

May 2nd, 1942.

Mr. Harry Fuhs
Seattle, Wash.

Weekly Letter-May 2nd, 1942. By: John S. Cole.

Dear Harry:

Following is a report of my activities for the week ending May 2nd, 1942.

Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, Jasper, Wyo.

I was present at this refinery this week to observe the dismantling of Tanks Nos. 97 and 98 which were recently cleaned for this purpose. The work proceeded without incident and both tanks were completely dismantled and the sheets stacked in piles. Special attention was paid to determine whether or not there was any excessive amount of dust liberated during the busting of the rivets, and to determine whether or not any material was loose in the overlap of the plates.

I could determine no evidence of dust at any time and the overlap of the plates was perfectly clean.

I also delivered a copy of the new API Tankcleaning Procedure to Mr. Cotton, Supt. of this refinery and he requested that Mr. Osborn, Safety Director and myself hold a Safety Meeting for the Foremen of this refinery and discuss this paper in detail.

A meeting was held and the following were present:

Boyd Osborn, Safety Director
Dick Howlands, Asst. Master Mechanic
Ray Conkling, Asst. Supt.
Phil Ryan, Refinery Foreman
John Arbuckle, Construction Foreman

It was decided after the meeting that all personnel of this refinery connected in any way with tankcleaning should read the Safety Dept. copy of this Bulletin and initial same. All those present advised that the subjects discussed at the meeting would be discussed further with all tankcleaning personnel at future departmental meetings.

Mr. Osborn also advised that he was going to write Mr. Smith, of their Chicago Office, stating that this meeting had been held. I believe that Mr. Smith is Safety Supervisor for the entire Indiana Company.

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The Texas Co., Casper, Wyo.

This refinery was contacted for the purpose of making a regular quarterly inspection of their 3250 CC installation and same has been rendered in the regular manner.

It was brought to my attention that the No. 3 valve could not be operated without the use of a wrench. In view of this I recommended to the management that a new valve stem replacement be ordered. Mr. Seall, Asst. Supt. stated that he would order same immediately and upon receipt of same would advise me so that replacement could be made.

I also learned that Mr. Moyes, Operating Foreman had just returned from their Calpet (Wyo.) Refinery and this refinery would go in operation on the first of May, having been shut down all winter. I am still waiting word from Mr. Steffens, Supt. of their Craig, Colo refinery regarding transshipment of the 1000 of fluid from that point to Calpet.

I also learned that the recent floods in Colorado had made it impossible to ship any products from the Craig Refinery and all points in Colorado are at present being handled by the Jasper Refinery. This was quite satisfactory to the Jasper refinery as their tankage was practically full and they were almost faced with a shutdown due to the inability of shipping out their finished products.

Continental Oil Co., Glenrock, Wyo.

This refinery was contacted for the purpose of making a regular quarterly inspection of their 4250 CC installation as well as an Authority Man Contact. Both of these reports have been rendered in the regular manner.

I might mention that all work at this refinery is going at fever heat trying to get everything in readiness for the expected visit of Ben Moran, sometime between May 15th and 20th.

100 Octane Aviation Plant for Wyoming

My contacts at the major refineries regarding this proposed plant disclosed nothing further than that I.O. Indiana, Texas, Socony Vacuum and Continental had a joint meeting in Chicago, Ill. regarding this on April 18th. It is my understanding that a plant will be built in Casper with all of the above refiners furnishing the necessary products or else one will be built in Cheyenne, Wyo. (Frontier Ref.) and they will receive products from the above mentioned refiners. As soon as anything definite is learned regarding this plant I will advise, so that we can take steps towards getting the necessary blending plant equipment.

Wyoming Routine Samples

In view of the fact that Fitz Bridges, Field Representative for this territory was in Detroit, the regular routine samples for Wyoming were picked up and forwarded to our Kansas City Laboratory.

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Mining Plant Inspections

Texas Co., Casper, Wyo. 2250 BC
Continental Oil Co., Glenrock, Wyo. 4250 BC.

My records indicate that all inspections due have now been rendered with the exception of Texas Co. at Calpet, Wyo. This refinery has been shut down all winter and at present I am awaiting word regarding the transshipment of 10 BC of fluid from Texas-Craig Colo. to this point and at the time this is made an inspection will be made of their MSD Plant.

Authority and Notification Man Contacts

Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, Messrs Cotton and Conkling, Casper, Wyo.
Texas Co. Messrs Wilking and Teall, Casper, Wyo.
Continental Oil Co. Messrs Ramsay and Minnaird, Glenrock, Wyo. (Report)

My records indicate that all Contacts/ Reports that are due have now been rendered. I have only two more to make for the first half of 1942. Mr. Rankin-Frontier Rfg. Cheyenne, Wyo. is not due until May and this will be made and rendered next week. Mr. Greenwood-Texas Co., Calpet, Wyo. is due in June and this will be made and rendered at the time of the transshipment of fluid from their Craig Colo Rfg. to this point.

Very truly yours,

John S. Cole.