



Friday, December 7, 1973 FLORIDA TEST BASE





Remember that nice guy WAYNE BECKWITH, who was with us for five years as Chief Test Engineer in Experimental? Last July WAYNE was moved to Florida as Chief Test Engineer of the Bradley Division Test Base near Ft. Lauderdale. The accompanying pictures show indoor and outdoor views of the test facility. WAYNE and Products Mgr. GENE SCANLAND have furnished us the following information on the Test Base.

The building and moving areas are located on the Flamigo Orange Groves and Tropical Botanic Gardens Broward County, near Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. On this site all products manufactured by the Bradley Division are tested with special emphasis on tractors and attachments.

There are approximately 450 acres with some 12 to 13,000 orange trees to mow around, most of which is heavy mowing. About 24 acres per day are mowed. In addition there are nearby sod farms that more than equal the size of the orange grove.

At the Test Base is an office and maintenance shop for approximately 12 tractors. The shop, office and conference room have about 2,000 square feet and is located 3 miles south of State Road 84 (Alligator Alley) on Flamingo Road. The highways are marked showing the way to the Flamingo Orange Groves.

We are sure WAYNE would be happy to see any Roper Bradleyans who might be headed that way during the holidays. He might even pop for an orange juice.

FOR SALE: One pair heavy duty auto ramps. Call 933-8057.

FOR SALE: 1972 Suzuki Enduro plus carrier. 800 actual miles. \$475. Call 939-4650 after 4:30 P.M.

We extend sympathy to:

RICHARD ENDRES D/67 on the death of his mother.

DAVID LAURIDSEN D/25 on the death of his sister.

MICHAEL GRAVELINE D/79 on the death of his brother.

NEW EMPLOYEES

CAROLYN BOUDREAU HARRY HARLEY GERALDINE ALLIE PEGGY MURRELL TIMOTHY WHITE SAMUEL STRANGE GREGORY OSENGA KERRY JOHNSON JAMES TANNER LLOYD HANNERS DAVID PRIDEMORE

FAMIOUS LEWIS
RONALD MOLLKOY
GARY SCHNELL
DAVID MONK
RICHARD EHEART
CHARLES KUTSCH
GUY SMITH
LOYD KINKEAD
GREG HERSCHER
JOHNNY RUSH
RONALD HUGHES



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

ED MARCZAK, this week's honored employee, recently completed 38 years of service having started on Oct. 22, 1935. He still has a long way to go to equal his dad Frank who started here in 1900 and spent 48 years in the Foundry before his retirement. ED, after two years in the Steel Yard and Sickle Depts. went to Engineering in 1937 and has been there ever since enjoying Exempt status since 1964. He is a Designer.

During World War II ED spent 4½ years in the Army having been drafted in 1941 as a private (before Pearl Harbor) and attaining the rank of Captain of Artillery by the time he was discharged. His two years overseas were spent in England, France and Germany and the war's end found him just 16 miles from Berlin.

ED and his wife Doris have been married 30 years and have two children. Mrs. Marczak an R. N. also saw military service as an Army nurse. Son Steve, an Illinois Wesleyan graduate, is married and a radio announcer for W. K. A. K. Daughter Kathy graduated from Illinois State University and is Social Director at Manteno State.

This fine OLD TIMER likes to fish, paint with water colors and work in his home woodworking shop. Twenty of his years in Design were in the furniture area and he recalls working on the design of the first item made here, a wrought iron highchair. He estimates that 90% of our furniture designs passed across his board.

BIRTHS

RICHARD D/25 and Lillian HARPER are parents of a boy Richard Charles Jr., their third child born November 16.

JAMES D/35 and Cathy CARLSON are parents of their first child, a girl Samantha Katherine born November 23.

PHIL D/35 and Beverly DEROSE are parents of their first child, a girl Janie Lynn born November 26.

DAN D/15 and Becky BURTON are also new parents of their first child, a boy David Allen born November 30.

IT HAPPENS ON MONDAY "Bowling That Is"

by Harold Siefert

Somebody will have to get lucky the next two weeks because the TRUCKERS have stretched their three point lead to four. Two more nites and the first half will be history. The second of those two nites is also position nite.

TRUCKERS	38	pts.
OFFICE	34	pts.
TOOL ROOM	33	pts.
WELDERS	33	pts.
STORES	31½ pts.	

The first three teams behind the TRUCKERS have a good chance to overtake them with the STORES team who have a very slim one. Its tough to bowl a 2943 series as the WELDERS did and only get three points out of it, and then watch the TRUCKERS take only the fifth high series and grab four points. The WELDERS with that 2943 series took three from MACHINE SHOP, the TRUCKERS took all four from ASSEMBLY, STORES took three from the FORGERS, TOOL ROOM and SUB-URBANS divided four, and the OFFICE team grabbed four from CUTTING-IN. The high game tonite was a 230 by HANK REITMEYER and high series was a 561 from PETE GERACI.

Good games and series were rolles by NEAL BAR-STOW 219-502, BOB CRAWFORD 201-538, MIKE LAR-SON 209, HANK REITMEYER 230-513, DOUG DANKEL 540, DON BAYLOR 515, THURSTON JONES 204, WILL ESSINGTON 209-514, RON HIRT 517, PAUL GIBSON 510, GARY MENARD 523, AL GUENETTE 530, CLARENCE STUMP 518, and PETE GERACI 202-561. FRANCIS CAISE took care of the 4-6-10 split and HANK REITMEYER the 4-7-10.

FOR SALE: 1966 Impala Station Wagon. 396 Turbo Jet. AM-FM Radio. Air Conditioned. Needs some work. \$400. Call 932-8140 after 5 P.M.

FOR SALE: Motorola Console Stereo. Reasonable. Call 939-9056.

FOR SALE: Like new Kenmore Automatic Portable Dishwasher, Call 933-7171.

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