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FIRST THINGS FIRST

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The very first thing for this issue is for your Editor to correct a grave injustice. On page eleven of our Special Edition, in the paragraph wherein we gave mention to the menbers of Mr. Grumish's Staff, we managed to miss the name of Mr. ELDEN KRAPF, who is our Division Controller, and you had better believe that it is a Staff position. This good man not only does a superb job here, but is also a good friend of ours, and we are sure sorry for our "slipsies".

OPEN HOUSE A GRAND SUCCESS

Thirty-eight different groups toured this plant during our Open House, and we estimate that this was about 570 persons. In addition, we cared for about 150 youngsters in our "Kiddie Korner". The crowning touch of a great day was when our own SISTER MAUREEN appeared to make the tour with the last group. Everyone who has been here eleven years or more knows that SISTER MAUREEN, before she entered the convent, was MAE GALLAGHER, our Industrial Nurse for years. Your Editor, having finished his Open House duties at the front end, dashed out in the Shop, and separated the good Sister from her tour, and by lucky timing, had her at the aisle at the north end of the plant just at 3:30, when everyone was punching out. The younger men went right on by, not knowing who she was, but it was a sight to see the older employees, hurrying out of the plant, screech to an abrupt stop, scream "MAE", and rush over to greet her. That fabulous woman called each of them by name, tho many she had not seen in years. We're sure glad she came.

It took an extraordinary amount of effort on the part of many people to make the Open House the success that it was, and we herewith list them for you, and hope we don't overlook any of them. The "Greeters" were JIM MALLANEY, LEO WILLIAMSON, and RUDY PETERSON. Mr. EARL MILLER was our "Answer Man", IDA CUPRYS was busy all day getting people registered, and SYLVIA SIPPEL presided at the coffee pot.

A special "thank you" to Pepsi and the Canteen Company for supplying us with "pop" for the Kiddies. HAL McCLEARY had a busy day taking photos of groups throughout the plant, and CHARLIE THIEMER, RAY WILSON, and HAROLD WETMORE were driving the "Tractor Train" for the Kiddies. Out in "Kiddie Korner", BID CLEMENT and JOE GIUSTI were showing movies, and DON BAYLOR, BILL SELF, CAROLYN BENOIT, DIANA DUFF, and JUDY SWARTZ were taking care of the youngsters. SHERIE CLARK worked both in the front and Kiddie Korner. Night nurse JESSIE MAU was out there with the young ones all day, helping with the baby-sitting, and standing by in case her medical skills were required. Thank goodness, there were no

mishaps of a serious nature.

The guide/hostess teams were DON SNYDER/ANN MULVIHILL/BONNIE DUFFY: KRAFT: BOB MICKEY BOUDREAU/SHIRLEY BARRONE; JOE KEIGHER/GLORIA LANE; MERLE BLOOM/JANET DON BLANCHETTE/MELINDA PETERS; SPARENBERG; RON GREGOIRE/PAT BERGERON; SPRIMONT/BETTY MARSHALL; BOB HISEL/BARB FLANIGAN; JOHN PADWOJSKI/ MAXINE BOUCHARD; JERRY ALLIE/JOYCE LAMBERT; NICK GINERIS/MARY FRINK; RAY WARMOTH/VICKI REEVES; and LaVERNE QUADE/ PAULA DEMIERE. During one of the rush periods, we also had ASHTON MINER take a group thru, and, like the rest of our people, he came thru in fine style. PETE LAFFEY had both hands busy, passing out, and collecting his safety glasses. Your Editor had a bit to do with the affair, and we thank all those people we mentioned for their cooperation and good efforts.

Winners of the Door Prizes were: Patio Grill, Mrs. H. WETMORE; Dinette Set, IDA CUPRYS; Pool Table, MARY SNYDER; and the Custom Tractor and mower was won by JOHN DADES.

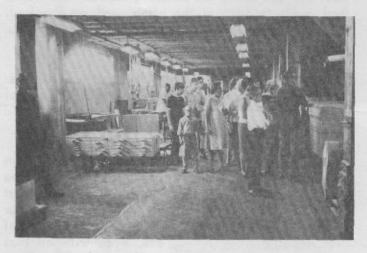
We personally would like to give a great big pat on the back to DON JENKINS and his great employees in the Print Shop. All (?) this "gang" did in the last week, besides their regular work, was print our Tour Brochure and that 12 page special edition of our Roper/Bradley News, and, even with all that work, a couple of the gals from the Print Shop worked all day Friday as hostesses.

A good boss is somebody who thinks an assistant who did all the work rates at least half the credit for it.





That's not a whip that LEO WILLIAMSON has in his hand, and he's not about to "beat" the youngsters. It is a walkie-talkie that we used to keep in communication with the KIDDIE KORNER during the day. The driver, in this pic, is HAROLD WETMORE, and that doll in the cart with the youngsters is SHERIE CLARK.



This is one of the THIRTY-EIGHT groups to tour our plant. Most of the people indicated to us that they were amazed at the size of our facilities. We heard nothing but good remarks and praise of our people.

AT LEFT

 Some of our guests being greeted, registered, and a having refreshments in the tent at the front of the plant during Open House.

THE BRADLEY DIAMOND JUBILEE AND US

Our Open House, of course, was timed to coincide with the Village Jubilee, and our Special Edition of the Roper/Bradley News was widely circulated thru the Village during the celebration.

In the Grand Parade on Monday, Roper/Bradley had two floats, and several of our Tractors in the line of march. We are certain that the huge throng that witnessed that parade is the largest group of people ever assembled in Bradley at one time in the history of the Village.

We offer our congratulations to JOE LANOUE and his committees for putting on such an elaborate and spectacular affair. As of this writing, we don't know how the affair came out financially, but we hope it was the success that it appeared to be.

In addition to our own floats and tractors in the parade, it was most interesting to see MANY of the other floats being towed by our Suburban and Custom Tractors. As a matter of fact, we saw only one Tractor in the whole parade that wasn't one of ours. Good advertising, even if we didn't have to pay for it.

We doubt if we will have our pics of the Roper/ Bradley floats back from developing in time for this issue, but will sure show 'em to you in next week's edition.

OLD TIMER SERIES

Nope, we haven't discontinued the series of our "OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK", we only suspended it for a couple of weeks till we finish the hectic business at hand. Look for this feature to be resumed in the next issue.

He only worked with us for about a year, but his many friends here will miss Engineer BILL FYFFE, who has resigned to take employment elsewhere.

KEITH GRANDPRE, and son, KEITH, Jr., are mending well after being involved in a traffic mishap on Broadway a few days ago. They were riding a motorbike, and collided with a car. KEITH, Jr. had a black eye to show off at school.

Small boy to small girl: "Are you the opposite sex, or am I?"

ED SCHOENFELDER RETIRES



This jolly fellow started here in March of 1944, and left us last Thursday to enjoy retirement. ED started in our Receiving Department, and then spent many years in our Foundry, working at several different jobs there. Of late, he had been working in the Repair Parts Department.

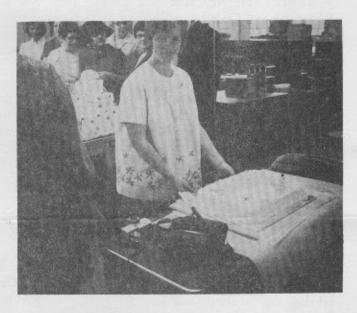
When asked of his retirement plans, ED told us that he "had plenty to do at home". His wife, MAY and daughter DELORES will probably keep him busy enough to stay out of mischief. He does hope to do a lot of fishing. Good Luck to our newest retiree, and, ED, come back to see us often.



This gal is VICKI REEVES who worked in our Pring Shop, and, among other things, made the Roper/Bradley News the attractive little paper that it is. Her efforts have been outstanding. She has resigned and will become the bride of STEVE GUERTIN tomorrow. Our personal note to VICKI is Good Luck, and thanks so much for your help on the paper.

The Maintenance Department's ELMER "BUD" RANTZ, along with his wife BERNICE and sons RICHARD and DONALD have just recently came home from a trip to Alaska, Japan, Hawaii, and our West Coast. They were gone for a month, and had a ball. When showing the movies they took "BUD" has a pun worse than some of the ones we spring on you. In a shot of Hula Dancers in Hawaii, the first frames a little blurred. "BUD" says it is because "they made his glasses steam up." All the time people have been telling us that the Islands were a nice, warm place, we thought they were talking about the climate.

Incidentally. "BUD" had those fine old restored motorcycles of his in the Grand Parade Monday, and drew a lot of "Oh's and Ah's".



LANA WITTHOFT, who worked in our Engineering Department Office, has left us to sit at home and await the arrival of the stork. A real nice gal, and it was a pleasure to work with her.

We haven't had a chance to mention a couple of grand picnics since they happened, and we must tell you that the 20 year Club Picnic was its usual grand time, and we were delighted that so many of our Retirees could attend. The following day, the combined Union Picnic was held, and tho it got a bit breezy and damp late in the day, it was also a well attended and happy affair. Sorry we haven't got a flock of pictures, but we can guarantee if we did have some, you would see nothing but happy people in them.

Recently a single girl came into the office and began passing out cigars and candy, both with blue ribbons. Somewhat puzzled and most surprised, her co-workers asked why.

Proudly she displayed a solitaire on her left hand and announced: "It's a boy—six feet tall and 170 pounds." Wednesday was the final scheduled matches, and going into that last nites play, the RAY HAYS/BILL SELF duo had a 222 to 221 point lead over TOM TRAVIS/DALE GRAF. The first mentioned lads roared in with a 36 to 14 point victory to wrap up the second half championship. That means they will play LEE HERSCHER and GUS LaROCHE, the first half champs, in the final outing Saturday.

TRAVIS and GRAF wound up in a second place tie with JAY KEROUAC and CAMILLE RIBERDY.

This week's prize winners were SNYDER and JENKINS, 1st; NELSON and DUST, 2nd; and E. PERKINS and CAHILL won third. For the individual prize, LAFFEY, SELF and GUSTIN all had 35 net, and in the toss of a coin to determine 1, 2, and third, they came out in the order listed.

The annual "Final Outing", which amounts to an individual tournament for league members will be held Saturday, and we will give you a run down on the results next week. Defending champ is LARRY BROBST, and to our recollection, no one has ever won this tourney twice in a row.

GET A TRANSFER

If you are on the Gloomy Line, get a transfer. If you're inclined to fret and pine, get a transfer. Get off the track of Doubt and Gloom; get on the Sunshine Train — there's room — get a transfer.

If you are on the Worry Train, get a transfer. You must not stay there and complain — get a transfer. The Cheerful cars are passing through, and there is lots of room for you — get a transfer.

If you are on the Grouchy Train, get a transfer. Just take a happy Special back — get a transfer. Jump on the train and pull the rope, that lands you at the station Hope — get a transfer.

RONALD ROCKIS, son of "Judge" JOE ROCKIS, of our Engineering Dept. has returned home after serving two years in the Peace Corps in Peru.

Housewife: "Do you mind escorting me out to the garbage can dear?"
Husband: "Why that?"
Wife: "I want to tell the neighbors we get out once in a while,"

TERRY SIROIS (D/35), presently on a Military Leave, and LANA ANDREWS were married September 26th.

ROGER BLOOMQUIST and SHIRLEY JEAN MASCHER (daughter of ELMER MASCHER (D/41) were wed September 26th also.

STORKLINE

BOBBY (D/35) and SHERRY GARRISON are parents of a boy, TRACEY LEE, third child.

THE BEST PLACE TO FIND A HELPING HAND IS AT THE END OF YOUR ARM.

Back on page one, we were saluting the people who worked so hard on Open House. Not in the public eye, but they did a swell job of setting up the Conference Room, was DENNIS PETREE and JUAN RODRIQUEZ. Thanks, Fellows.

Your old Editor was especially impressed by the way RUDY PETERSON gathered up the zillions of loose ends in the affair, and neatly tied them up in a hard knot. Only trouble was, that "hard knot" kept jumping around in yours truly's stomach all day.

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SERVICE PLATEAUS - SEPT.

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35 years - MELVIN E. (MICKEY) BOURASSA 25 years - EDWIN A. KEROUAC, WILLIARD R.

NELSON, LEON S. KOHAN, ROY N.
LaMONTAGNE, RENE S. SUPERNANT,
and DONALD VADEBONCOUER

20 years - HAROLD BASTIN, RAY GUTTENDORT, and EARL WARRINER.

5 years - NAPOLEON LaFRANCE, and LESTER WOODWORTH.