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HOUSTON REFINERY

"It Strikes Us This Way"

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TO ALL STAFF EMPLOYEES

Negotiations

We understand that the TV, radio, and newspapers were busy covering various Shell doings downtown today - so watch Channels 2 and 11 - read your paper - listen to the newscasts.

Operations

BOILER 21 UP

The Boss's notes say that...boiler 21 is back up in Utilities... Turnaround work continues in the Aromatics Department and in Thermal Cracking on Dubbs 5 and 6.

Vacationland U.S.A. Contest

NEW CONTEST TO BEGIN; PRIZES OFFERED

Now that we are in full swing on vacations, let's have a contest. Here's how it'll work: Employees who are away on vacations will send us a picture postcard from their vacation site. On the postcard tell us what you've seen, some comments about the trip or any other little item you feel might be of interest to your friends back at the Refinery. Your postcard will be placed on a large bulletin board in the Hash House titled "Vacationland U.S.A." By sending in your vacation card, you also get your name in the "pot" for possible prizes. Each person who sends us a card will have his name placed in a vacation prize hopper. Names will be drawn from the hopper throughout the summer with the winners receiving such items as Shell consumer products and baseball tickets. And here's an added feature about the contest. Once your name is in the hopper, it stays in throughout the contest. That means you're eligible for prizes at every drawing. The vacation contest starts right away, so if you're going on vacation next week, that's the time for you to start. Remember to send your cards to us, we'll enter your name in the contest and place your card on the "Vacationland U.S.A." bulletin board. Also, some of the more interesting comments we'll record here in the pages of the SHELLETTER. Here's the address for your cards: SHELLETTER Editor, Shell Oil Company, P. O. Box 100, Deer Park, Texas.

Nurses Hold Offices

HORTENSE HINES, LAURA PERRY ACTIVE IN T.A.I.N.

Hortense Hines and Laura Perry, two of our ladies in white, have been named to offices in the Texas Association of Industrial Nurses. Hortense was recently re-elected to serve as the T.A.I.N.'s Recording Secretary for 1963-64. Laura was appointed to serve as Chairman of the Association's Legislative Committee for the coming year. Both nurses have been active in the Association for many years.

Staff Employees Evening Meeting

SECOND MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT; LAST OF SERIES SCHEDULED TUESDAY, JUNE 11

Upwards of 125 staff employees met last night in the Hash House for the second in the series of three evening meetings. Passing along the news and views of the day were Jack Kelbaugh, who discussed the local labor picture as

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well as the status of the N.L.R.B. hearing; Harry Walker, who reviewed operations at the Houston Refinery since the outset of the strike as well as outlined future operating and construction plans; and Leonard Wilson who discussed the over-all picture, past and future, here at Houston. Following the meeting a buffet type dinner featuring strip sirloin steaks was served to all present.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, June 11, and will follow the same format as the one last night. The 1962 World Series Highlights movie will be shown at 3:30 p.m. for those employees on shift with "time to kill" before the general meeting gets underway. At 4:30 the meeting starts, and at 5:30 dinner will be served. This third meeting will be for those employees working schedules 3 and 6, Engineering Field employees, Engineering Service employees, Administration and department managers, as well as anyone unable to attend either of the first two meetings.

From Other Shell Locations

PLASTIC OIL CANS TESTED

Some 24,000 one-quart plastic oil cans were successfully test-marketed by Shell Oil Company in Baltimore and Boston Marketing Divisions during the winter months. The polyolefin cans, lighter in weight than conventional containers, were developed by Shell Chemical Company.

Made from a petroleum-based product, these cans neither dent nor rust and are easily disposable. They are less subject to leakage than existing containers and are expected to be competitive in cost with them.

Further testing is being conducted to determine how the plastic cans handle in warehouses and at other distribution points.

ODDS & ENDS

Lost...by Bill Davis...a wrist watch with a black leather band, yellow gold Bulova, black dial, with Masonic emblem on it. Bill thinks he may have lost it in the Main Gate washroom last Monday night (June 3).

FOUND: A wrist watch in the Shops washroom (but it doesn't fit Bill's description). If it is yours, call George Delaney at Ext. 626.

PILLBOX PALAVER

Back to work after a bout with the mumps...B. O. Bishop. Hospitalized today for surgery - Tom Reed - in Houston's Memorial Baptist and he's "doin' fine". Still on the mend: Ray Diamond, J. H. Spiller, Bob Woods.

BIRTHDAY BELLES & BEAUS -

June 8 - Benny Peal, Ken Train

June 9 - Mike Horvath

SERVICE SYMBOLS -

15 Years - B. O. Bishop (June 7)

10 Years - Homer Smith (June 8)

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