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SAFETY NOTES

Accident and injury figures are in for the full year 1968, and indicate about the same experience as in 1967, with a few exceptions. And brother, that ain't good! Strangely enough the number of lost time injuries was exactly the same (41) in both '67 and '68, there were 382 days lost as against 372 in '67. However, because we worked more hours this year both frequency (17.65) and severity (164.5) rates were slightly lower. This means in 1968, we had over 17 lost time accidents for each million man hours worked, and lost 164 days. The rates for 1967, were 19.0 and 172.5.

We would like to congratulate the following departments for completing the full year without a Lost Time Injury: Paint Line (37), Furniture (41), Receiving (67), Tool Room (71), Tool Grinding (74), Quality Control (88), Experimental (91), Repair Parts (83), and Warehouse (94).

During 1967, a total of 248 employees were sent to the Doctor for injuries, while 258 were sent in 1968. Since most accidents causing injury are the result of carelessness let's resolve to make 1969, a vastly improved year safety-wise. Remember injuries hurt everyone.

OLD PROS

We don't know how many competitors we have in the Chain Saw business (probably quite a few) but we daresay none of them san compete with us in the area of experience. On our Chain Saw Line we have a nucleus of twelve men whose combined experience totals an almost unbelievable 310 years. This averages out as over 25 years experience per man. Our "Old Pros" and their years of experience are as follows: SAM RAIMONDO and HENRY NEHLS 37, ROLLIN CROSS 34, JIM HAZZARD 30, BUCK MERTEN, FRANCIS GOSELIN and HENRY PIGGUSH 28, ART HAVEN and STANLEY STANKEWICZ 27, DELORE SHOVEN 25, and the "kids" ROY LAMONTAGNE 5 and DENNY PRINCE 4.

Foreman BOB WILLIAMSON feels very fortunate to have these "Old Pros" and is very high in his praise for their pride and know how.

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BIRTHS

ART D/72 and ROSETTA LANDRY are parents of their first child, a daughter MAUDE, born Dec. 28.

LARRY D/35 and PATRICIA BRUCKMAN are parents of a daughter BELINDA ANN born New Years Eve. She is their first child.

JACK D/10 and GERALDINE CARTER are parents of a girl and third child, JACQUELINE ANN, born December 30.

NORMAN D/35 and MYRTLE PHILLIPS are parents of a boy and 4th child born January 5.

PARTING SHOTS



"I've got an idea. Let's play post office!"

FOR SALE: Two Firestone Town and Country tubeless snow tires mounted on wheels. 8.25 x 14. Very good condition. Also 1966 Corvair Monza Chevrolet. 15,000 miles. Call 932-7227.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of TERRY REINICHE D/25 on his untimely death.

We extend our sympathy also to BONNIE DUFFY, Sales, on the death of her father.

OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK



TED POTRZEBSKI, who we salute this week, is another of those people whose entire working career has been spent here at Bradley, although he did a stretch in the C.C.C. before starting here on Feb. 12, 1941. (You youngsters who don't know what the C.C.C. was please check with someone who was around during the Depression). TED'S first assignment was in the Parts Stores working for TONY STANISZESKI but after about a year he transferred to Department 25, his present department, going on Supervision in 1966.

Duty called in 1942, and TED enlisted in the Army serving three years in a Tank Battalion and seeing action in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

MRS. POTRZEBSKI'S name is ANGELINE and the couple have been married twenty-five years and have two children; TED JR. following his dad's footsteps in Department 25, and daughter SHARON SMITH. They have two grandchildren, a boy and a girl.

This week's Old Timer is an avid fisherman and hunter and takes about three trips a year indulging in his hobbies. Just last week he and a group of friends got 30 rabbits in Southern Illinois. He says he has enjoyed his twenty-eight years at Bradley and is amazed at the production strides made here stating that, as a Set-up man in 1959, he saw 50 tractors a day produced and not too many years later saw that figure rise to 500.

CREDIT UNION

The Annual Dinner Meeting and Dance of the Florence Roper Employees Credit Union will be held Saturday, January 18, at the K of C Hall, Kankakee at 6:30 p.m. Tickets at \$2.50 per person are available at the Credit Union Office and the deadline for reservations will be next Monday, January 13.

BOWLING BY BAYLOR

The weather outside was terrible and the bowling inside was about the same.

The Compacts led by AM HACKLEY'S 514 series won 4 points from the Roto Spader crew. WILLARD ESSINGTON finding the alleys very icy shot 100 pins under his average. WILLARD, I might add is a much better bowler than his score indicated.

Bulls and Furniture split — PAT SOUCIE having his best night shot a 580 series to lead Furniture. Pool Tables and Stores also split for the evening. TONY had 560 series for Stores and MENARD a 534 for Pool Tables.

HERB BLAIR for Saws had one of those nights he very seldom has and therefore dropped all 4 points to the Mowers. Mowers by winning 4 points moved into 3rd place just 2 points out of 1st. BAYLOR and his "Fizz Kids" (Dispatching) took 4 points from the Whiz Kids (subs.). The "Whiz Kids" having their troubles have in the last 3 weeks won only 1 point.

We welcome BOB CRAWFORD back from service, and is a member of the Roto Spader team.

Weeks Hi Series - PAT SOUCIE, 580 Weeks Hi Game - CHUCK BRINKMAN, 210 Weeks Hi Team Game - Pool Tables, 893 Weeks Hi Team Series - Disptaching, 2462

Standings:		TOP TEN BOWLERS	
Poi	ints		
POOL TABLES	44	BLAIR	182
COMPACTS	43	MENARD	180
MOWERS	42	LAFLAMME	173
FURNITURE	401/2	VARBONCOUER	172
BULLDOZERS	371/2	BAYLOR	171
STORES	37	COFFMAN	169
SUBURBANS	37	BURLING	169
SAWS	351/2	BLANCHETTE	168
DISPATCHING	33	WASETIS	168
ROTO SPADERS	301/2	HIRT	168

LOYALTY

A factory is a great place for rumors and, by their very nature, most rumors turn out to be false. A recent rumor has come to the attention of management that recently retired MERLE BLOOM had accepted, or was about to accept a position with one of our competitors. MR. GRUMISH has requested we dispel this rumor quickly as both he and MR. BLOOM agree that in MERLE'S twenty-five years of sincere service to Bradley his loyalty to our company has been of such a high degree that he would not now in any way detract from that record.