "anniversary time" for a brief moment.... Looking around the Refinery at other things: A PETRECO treater has been placed in service in the Distilling Department. It'll treat the output of the solutizer to remove any residual solutizer solution....In the Gas Department, the alky neutralizer feed preheater was retubed yesterday and returned to service. Today, the alky depropanizer is down, with the tops condenser bundle being taken out for retubing.

SAFETY

That man under the white hat is talkin' again....and here's Louie's lament: "You know....in a way...taxes and injuries have a lot in common...'cause both of 'em affect us individually. No matter how a tax gets started - either by the people we elect to run the government or by voting on the issues ourselves - when it's all said and done we pay the taxes. The same applies to safety. We all have a say in recommending safety measures. We have a free will to act safely and maintain safe working conditions. Equipment in need of repair just doesn't 'get that way'. It comes about from our use - and neglect. It's entirely our own choosing if we don't use protective equipment or observe safe work practices. When we allow these conditions to exist, we pay the penalty of the risk or experience of an injury to ourselves. Remember bad habits and bad thinking cause bad accidents."

WELCOME BACK

To....HARRY MAIGNAUD, who returns today after an extended illness. For a while Harry will be holding down a post in the Treasury Department.

SAFETY SLOGAN TIME

And now is the time to mark down that safety slogan in your safety book of knowledge for future reference....cause our Mystery Man is getting itchy feet again. That slogan:

ACCIDENTS END WHEN SAFETY BEGINS

HASH HOUSE

The folks in the Hash House have a problem - preparing the proper lunches during the Lenten Season...and they're asking your help. Beginning tomorrow, Thursday, each operating unit should call in any special orders to the Hash House (ext. 216) by 9 AM for the noon meal and 3:30 PM for the evening meal. This system will be in effect for the duration of the Lenten Season.

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