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**Local No. 1**

Brothers

If you believe there is a real gasoline shortage instead of a shortage created by the oil companies, this is not for you so throw me away.

However, if you believe this entire situation was contrived by the oil companies to create a false shortage and drive up the cost of gasoline unnecessarily, this letter should be of some interest to you.

Perhaps you remember back in 1973, when gasoline was thirty-five cents a gallon and suddenly in order to get to work, you had to sit in a line for thirty minutes in order to buy ten gallons. Because of a shortage? Suddenly, the price went to fifty-five cents a gallon and we were virtually swimming in gasoline.

Remember in 1977, when all the coffee beans froze and coffee went to \$5.00 a pound and forty cents a cup? For once, the people quit buying it and now, suddenly, it is back to \$1.65 a pound, but still forty cents a cup. Now, no one in the world understands the first law of economics better than a major company; "charge what the traffic will bear." They know if they create a large enough "shortage," as long as we have a buck, we'll pay it for gas.

How many times have you said to yourself if it wasn't so useless to fight the Federal government, General Motors or Standard Oil, you would love to take them on. But, what's the use??? What can one person do? My friend, I am going to tell you what one person can do and show you how. It will cost you almost nothing in money or time and I will guarantee you results.

There is absolutely no way we can take on all the major oil companies so let's start with one. Shell Oil Company on July 1, 1979. We think we should start with Shell Oil for two reasons. It is *foreign owned* and it was the first company to ration gasoline to its dealers. We feel Shell wants to withhold gasoline, and we think it is our duty to help them. It will also be

more patriotic to buy from an American Company.

So mark your calendars—July 1st, 1979— **TO HELL WITH SHELL**— and just don't buy any more Shell products until we get their attention. In addition, make five copies of the copy I have just written, and send it to five friends as soon as you read it. If they in turn do the same thing, within sixty days an awful lot of people will be directly involved in the gasoline problem.

And **BROTHERS**, there is nothing in the world that will get a major oil company's attention quicker than a drop in their excess profits. This is what I was looking for in last month's article, and with all the locals working together and copying the above letter and sending it to friends, we can (the middle income **SILENT MAJORITY**) stop this garbage . . . **UNITED WE STAND \* DIVIDED WE FALL . . .**

Brothers, two close friends and brothers passed away this month. Bro. Bob Delany, 39 years old, leaving a large family. Bob worked for Dover and fortunately had a very fast bout with cancer. Also, Howard Buck, past shop steward of the Otis Bronx Office and retired for ten years, passed away after a one month bout with cancer. Please remember the brothers in your prayers and our sympathy and sorrow will be shared with their families.



Jim Kennedy B.A. with the Dover Boys at the Shop Steward Meeting



Bros. Ray Bender, Bill Keegan and Frank Dolan celebrating Bill's election to shop steward

The **DOVER BOYS** are really getting organized. Bro. Bill Keegan (two months ago I showed him in pin curlers) shop steward for Dover, called a meeting and was well attended. The brothers at the meeting were very out spoken and much was accomplished . . . The **TRADES-**



The Tradesmen's Fishing Trip, waiting for the fish



Guess what we're having for dinner

**MEN'S** fishing trip was a great success with all the brothers catching their share of dinner.

Because of the pictures, Brothers, I'm cutting the article short so until next month, work safe and stay out of mischief.

Fraternally yours,

*Frank Dolan*

**P.S. TO HELL WITH SHELL**