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SHELL . . .

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a \$500-million segment of the region's total economy and has an annual payroll of more than \$80-million.

Shell's synthetic rubber production at the present time approximates about one-eighth of the total national production and serves western rubber fabricators with their own source of supply for the many hundreds of products manufactured for consumer use.

Pioneer

Shell pioneered in the production of raw materials for synthetic rubber, developing many of the original processes prior to World War II. This interest stems from the more than a quarter century of service to the transportation needs of the nation, Voogd commented.

Fuels and lubricants keep the wheels of industry and private vehicles moving. Logically, the company has had an interest in the rubber on which these wheels move.

It is significant, also, that synthetic rubber is produced from two petrochemicals, Voogd said. Butadiene comes from butylene gas which is a by-product of oil refineries' cracking processes. Styrene is made from propane and benzene, both of which originate from crude oil and natural gas.

With the local synthetic rubber plant now under private industrial management, the avenue for increased production and increased variety of quality products is greatly enhanced.

Shell research is already exploring the petrochemical field for development of new products.

Production of the plants at the present time, nearly 90,000 long tons annually, will continue to be the source of thousands of rubber fabricated goods for use in both homes and industry.



NEW INDUSTRY HONORED . . . Officials of Shell Chemical corp. which has assumed ownership here of three government plants were honored at a Chamber of Commerce breakfast recently. Studying a chart explaining the



synthetic rubber process are (l-r) G. S. Williamson, superintendent of the local plants; Arthur O. Otsea, breakfast chairman; Maarten Voogd, plants manager; and Paul Loranger, Chamber president.

19821 South Figueroa, employs more than 1000 individuals.

Synthetic Goods

The raw synthetic rubber and other useful products are manufactured at other plants into useful consumer goods. Among these are: floor tile, bath mats, garden hose, insulated wire, foam rubber cushions and mattresses for the home.

Automobile accessories made from synthetic rubber include tires and tubes, floor mats, battery boxes, fan belts, and gaskets.

Yearly Output

The local plant produces

nearly 90,000 long tons of synthetic rubber annually.

Some idea of the size of this production can be had when it is considered that 54,000 passenger tires can be manufactured from one day's output, if all the production were used for that purpose.

This represents one set of tires yearly for every automobile on the Pacific Coast.

There is a total of 139 buildings located on the 278 acres of the three plants. Enough electric power to service a city of 160,000 is used here daily.

Water is circulated at the tremendous rate of more than 100,000 gallons a minute at the local plant. Two of the largest water coolers in industry recycle the water repeatedly, thereby placing a minimum strain on Southern California's limited water resources, company officials stated.

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RABIES . . .

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Groups have endorsed the compulsory program. They include American Animal Hospital association, American Medical Assn., Los Angeles County Veterinary Medical association, Los Angeles Tenth and Thirty-first District California Congress of Parents and Teachers, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and others.

VACCINE

The proposed new vaccine is safe and harmless. It was transmitted serially through a long series of eggs until it, like the virus in smallpox vaccine, lost its power to produce the original disease but maintained its power to stimulate the production of antibodies against the disease. Nearly two million dogs have been immunized without any serious reactions or complications due to the vaccine. The procedure is less painful than a penicillin injection.

LEASH LAW

Enforcement of the leash law is a most important factor in the control of rabies. Complete enforcement of this law the year around is harder, however, than enforcement of the vaccination law once every year or two years. Stray dogs or rabid dogs will bite dogs on a leash. If vaccinated, those dogs are safe; if not, they will contract rabies. Official reports show that where three-quarters of the dogs of a community have been vaccinated, rabies has disappeared.

COST

The present cost of the vaccine is about .35 center per

immunization. Prevention is cheaper than cure.

These facts were made available by the Citizens Committee for Better Health. The editorial committee includes Dr. Lewis T. Bullock, M.D., associate clinical professor of medicine, USC and Dr. Milo D. Appleman, Ph.D., chairman, department of bacteriology, USC.

The Torrance Press has awarded a renewal grant for her sophomore year at Palos Verdes college for the upper division studies in the Human Relations field.



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Boys should either call FA. 8-2345 or come in person to the Torrance Press, 1406 Cravens avenue. (near the City Hall.) Applicants should be 10 years old or older.

LATE NEWS . . .

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tion of six portable bungalows.

THEATRE GROUP: ACCENT Theatre! will hold an organizational meeting today (Thursday, May 19) at 8 p.m. at the YMCA, 2080 Washington (corner Arlington and Plaza del Amo).

CHARGES DISMISSED: Bookmaking charges against Mrs. Laurine Trimble of 25225 Denny road were dismissed in Long Beach Superior Court Monday. Mrs. Trimble claimed that she did not know that Judson and Margaret Alsup were using her phone for bookmaking purposes while she was away. The Alsup's pleaded guilty to one count and will come up for probation June 14.

CHILD NEGLECT: Mrs. Beverly Robinson of 25652 Marigold ave., Harbor City, arrested last week for child neglect when police officers found her children living in indescribable filth, will come up for a probation hearing May 27.

HOSPITAL . . .

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500 bed multiple story general hospital.

The site and its barracks type buildings, formerly occupied by the United States Army were acquired by the county for \$1 from the war assets administration after World War II.

However, the federal government retained for the army a reversionary clause under which they could wrest the hospital from the county in the event of national emergency.

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