



Friday, September 13, 1974



500,000th TRACTOR

Monday, Sept. 16 will be a big day at Roper Outdoor Products because on that day we will celebrate the assembling of the 500,000th garden tractor at this location. Appropriate ceremonies will mark the day and the company announces that for the 24 hour period beginning at 7AM on Monday and ending at 7AM on Tuesday all coffee and soft drink machines in the plant will be free.

We started in the garden tractor business in 1959 and the 10,000th was completed in February of 1965 at which time Chet Heller was the Sears Tractor Buyer. Reflecting a tremendous upsurge in production, the 250,000th tractor came off of the line in April of 1969, with Jay Reid as buyer. And now just 5 years later, with Leigh Rawson as buyer, production has reached the half million mark. It has been an eventful and fruitful fifteen years for both Roper and Sears.

#### **BLOOD DONORS**

The Red Cross has notified us that the following Roper Outdoor Products employees gave blood on August 22 and 26:

Richard Levellen	D/25
Michael Mosier	D/15A
Gary Swathwood	D/15
Dick Laney	D/79 Foreman
Elwood Laurent	D/35
Marvin Subbert	D/66
David Toune	D/25

We congratulate these men on their good citizenship.

## GOLF LEAGUE

As a result of last week's play the race was really tightened up with only three points separating the top three teams. The first five are as follows:

1.	Vern Krabbe & Gus LaRoche	257 pts.
2.	Lee Herscher & Gene Seamark	256 pts.
	Mickey Boudreay & Jim Legacy	255 pts.
	Don Snyder & Will Hartley	238 pts.
	Earl Massey & Thurston Jones	228 pts.

Gil Bergman and Tom LaFlamme won Low Team Net for the night with 73. Doug Dankel and Larry Power had 74, while Bob Kibbons and Harold Sage had 75.

The individual competition Joe Dominiak led all Class A golfers with 33. John Coffman had 35 while 3rd was a tie between Fred Dust and Wayne Rasmussen who had 36.

Dominiak had Low Gross with 40.

Birds were scored by Rasmussen, Tanner, LaRoche, Massey and Dominiak.

The final night of the 2nd half will be "Position Nite" on Sept 17. The winners of the 2nd half will then play the 1st half winners Snyder and Hartley for the League Championship at Dwight Country Club on Final Outing day Sept. 21. As usual, golfers are asked to make up their own foursome and call Don Snyder for tee times.

### BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT HAMPTON D/15A on the birth of their second child, a boy, born 9-06-74.

Also to TERRY DUPUIS D/35 and Julie on the birth of their first child, Michael L. born 9-06-74.

Also to Mr. and Mrs. GREG DECARLO D/67 foreman on the birth of their second child a girl on Sept. 3, 1974.

FOR SALE: Underwood typewriter - manual: Good condition: \$15:00. Call after 4:30, 932-5848.

WANTED: Ride to and from Bradley Ropers - days 7 till 3:30. Call 933-5930.

#### WEDDING

Congratulations to JEFFERY FARRAR D/35 on his marriage to Connie Henrichs, on August 24.



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week's honored employee REX BAINTER was born in the town of Hamilton, Ill. on the Mississippi River near Quincy and moved to this area when his dad came to work as a barber at Manteno State Hospital 40 years ago. He worked in a shoe store and drove a milk truck before coming to work at Bradley on June 7, 1939. He started in the Tin Shop, but also saw service in Stokers, Warehouse, Steel Yard and Inspection. Finally, in 1946, he found his permanent niche in Time Study and has been there ever since. Since 1964 he has been on exempt payroll.

During World War 11\*REX spent eighteen months in the Army as a M.P. attaining the rank of Tech. Sgt. Most of his service time was spent at Los Alamos, N.M. where the atom bomb was in its last stages of preparation.

REX and his wife Melba have been married 34 years and have one daughter Suzanne and two grandsons.

This Old Timer is active in Civic and Church affairs. He is currently chairman of the Bradley Police and Fire Commission and just finished a term on the Council at St. John's Church of Christ. He likes to putter around the house, work in the yard and play golf. And, in spite of all that has happened this year, he is still a rabid Cub fan.

#### DEATHS

Sympathy goes to WM. CARRIGAN D/15A on the death of his step-father.

Also to HAROLD CLUNEY D/25B on the death of his father.

Also to the family of EMORY DIONNE who was a former employee of Roper Bradley.

Also to IDA CUPRYS, secretary in Industrial Engineering, on the passing of her mother.

# IT HAPPENS ON MONDAYS "Bowling That Is" by Harold Siefert

Another night of bowling is history, and the boys showed some positive signs of opening up with the big guns. The "biggest" gun of all was a new-comer to our league this year who answers to the name of STAN BUTLER. His way of saying Hi was a nice 571 series. JOHN BELL was the guy with the biggest game, a 207. There was several other 500 series tonite, but the Assembly team seemed to have a monopoly on them. Its no surprise that with three members of that team getting a 500 series that they would come up with the high team series for the night, and that they did with a 2932.

It was a night for white-washing jobs I guess because three teams were blanked without a point. "Assembly" with that big series blanked the "Dispatchers". STAN BUTLER's big series enabled "Maint." to blank the "Office Team", the "Suburbans" did the same to "Welders", the "Forgers" took three points from "Stores", and the "Truckers" took two and a half points from "Tool Room".

Good games and series were made by JOHN BELL 207, BOB CRAWFORD 512, RALPH DOERHING 205, TERRY ARSENEAU 505, PETE GERACI 528, TERRY DUPUIS 204-522, and STANLEY BUTLER 571. The 5-10 was converted by TERRY ARSENEAU, the 5-7 by RUSS WESTOVER, and the 2-7-10 by RAY GERBER.

#### 20 YEAR PICNIC

The Annual Picnic for employees with 20 or more years of service will be held on Friday, Sept. 20 at the Roper Park starting at 3:30 P.M. Cards are being mailed to all who are eligible to attend. Chairman Don Blanchette requests that these cards be filled out and returned immediately so the proper arrangements can be made.

