



SHELL Chemical officials, who met with county newspaper representatives Sunday at St. Helens to release word of company plans for the Deer Island plant site were, from left: Bud DeLong, James Hyde, general manager of ammonia division, and Ken Field. James Walter, not pictured, public relations representative for company, completed group of Shell men.

## Talks to Tell of Six Months Spent on Farms in Philippines



SUSAN AMUNDSEN

"From the 'Pearl of the Orient,' Manila, I send greetings as an International Farm Youth Exchange

'IFYE'. I have spent six months living in the homes of five different rural host families in the Philippines," says Susan Marie Amundsen.

Miss Amundsen left for the Philippines in late June, after orientation sessions at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. She spent nearly six months in that country learning about farm life by living it. This is just one of the aspects of this people-to-people cultural exchange program, points out Columbia County Extension Agent Tom Zinn.

The IFYE program is conducted by the National 4-H Foundation in behalf of the cooperative extension service. Oregon annually sends four young people to other nations under this privately financed program.

Funds for the support of the IFYE program in Oregon come from the Oregon Bankers association, 4-H club members and leaders and other interested business firms and individuals. Columbia county contributed \$178.00 to the IFYE fund last year. "These funds were raised through the efforts of 4-H club members and leaders," says Bob Stevely, 4-H club agent in Columbia county.

Miss Amundsen, daughter of Mrs. Bernard Amundsen, Astoria, has been connected with 4-H club work in Clatsop county both as a member and a leader for 12 years.

A graduate of Pacific Lutheran University with a degree in education, Miss Amundsen taught a fourth grade class in Tacoma, Washington public schools the year prior to her IFYE assignment to the Philippines. She will visit Columbia county on a speaking tour February 8 through 12. Her scheduled tour so far includes 26 speaking engagements at schools and service clubs throughout the county. Anyone wishing to see her colored slides may attend any of the schools at which she is scheduled to speak.

February 12 she will be in Vernonia and will speak to grades 5 through 8 at the Washington school at 1:40 p.m. She will then go to Vernonia high school to speak to certain classes at 2:45 p.m.

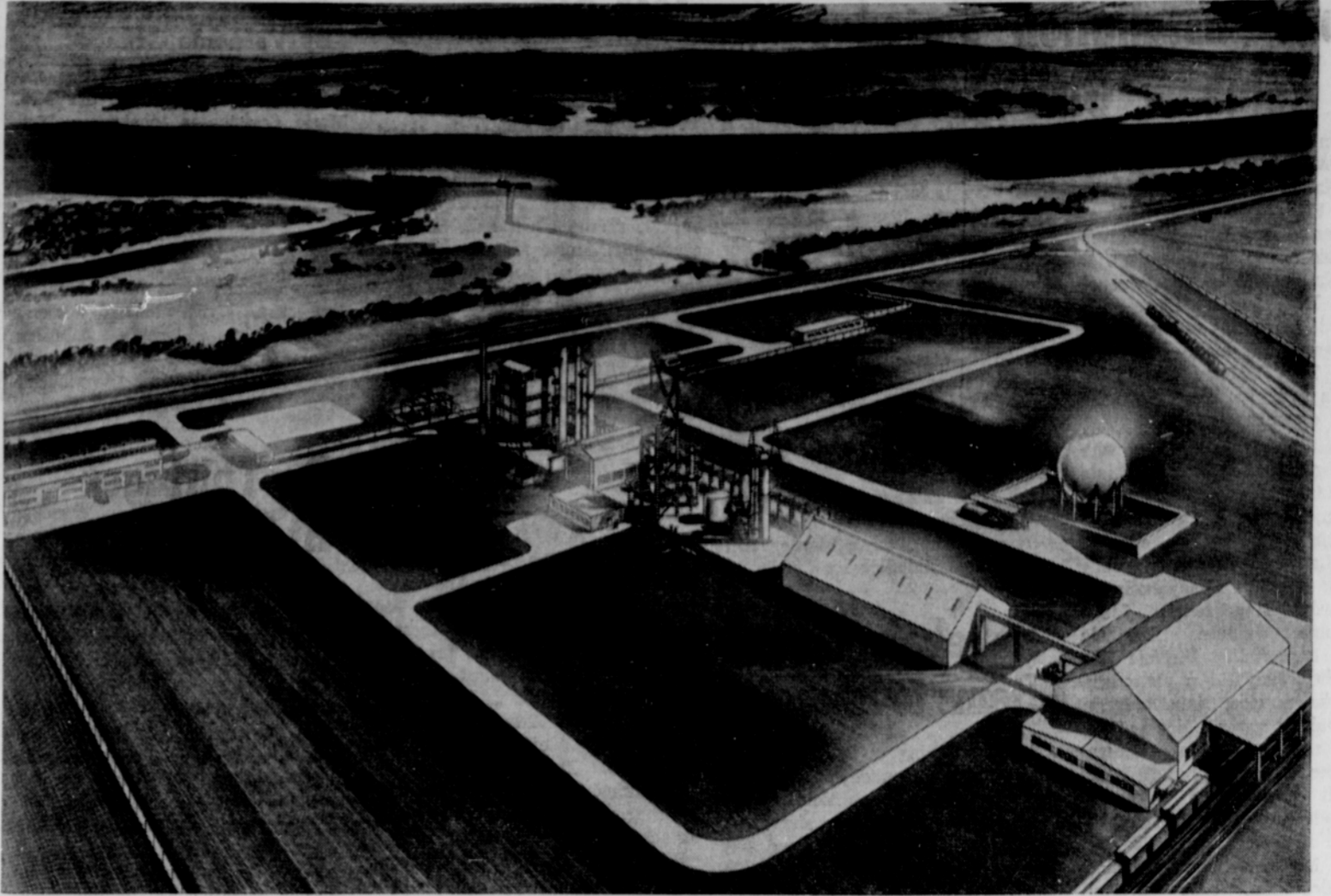
### Early Nehalem Valley Provides Conversation

BIRKENFELD—Dinner guests at the home of Miss Shirley Berg Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Wanstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lonquist and Mr. and Mrs. Arby Mills. Most of the time was spent in reminiscing over early days of the Nehalem valley.

Fred Udey was confined to his home with the flu last week.

The Orval Clausen family has moved to Vernonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johnston were in Portland Saturday.



DRAWING of plant to be built at Deer Island by Shell Chemical shows arrangement of facilities for production of fertilizer and chemicals announced Sunday by company officials. Shell presently operates 10 plants producing fertilizers, agricultural chemicals, synthetic rubber, plastics and resins and industrial chemicals. They are located at Pittsburg, Ventura, Martinez, Doningue and Torrance, California;

Marietta, Ohio; Houston, Texas; Norco, Louisiana; Woodbury, New Jersey and Denver, Colorado. Shell Chemical pioneered development of anhydrous ammonia now one of the most widely used fertilizers in the west, and developed Nitrojection technique by which product can be metered into irrigation water. Later it perfected Nitrojection which injects product directly into soil.

## Education Lack Involves Many People in State

A little known threat to Oregon's assets of lumbering, agriculture and the growing tourist industry is the loss of productive citizens through lack of education and acquired skills.

The consequences can add to welfare rolls and cause legal involvements of large numbers of people, says Dwight Haugen, coordinator of the Economic Opportunity programs for the State of Oregon.

The Economic Opportunity Program authorized by the 88th Congress and being implemented in Oregon through the Governor's office, is specifically designed to tackle this problem through a variety of activities affecting both adults and children.

An example of the problem, explains Don Coin Walrod, Columbia county extension agent, is the fact that nearly half the state's adults did not graduate from high school. Their children are not likely to complete their education either, thus lowering their life's earning expectancy, he points out.

Figures compiled from 1960 statistics gathered by the Bureau of Census show a direct relationship between teen-age school drop-out rates and the educational and economic levels of the parents, even though a high school diploma is required for lower or middle income jobs today, Walrod continued.

The "war on poverty" has resulted from national recognition of this problem and Oregon has already received several cash grants to combat future welfare claims and criminal records on the part of these disadvantaged youngsters.

There will be six Job Corps camps in the state and the vocational-rehabilitation center at Tongue Point near Astoria. The Office of the Governor has received an allotment to aid small cities and towns to help plan their own community programs and to qualify for federal assistance.

### Couple Honored On Anniversary

MIST — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson were entertained Thursday evening at the Fred Busch home in observance of their wedding anniversary.

The Howard Grimsbo family was in Portland Saturday on business.

Mrs. George Mathews substituted Monday through Wednesday of last week at the Mist grade school for Mrs. Walter Mathews who wasn't well. Guests at the Mathews home Saturday evening were the Kenneth Tupper and Dee Veere Hershey families.

Mrs. Lloyd Garlock accompanied Mrs. Sulo Sanders and Leslie to Vernonia Friday evening to attend the concert by the Willamette University band. Sunday overnight guests at the Garlock home were her folks, the Vern Wagners of Hazel Dell, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Shetler and family of Ariel, Wash. were guests of the Birkenfeld Community church Sunday. Mr. Shetler was speaker for the service. A potluck dinner was served after the morning service.

Mrs. Claude Kyser accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kyser to St. Helens Tuesday.

Over \$70,000 will be spent on adult remedial education in reading, writing and arithmetic for some of the state's population who haven't gone beyond the sixth grade.

There will be work study programs designed to help those who cannot finance their college education by working part time either on or off the campus.

In this initial stage, the community action and Job Corps programs are receiving the most attention, Walrod said.

The community action program provides incentive for urban and rural communities to mobilize their resources to provide activities in such fields as employment, job training,

counseling, health, vocational rehabilitation and other areas for the benefit of low income individuals and families. A committee appointed by the county court is now giving this phase special attention.

Young men and women between 16 and 21 who enroll in the Job Corps will be assigned to conservation camps or training centers. The camps will teach elementary academic skills and provide work experience, while the centers will provide more advanced education and job training.

Civic leaders throughout the state are being asked to assist in forming local interest groups to sponsor these activities, Walrod said.

### Winema Club Yearbooks Compiled by Members

BIRKENFELD—Last Thursday the Mesdames Darrell Baker, Francis Nordstrom and Art Bellingham were at the home of Mrs. James Watson to make up the Winema HEC year books.

The Women's Missionary Society will meet at the Birkenfeld Center Wednesday, February 10.

Mrs. Fred Larson, Mrs. Gene Larson and Mrs. E. T. Johnston were in Clatskanie last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bender and children of Forest Grove spent Friday night with her folks, the Roy Stuves.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Beach were Friday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Beach.

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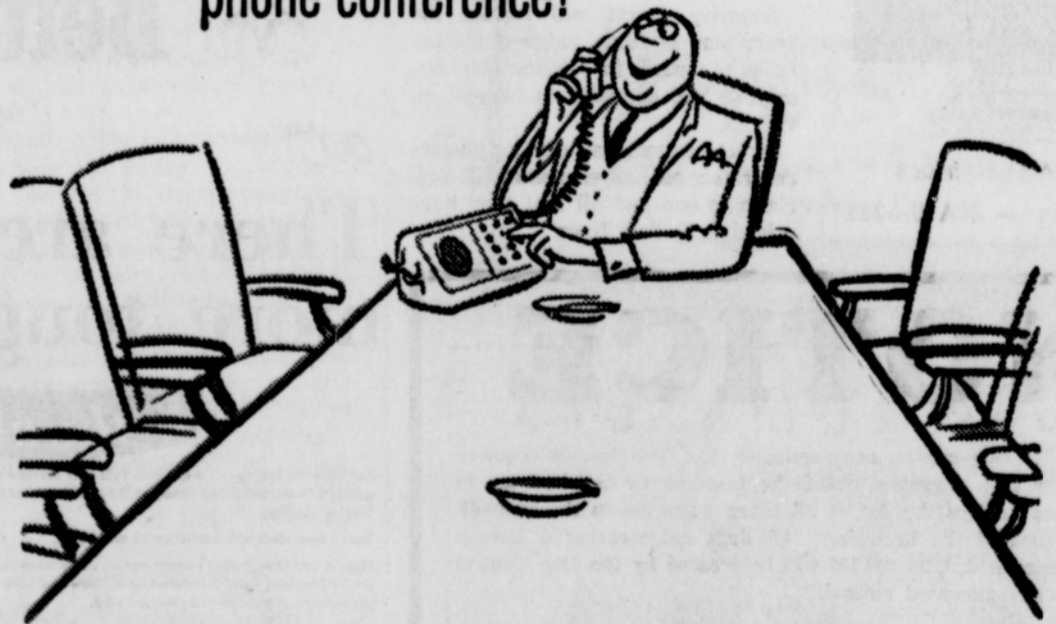
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