



Friday, December 15, 1972

When you eat a generous piece of homemade mince pie, do you know that you are partaking of the "honor dish" usually served at

holiday dinners?

Just when this dish was first used at Christmas feasts is not definitely known, but it came into prominence during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries when gay times were common on the continent of Europe and in England at Christmas time.



The "minced pie" was far different from our own mince pie. In those early times, it was from four to six inches thick and filled with the rarest of fruits, spices, and raisins. It was like a very rich sauce baked in a deep dish with a rather thick and very rich crust.

The host always engaged the services of a physician because people invariably would eat too much minced pie, and there were sure to be a dozen people groaning and

rolling on the floor with indigestion.

In America, many of the early Christians did not have any Christmas festivities because of a peculiar religious belief that no celebration of the day should occur. The old Puritans went so far as to forbid eating minced pie, and people were actually fined for so doing.

—By Willin P. Knight.



PLANT SAFETY COMMITTEE

The picture shows a change in makeup of the Safety Committee that took place at the regular monthlymeeting held on Tuesday. NICK GINERIS is shown turning over his badge to RAY WARMOTH, while HAROLD MARTELL is receiving RON HIRT's badge. The new committee members will serve for a year.

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DECEMBER SERVICE PLATEAUS

FRANK WASETIS	41 Years D/70F	12-01-31	RENE E. DRAZY	25 Years D/35	12-02-47
ASHTON MINOR	37 Years Return Goods	12-11-35	RAYMOND McNASH JACK GROMER	20 Years D/35 D/15A	12-04-52 12-09-52
JOHN R. WILSON	36 Years D/66B	12-07-36	STANLEY BUTLER	D/70 5 Years	12-24-52
JOSEPH DOMINIAK THOMAS KEROUAC	31 Years Cost Whse. & Shipping	12-08-41 12-23-41	BRAIN BENOIT RONNIE BLOMER ED DEVINE	D/35 D/35 D/79	12-04-67 12-05-67 12-11-67
THOMAS ROE	30 Years Buyer	12-16-42	JOHN COX LEWIS ASHLINE HARRIET PONTON HARRY CRIBBET	D/35 D/25 C.T.S. D/15A	12-12-67 12-13-67 12-14-67 12-21-67



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

OPAL HARTUNG, this week's honored employee is probably the only gal in the office group to have started her Bradley career in the plant back on May 5, 1952. Actually she worked here in 1944 during the war but resigned to be with her husband. In '52 she returned to work on the Shell Line and is the only remaining employee of the over 100 gals who fought the Korean war on that line. Later she worked as a tube bender in D/15, becoming a timekeeper in 1965 and currently handling the timekeeping chores for the Forge Shop.

OPAL and her second husband RALPH, (a press operator at A.O. Smith) have been married 26 years. There are three children from her first marriage. Daughter Nira Becker lives in Indianapolis, Renee Phillips in Bourbonnais and son Noel Goudreau in Bradley. OPAL is justly proud of having 12 grand-children.

This fine Old Timer had open heart surgery eighteen months ago, from which she has recovered nicely but had to give up bowling. She loves to play eards, especially poker and pinochle, and has enjoyed working here but says she never remembers it being as hectic as now.

NEW EMPLOYEES

Welcome to the following new employees:

Thomas Kavadas
Earl Summers
Steve Willey
Ray LaGesse
Sammy Hunter
William Howe
Charles Reyling
Freddie Read
Paul Ziemer
Judy Pepin
Kevin Easter
Robert Panazzo

Katya Ydrovo
James Burnett
Pablo Acevedo
Jonathan Allen
Bobby Elumbaugh
Jeff Weaver
James Young
Charles Wheeler
Randy Claypool
John Grant
Rocky Glass

IT HAPPENS ON MONDAYS

"BOWLING THAT IS" BY HAROLD SIEFERT

The first five places in the standings stayed the same after Mondays bowling but did tighten up a little. The Truckers lead of five points has shrunk to only three with but two more nights to go in the first half. It was a rather slow evening for most all the bowlers but "CHUCK" KENDALL and GABE KEROUAC made plenty of noise between them as they shared the honors for high series with 560 apiece. "CHUCK" also had high game of 209.

The Cutting-In team bumped the Machine Shop boys for four points, Stores took three points from Assembly, the Welders team cooled off the Truckers by taking three ponits from them, and the Tool Room took the measure of the Forgers for three points.

Good games and series for the night were "CHUCK" KENDALL 209-560, GERACI 525, BUD MENARD 537, WILL ESSINGTON 514, OVNICH 502, GABE KEROUAC 200-560, SIEFERT 500, FORBES 201-526, and TONY STANISZESKI 503.

I would like to remind you bowlers, that Monday, December 18th, will finish our bowling for two weeks. There will be no bowling on Christmas Day or New Years Day. We will resume bowling on January 8th, 1973.

FOR SALE: Frigidaire Electirc Range-white 36" clean, good condition. Phone 939-2185.

We extend sincere sympathy to HAROLD SOMMERS D/79 and Retiree LAWRENCE SOMMERS on the death of their sister.

And to JIM HUDSON, Production Manager on the death of his mother.

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