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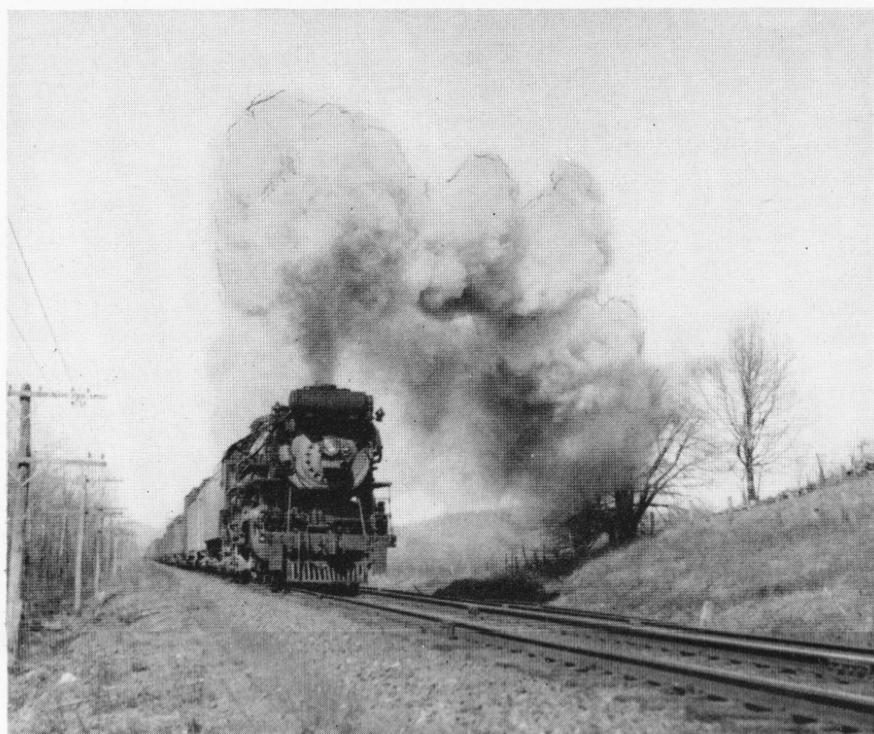
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## If This Engine Stops Running . . .



*Now that coal stocks are all but entirely depleted it is only too apparent that if trains like this coal-burning New Haven monster stop running, soon thereafter, Scovill will have to stop production. When necessary supplies cannot be shipped in or finished goods sent out, there is no alternative except that of shutdown.*

## Bill Wells Elected As Foremen's President

At the annual election of the Foremen's Association, May 7, Bill Wells, Wire Mill was elected president, succeeding Howie Kraft, East Mill. George DeMore has been named vice-president and succeeds Jim Coffey. Both the secretary and treasurer, Michael Toomey and Homer Senior were reelected while five new men were added to the Board; George DeMore, Sid Spender, John Corbett, James Hoben and William McGowan.

## Woodtick Life Guard



Jack Plummer, former Crosby swim star, has accepted the post of guard at Woodtick this summer. Jack plans to return to Dartmouth in the Fall.

## Button Society Hears Two Scovill Speakers

At the four-day meeting of the National Button Society in Springfield, Massachusetts beginning April 30, Scovill historians Doctor Theodore F. Marburg and Edward H. Davis pointed out to a nation-wide audience how Scovill has fitted into button making since its start in 1802.

Doctor Marburg, known for his history of Scovill during its first half century, related to the audience many of the problems that the Scovill button makers encountered from 1820 to 1840 as well as telling how and where most of them were sold.

While explaining the history of the world-famous "Lafayette button" to an audience of over 200, Mr. Davis removed many misapprehensions and myths surrounding it and at the same time endeavored to enlist the aid of the collectors from all parts of the states in uncovering any new information about it.

## Bowling Banquet Tonight

The Girls' Club Bowling Banquet will be held tonight at the Silver Chalet, 6:30 P. M. High scorers in the league were Ethel Johnson with high average of 98.7; Ann Drago and Martha Ratushny, high three of 355; high single, Ellen MacLelland with 147. Second prizes in these three classes will be made; perfect attendance will be rewarded and the Judge Reeves prizes will also be presented.

## What Do You Think?

Is there a God given right to strike? We must admit that the right to strike is written into Federal Law and in many State laws. Legislators have made mistakes before. Is this another one?

We would be first to maintain that an individual has the right to work or not as he chooses, provided he can continue to exist without the rewards of work. But should it be an irrevocable right for a group of individuals to agree to hurt the citizenry of the Nation by their concerted action of striking?

It would require but a slightly changed viewpoint to label such concerted action as conspiracy. Conspiracy is illegal. It is a crime.

As one reads the daily press and realizes that this great country is on the verge of complete paralysis and catastrophe because of strikes, we again ask, "Is there a God given right to strike?"

We are convinced that the continuance of such strikes with the political activities which go with them means not only economic ruin for the country but a change in the form of our Government. Only stern controls by Government to eliminate the current trend can prevent these results.

## City To Observe Foreign Trade Week

### Scovill Export Manager To Address Local Group

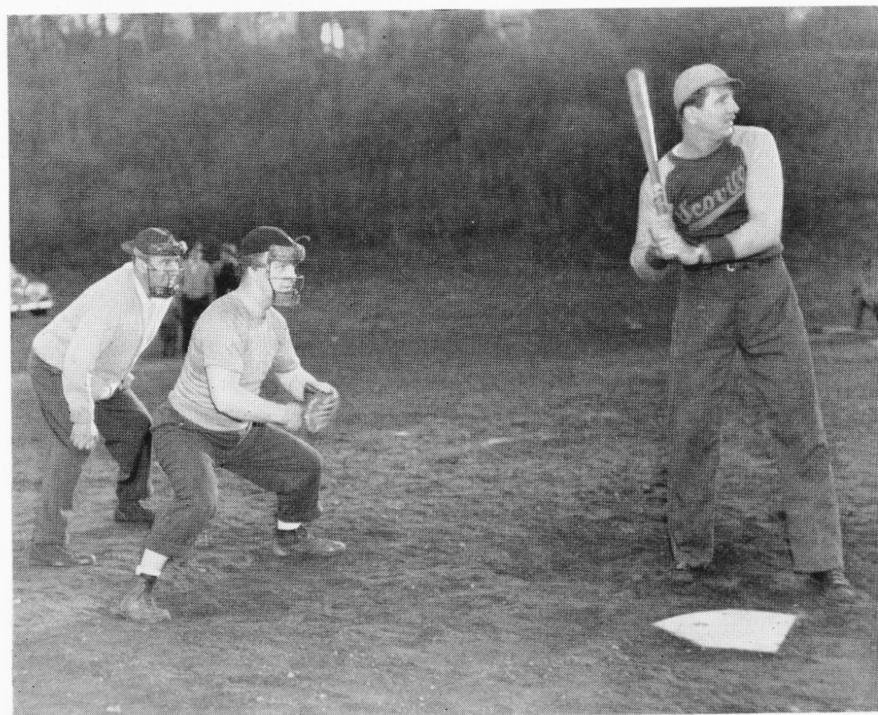
Waterbury's Foreign Trade Club, cooperating with the Chamber of Commerce, will observe National Foreign Trade Week from May 19 to 25. Highlight of the week's program will be a dinner at The Elton on May 23 to which interested people in export will be invited. Carl E. Alfaro, Scovill Export Manager and a native of Nicaragua, and Otto Kreuser, Vice-President of the Chase National Bank in New York, will be the principal speakers.

Howland-Hughes will devote extensive window display space to the in-

terests foreign trade holds for every citizen of the Waterbury community. Materials and end-products of the Waterbury brass, plastic and rubber industries will be displayed. The local committee of the Foreign Trade Club arranging the display consists of Joseph Schaeffer of Waterbury Farrel Foundry, Philip von Tobel of Citizens and Manufacturers National Bank, and Edward F. Dillon of the Scovill Export Department. Secretary Frank Green of the Chamber of Commerce is working with the committee.

Watch for the interesting display when you are downtown next week.

## SERA Takes Opening Game Of Season



Opening their 1946 Dusty League season against the Eyelet Specialty at the Bunker Hill diamond, May 6, the SERA gathered in the contest by a 8-3 margin behind the hurling of Frank Williams. SERA-man Howie Kraft came through with a prime homer. Above are Umpire Ernie Stanco, Eyelet catcher Bob St. Jean and Tony Jacovich of the SERA team.



## Have You Planned Your Vacation Yet?

"Recreation Office" Offers Resort, Travel, Vacation Planning Service

Have you planned your vacation yet? If you haven't, you'd better "get on the ball" because forecasts of the first post-war vacation season show the bars as being let down on almost everything. Travel concerns and resorts are counting on business double that of any previous pre-war year. This is going to be one season where foresightedness rather than ample funds will count.

Many facilities long tied up by armed forces' use are now opening to everybody. But yet, certain limitations will affect everybody. Resorts, travel agencies and other vacation necessities call for careful planning.

An answer to whether or not you can get accommodations at this moun-

tain resort or fishing camp, a big city hotel, air or rail travel to your favorite beach spot at any certain time can now be obtained from the Recreation Office.

The safest way to travel and enjoy resort pleasures comes with knowing the ropes. Air lines are offering reduced rates and increased services; resorts are opening new facilities; shorter and safer routes to these points are springing up. Everybody's earned a vacation this year and the best way to enjoy it is to be prepared for anything.

No matter whether you're going on a vacation "at home or abroad," the "Recreation Office" can help you get travel accommodations, reservations for hotels or resorts, tickets to theaters, ball games or a summer concert.

When you call the Recreation Office, tell them how, when, and where you want to go for vacation and they'll help you arrange the complete details.

## Employees Offered Prescription Glasses

Safety Glasses Embody Prescription

To save expensive dress glasses that are easily damaged and costly to replace, the Safety Department is now offering a new "personalized service" aimed towards fitting necessary employees with safety glasses ground to their prescription. The average cost of glasses runs from \$4.00 for regular lenses to \$9.00 for exacting bifocals, minus a Scovill paid share.

A simple procedure has been set up for this new service. Two prescription blanks may be obtained from the Department or any Plant hospital. Request your doctor to fill out the blanks if your eyes have been examined within the past year. When the filled out blanks are returned to their original source, they will be sent to a competent eyeglass firm so that your refractive prescription may be ground into the safety lenses.

When the glasses are received, the employee will be notified and glasses can be paid for in full or by a one dollar weekly payroll deduction plan. Your own eye doctor can re-check on the prescription and fit. Scovill is paying \$1.50 on the purchase price.

## First Archery Class At Center May 16

Archery is now definitely on the roster of Scovill sports. With the services of an archery instructor already assured, the first class is scheduled by the Recreation Office to start at the Center, May 16, at 7 P. M. To date, upward of fifteen have signed for the sport and a meeting will be held prior to that date to arrange for purchase of needed materials.

At the start, bows and arrows will be furnished by the SERA for the beginner's stage. As with the start of any sport, practice equipment suffices until an advanced stage is reached, then the purchase of advanced materials rests with the sportsman.

Most of the Scovillites already signed for the archery club are beginners and novices with the club still open to any who wish to join novice or otherwise. The sessions will be held in the Center until the weather warms enough for out of door practice. A suitable range is now being sought by the Recreation Office.

## They Really Love Their Hobby Too!



If you were like these members of the SERA Power Model Club who are interested in building and flying miniature gas powered planes and willing to use a pick, shovel and wheelbarrow to build a small flying field, then you could say you were really in love with your hobby. Above are Art Remfer, Joe Abramaitis, Vic Sablauskas and Richard Dubauskas, all occupied in levelling a 100 foot circle for their planes, later to be enlarged to 150 feet. The circular track will also be used for model racing cars. The site is on Scovill Road, near the boating area.

## Pops Concerts Sure For Summer Season

Good music has a definite value in community life and the "Pops" concerts will again be a part of many Scovillites' summer life. The Park Department voted continuance of the session last week and a schedule is now being arranged between the director, Mario DiCecco, and the Board. Hundreds of Scovillities attended last year's concerts and the first post-war season promises fine performance.

## Hits First Homer In First '46 SERA Win



In the official opener of the Dusty Softball League May 6 at the Bunker Hill diamond, SERA second sack'er Howie Kraft punched out the first home run of the season against the Eyelet Specialty in an 8-3 win. Behind the adept hurling of Frank Williams, of Chucking, the SERA aggregate showed promise of a winning season and featured an outstanding performance by Bob DeLeon at shortstop. With all around ability coming from all points of the diamond, SERA coach Tom Dillon stated that the boys are on their way to top honors this year.

## Tube Mill News

By Joe Phelan

JOSEPH A. ZELENAKAS is now working on the roller on the third shift . . . ROY MURPHY's high school baseball team opened its season with a victory. JOHN RIGON, CHARLES TULLY and CHARLES MONFETTI have been in the Tube Mill since 1926; DAN MCCARTHY and JAMES CUSACK since 1927; DENNIS PTASCHUK since 1928; OVIDE DORAIS, 1930; ART BLEWITT and JOHN DOWLING, 1931; and NICK FUSCO and CHARLES SEMETAS since 1932.

TOM CRONAN of the press is still out on sick leave . . . Several members of the Tube Mill were blood donors recently for MRS. SPRAGUE, wife of JESSE, first shift . . . FIRPO must be trying to work off a few pounds by keeping so busy working on the roller hearth.

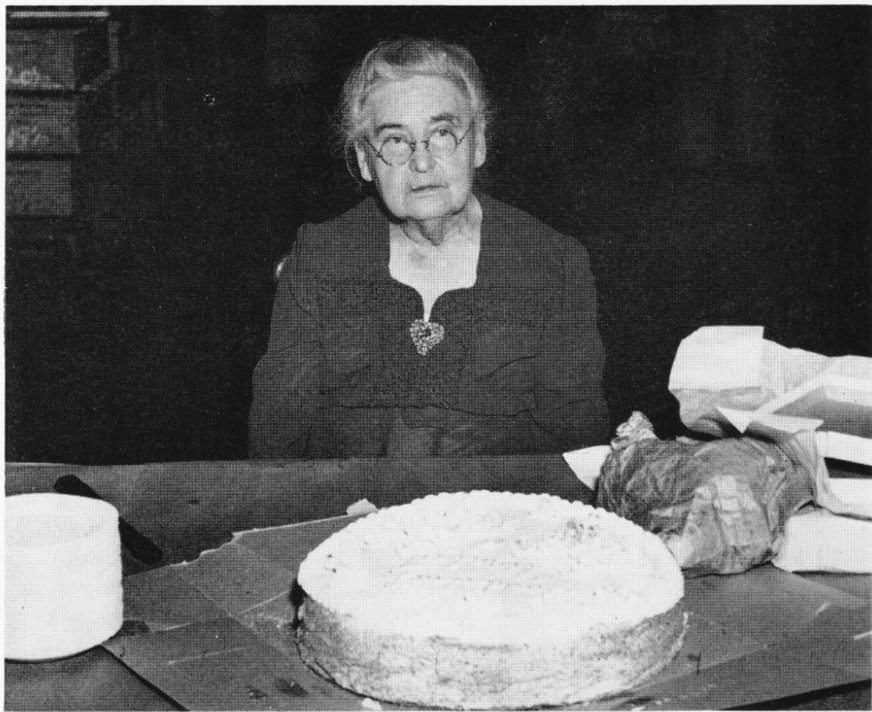
## Trim And Knurl

By Jack Driscoll

The Trim and Knurl softball team got underway in its softball practice on Thursday, May 2. Coaches WILLIAM PHELAN, LEO SMITH and CAPTAIN PAUL DELAGE were highly pleased with the results . . . JOE MANSEAU built a canoe for the summer. It's so tipsy that you have to part your hair in the middle to keep from falling out . . . I received a card from JERRY MARTIN in New York. The picture was of Grant's Tomb and the card read, "Wish you were here." My pal!

The wife of a friend of mine bought a new "lid" and it looks as though she is wearing a hair drier on her head . . . ANDY CARLO was on a quiz program in Hartford recently. His dad told him he should get back from the microphone — about two hundred miles.

## Good Luck Wished To Elizabeth Blakeslee



Seated before a huge cake that bears the inscription "Good Luck" is Elizabeth Blakeslee, press operator in the Fastener Room, who retired Monday, May 6, after thirty years of service with the Company. As parting gifts she was given a sweater, a house dress and a sum of money. John Madden was on hand to play records while the cake was cut and enjoyed by all.

## Electric Shell

By Lee

CARL bought a home. Congratulations! . . . VITO how will the boys ride home if you sell your car? . . . Sorry to hear your folks were sick, FRANCES, and you had to stay out . . . AGNES would like to have some goldfish to watch while working . . . When it rains it pours for CLAUDIA. Her husband was in an automobile accident and two days later was admitted to the hospital for an operation. Cheer up, CLAUDIA, after the rain the sun always shines. . . . BERTHA was in the Easter parade on Fifth Avenue and came back with two blisters.



## Needed . . . Good Christian Cooperation

### Tenants Wanted

A young couple may have the use of one bedroom and kitchen privileges—Eastern section. Call extension 2111 between 7 A. M. - 3 P. M.

Veteran would like a 3 or 4 room apartment preferably in Watertown or Oakville. Call Watertown 641-M after 6 P. M.

In between the extremities of these two ads that appeared in last week's BULLETIN there lies an unlimited field of Christian good-will work to be accomplished by Scovillites. Everybody can plow a good, deep furrow now—a furrow that will lead to a place where a veteran and his family can live.

While the housing situation may look cloudier every day with the arrival home of a new group of veterans, it's not as bad as pictured by some. Until more houses are built, most of the veterans are willing to live in smaller quarters—which can be provided by many Scovillites.

There are numerous Scovillites who have homes with unused spare rooms, some even have an entire unused upper floor or attic. Many a man and wife have more room than they ever use themselves. Their unused rooms and a few kitchen privileges will be heaven for a hard-pressed veteran and his wife. Maybe the attic or the rooms need a coat of paint or paper, perhaps a bit of repairing to make it liveable, but with the aid of a home-seeking veteran it can be renovated.

These types of quarters are still in evidence and the story, "Oh, you don't know the type of people you'll get" doesn't hold water today. Out of the thousands of veterans in Scovill, there are many who can fit any exacting reference desires. The Employee Information Office will find a couple to suit any qualification.

In many cases, dwellings have been neglected as to repairs and needed reconditioning. In these cases, owners have been reluctant to rent out space because they have no appeal as suitable quarters. But this type of work

can be done with the aid of a home-seeking veteran.

If the spare rooms or the attic need revamping, the Office will place a veteran willing to help make the renovations. It will make a better home for you as well as a place for him to live—you can pay him for the work with proportionate amount of free rent. It's just good Christian cooperation.

If you have any type of rooms, a room with kitchen privileges, call the Employee Information Office—2106. These men deserve the breaks and selfish interests have no place in this world of shortages today. The veterans are willing to cooperate in refinishing these quarters—you can cooperate by letting them know of the space through the Employee Information Office at once.

As far as is practicable, veterans selected by the Office for the quarters offered will be fairly judged by need and urgency instead of by priority.

## 2 Appointees Named In Mills Department

The following notice of appointments in the Mills Department has been received from the Superintendent of Mills. The appointments are effective April 29, 1946:

Edward Nadolny has been named Supervisor of the Drawbench Division, Tube Mill.

Algert Baker was appointed Supervisor of Muffles Division, Tube Mill.

## Ten-Year Service Awards

The following employees have received their ten-year silver service pins for continuous service:

Albert Leblanc, East Mill, as of May 9; Joseph D. Fram, Tube Mill, as of May 10; Alfred M. Northrop, Jr., Cost Office, as of May 11; and Violet R. Busby, Chemistry and Test, as of May 11.

## We Now Have A Two-fold Duty To Perform

The realization must have by now hit home that we won't have much food available if the coal strike continues and transportation is curtailed. Connecticut is not agriculturally self-sufficient and depends a good deal on the food that is shipped in to it. But it won't be coming in, in any great quantity. And now the nation has been called upon to cut down its consumption of food to avert hunger in Europe and Asia. What to do?

The logical solution is to grow our own food. And here Scovill is more than willing to plow up all its land for just that purpose. Just a request to the Recreation Office and a plot will be assigned.

The situation is serious all around, for us here at home and for those unfortunate people overseas. While it is very doubtful that we'll starve, five hundred million people are potential victims overseas. Our two-fold duty is no joke. While we plant and grow food for ourselves, we must at the same time cut down and conserve on wheat and fats, the foods on which the lives of so many hang.

## "Connecticut Deficit Area" States Governor Baldwin

Even before the coal strike began, Governor Raymond Baldwin stated in a radio broadcast appeal to people in this area that Connecticut is fully dependent upon outside sources for a great share of its food supply. Now that the coal strike has cut down on transportation, the need to grow food at home is more than evident. Not only will prices be inflated by this move, but if any crisis should effect other state's crops, this area would be in a serious state.

At present, more Scovillities have answered the appeal to grow food in home or Woodtick gardens than any previous year. It should expand more. Land is continually being plowed at Woodtick and the entire amount of land that Scovill owns will be plowed if it will help the increasing food situation in any way. Get out and get a garden plot tomorrow.

## Henry Carisio Here Twenty-Five Years



Henry Carisio

HENRY CARISIO, employed in the East Electrical Department as an electrician, completed twenty-five years of continuous service with Scovill on Thursday, May 9. Henry started out in the Waterville Division on June 16, 1920 and worked there six years before coming to the Main Plant.

Born in Viverone, Italy, July 23, 1903, he arrived in the States in 1918. He is married and has two children—Francis, aged 11 and Henrietta Ann, six years old.

An active person Henry has been an officer in the Loyal Order of Moose for the past 16 years; was a roller polo enthusiast until that game went out; is a hockey fan and likes to bowl; plants a flower garden at his home on Clover Street; and this summer is looking forward to a motor trip out West.

On his years of continuous service Henry says, "I've always enjoyed working with the people in Scovill, and having been an electrician all the time I've managed to get around to all parts of the Plant to meet them. My job? Well, of course, it always deals with the same principal but I'm constantly learning new things about electricity. And the more I learn about it the more I want to know."

## Willie White Wins Table Tennis Crown

Out of a field of eight finalists, covering the ablest table tennis exponents in the Scovill Plant, Willie White, of the Carpenter Shop, recently returned from service with the 6th Air Force in Panama, pulled through with able and deft paddling to cop the 1946 SERA crown from Ed Berube of Waterville at the Center, May 5. Willie took the crown in three straight wins—21-13, 21-9, 21-14.

In the first match, 1944-45 champ Mike Exarhou defeated Frank Sheehan only to drop the semi-final match to Berube. Berube gained the semi-finals with a win over William Miller.

White, in his first match, beat William Kellmure, then took over Anthony Cugno of General Training who had set back the 1945 runner-up Daryl Williams.

In his Army travels, the versatile Willie White managed to garner twelve table tennis crowns and the contestants agreed the crown was being worn by the ablest head. Willie's greatest ping pong victory was when he met Jini O'Connor, skilled champion who was featured in one of Grantland Rice's Spotlight movies, and won 21-16.

## Rifle, Trap Ranges To Open Memorial Day

The awaited opening of the Woodtick rifle range, previously scheduled for February but delayed due to the strike, and subsequent labor and material shortages, has been set by the Recreation Office for Memorial Day in conjunction with the 1946 opening of the Recreation Area.

Most of the equipment was ready for installation a few days before the strike, but when the Plant closed, work on the range also ceased. When the Plant reopened and to this date, switching of equipment and changing of departments has absorbed the full time efforts of the millwrights. However, the completion is now getting underway for the May 30 date.

Last Monday, initial construction was begun on the skeet and trap shooting range located near the old race-track. A bulldozer swung into action, leveling the ground preparatory to the construction of two shooting houses. A shelter for shooters will be finished at a later date.

Trap and skeet matches will get underway as soon as possible, it was announced by the Office, perhaps Memorial Day. A supply of ammunition and clay targets is already on hand for the events.

A new baseball diamond, the SERA Power Model Flying field and several other added facilities will open with the redecorated Woodtick area.

## L. P. Sperry Presents Awards



In recognition of their forty years of continuous service, President L. P. Sperry presents William Carew, Foreman of the East Plant Steam Department and John L. Robinson, General Foreman of the Yard Maintenance Department, their service awards and pins. Looking on are Chief German, Alan C. Curtiss and John Matter.





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## The Ounce Of Prevention

Remember the story of the little Dutch Boy who discovered the leak in the dike and stayed up all night stopping the leak — first with his finger and then with his whole arm? He was a hero in Holland, because he had the presence of mind to give prompt and correct attention to a little leak; he prevented it from becoming a major washout.

Prompt and proper attention to the common and minor scratch can similarly save you from a serious bout with the "strep" germ, lock-jaw, untold other agonies. Many a time you have gotten and will get a scratch, give it just a passing thought, only to find it healed and healthy without so much as a further bit of trouble. But every once in a while that insignificant little scratch lays a big man low when the wrong germs get after it.

Try as they will the doctors, nurses and safety people have a tough time selling the danger of a scratch to the big, husky fellows in the shop. Somehow or other the idea has been circulated around that to seek attention for such a minor injury is to mark yourself as a "sissy."

The fact of the matter is that to neglect attention to a scratch is to prove to everybody that you are the world's biggest "dope."

Scovill maintains hospitals in the plant to care for injuries — slight ones and serious ones. Those hospitals are equipped with modern facilities to care for those injuries. A competent staff of nurses and doctors is available to give the treatment judged necessary.

But no hospital, no equipment, no doctor or nurse can compete effectively against disease when the cards are stacked against them. They do, however, bat at or near the thousand mark when they get into a fair fight with demon germ.

The next time you suffer a scratch — no matter how slight — take the few minutes necessary and get yourself a hospital slip. There is a plant hospital near your department. Go there and get that scratch attended to. Give the hospital an even break to beat the disease.

You can never tell when it's your turn to suffer the agonies germs running wild in a tiny scratch can cause. Weeks and months of pain, amputations of the injured parts — even death — are at stake. Loss of money, loss of opportunity, loss of earning power are at stake.

Who wants to gamble against odds like those? Only a "dope"!

Never underestimate the danger of a scratch.

## Patty Takes A Bath Doctor Curran Named Medical Director



This young bathing beauty is Patty, daughter of Bernice and Norman Borman. Norman is now employed in the Waterville Division, Department 748 where Bernice formerly worked.

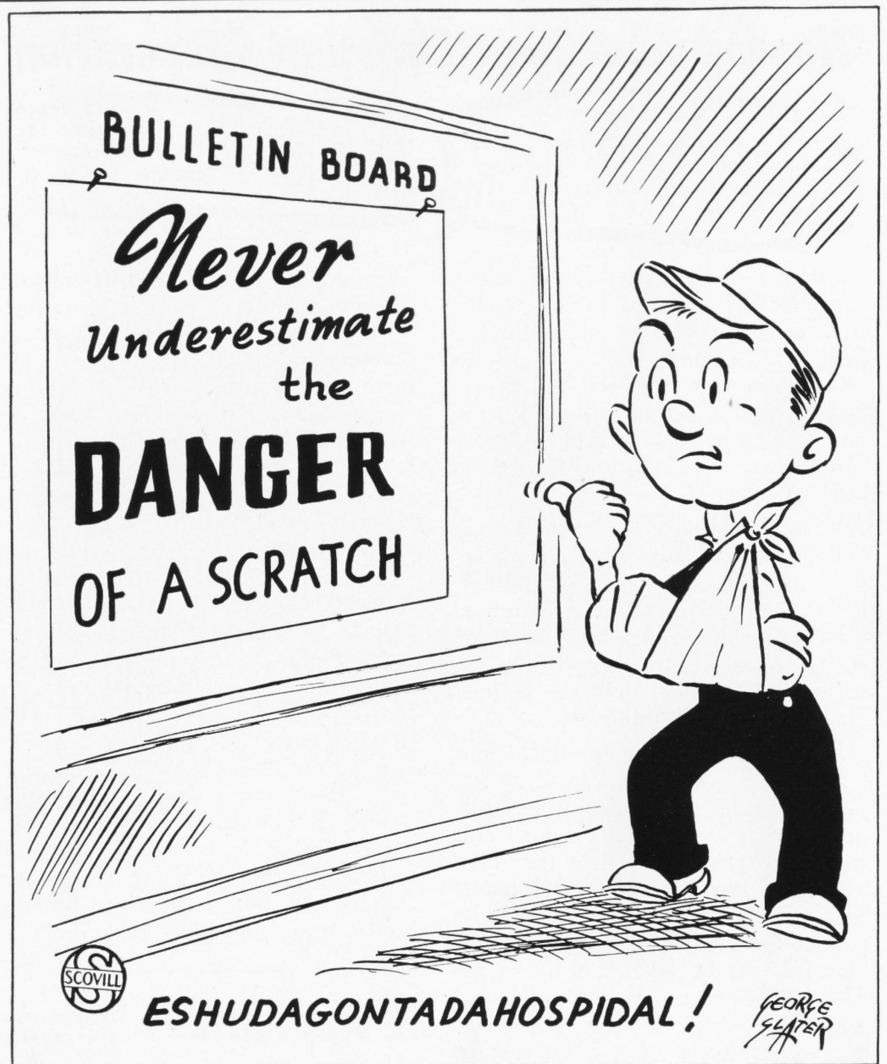
Dr. Harold J. Curran has been appointed Medical Director of the Scovill Hospitals, effective today, May 13. He will report to the director of Employee Relations.

Dr. George M. Smith, who retires as Medical Director, will remain on the Hospital Staff as Consultant.

## Training Course

The following have been reinstated in the General Training Course during the week of May 6, 1946:

Walter LeMay and Albert Daraskevich were assigned to the General Training Room; Vito Gizzie and Kenneth Waters to the Manufacturing Eyelet Tool Room; Robert Hallaway to the Button Eyelet Tool Room and Joseph Overton, the West Machine Room.



## Some Hobbies Really Pay Dividends

### 4-H Hobby Led Bob Fumire To Become Graduate Nurseryman

Most people who go into business for themselves are possessed of a natural leaning in that direction. In some odd cases, what starts out as a hobby with folks sometimes ends up in a growing business that has been a gradual following of the words, "Mighty oaks from little acorns grow." Almost every week in THE BULLETIN there appear advertisements by Scovillites who are also bent on making their hobbies pay. Not a matter of finance with most, it's the attractive idea of owning a part-time business that gathers adherents.

Every now and then in THE BULLETIN an ad has been present: Landscape Gardening—Planning, planting and pruning; can supply fruit trees, ornamental shrubs and evergreens. Who? Bob Fumire of the Manufacturing Laboratory who started this work as a hobby in the 4-H Club fourteen years ago as a high school student in Woodbury.

Now with two diplomas from nursery firms, qualifying him to do ornamental planting, landscape planning and shrubbery planting as well as lay

out and planting of fruit trees, Bob finds his one-time hobby has grown while paying dividends.

Anyone who studies deep into a subject gradually becomes somewhat of an authority. Finding himself in this position, Bob was called upon by many friends to do this type of work. "Making the hobby pay" was just a choice between doing the work free or being paid. Both imposed a working burden, so Bob chose the latter. He now has two men working part time for him.

Instead of a new job here and there, part of Bob's work is from a steady repeating clientele. This person's shrubbery must be trimmed this week, a lawn next week and so on.

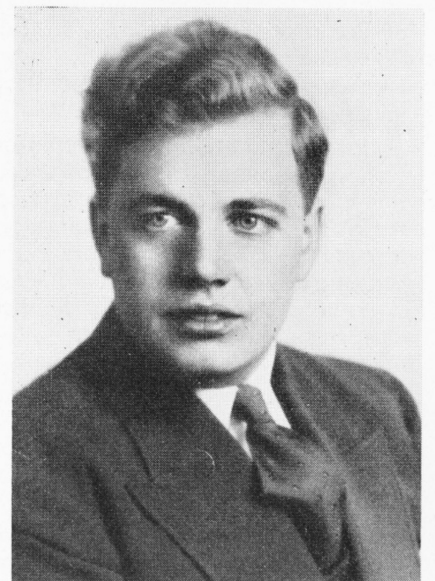
Maybe landscape gardening is a full league from mixing enamels and lacquers for Scovill, but as Bob said, "This is one hobby where you really have everything fresh and green to work with and it's the best hobby . . . especially when I've always spent my spare time hunting and fishing . . . always outdoors."

## Assembly Notes

By The Mystery Man

When it comes to writing poems Longfellow has nothing on B. COLLINS. They're considered masterpieces by all who read them . . . MARY O'LOUGHLIN looks quite nifty these days in her blue smock. So does NANCY with her new brown eyeglasses and HEDY with her new yellow jacket . . . We all wish ALICE CHERRY a speedy recovery. Hurry back, AL, you're missed on the flashlight battery.

When it comes to packing flashlights AGNES B. KATHERINE and REBECCA are quite clever. They deserve a lot of credit . . . It's not too hard to escape from Alcatraz according to ANGELO B . . . B. KERN celebrated her birthday last week and was she lucky winning nine new one dollar bills! . . . Welcome back to our department EVELYN BROWN and DELLA BUSHEY and hello to newcomer GLORIA CLARKE.



Bob Fumire



## YWCA Has Activities To Suit Every Taste

The YWCA, located on 80 Prospect Street, will celebrate its first birthday on June 4, and as of May 1, 1946 it has acquired 2400 members.

All girls in the community regardless of race, color, or creed are welcome to join to take an active part in the various activities sponsored by the association.

Clubs for the working girls meet at 7:30 P. M. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. Girls may visit these groups at any time and join which ever one they wish. Programs are planned by these groups including square dancing, hikes, bowling parties, co-ed activities, discussion on clothes, budgeting, interior decoration, travel, charm and personality, and afford a wonderful opportunity to make new friends and have a share in planning activities for leisure hours.

The YWCA also has a club program for girls in high school; a health education program; classes in bridge, cooking, arts and crafts, and there are facilities for badminton, croquet, volleyball and other out-door activities in the yard.

## Dan Was Always A Guard In Plant Protection

In last week's issue of THE BULLETIN we carried a notice of Dan Callahan's retirement, unfortunately stating that he had worked as a watchman in the Yard Department from January 29, 1918 until 1941 when he transferred to Plant Protection. In reality he had been with the guards since his first day here always on duty in the East Plant. During World War I he was supervisor of the guards there. We humbly apologize.

## May 21 Set As Final Rod-Gun Meeting

The final meeting of the Scovill Rod and Gun Club, until the Fall season, which will be held May 21 in the Employment Reception Room, will give prompt action to reports on the rifle range and skeet field as well as fishing activities, it was announced by Jim Littlejohn, club president. The meeting will begin at eight.

The ranges are both scheduled for a Memorial Day opening and the possibility of a shooting match has already been raised.

This year the club is also offering a group of cash prizes to be awarded to the club members catching the largest fish in any of six species. The contest which opened on April 19 will run until the end of the Reeves fishing competition, usually one of the latter Saturdays in September.

According to Mr. Littlejohn, this meeting will be the last for a long period and desired the largest attendance possible so that all current affairs may be cleared.

## Joseph Fregeau Retired After 28 Years' Service

Joseph Fregeau, veteran millwright of more than twenty-eight years' service, was placed on the special retirement list, March 25, 1946.

Mr. Fregeau, who was born in the Dominion of Canada on February 10, 1875 came to work for the Company on October 22, 1917 as a millwright the job he has held since. Ill health caused him to leave work last January.

Lots of luck and much happiness is the wish of all his friends.

## To Keep People Out Of The Hospital



Right in front of the Main Plant Hospital, a new safety lane has been roped off with the express purpose of keeping people out of the hospital. Owing to the mad rush of traffic from the parking lot to the gate every afternoon at three, pedestrians were continually in danger of being carried into the hospital. Other pedestrian danger areas are now being treated in similar manner, but the best idea of all for pedestrian and driver alike — "Watch out for the one who doesn't watch out for you."

## Recreation Area Opens Memorial Day

New Facilities Have Been Added To Completely Redecorate Area

As the accepted national opening day for summer resorts, parks and a variety of attractions, Memorial Day will also open the entire Woodtick Recreation Area to hundreds of Scovillites and their families for fishing, swimming, sunbathing, shooting, and a variety of added sports.

Under the capable supervision of caretaker Terry Mackin, the swimming area has been completely redecorated and cleaned. Floats have been scraped and repainted, beaches have been cleaned to near sterility and all

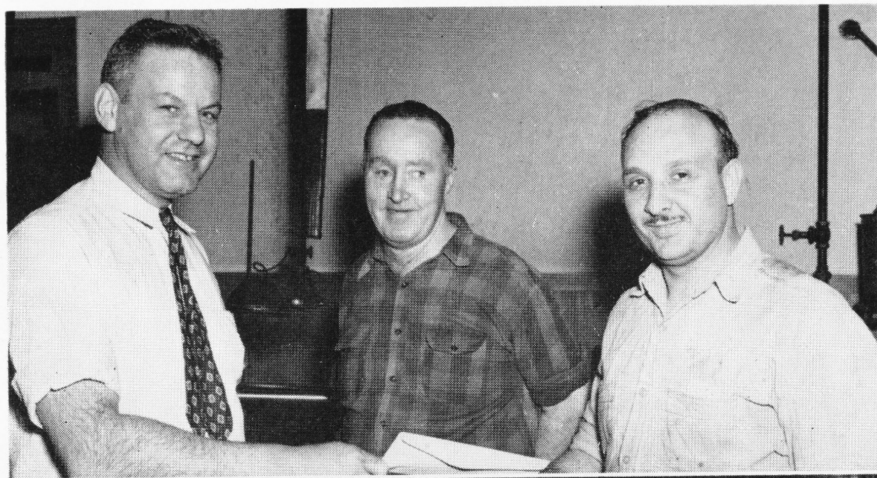
buildings are sparkling in a new coat of paint.

The large grassy areas are responding to culturing efforts. Tiny picnic parks are springing up deeper into the cleaned-up woods. More fireplaces have been constructed as well as new picnic tables and benches.

For the sporting fans, the new diamond near the chapel is showing response to last year's seeding and rolling efforts with a crop of tightly packed turf which may be ready for Memorial Day also.

Horse shoe pitching areas will also be set up. The old recreation area on the Wolcott Road side will be open to fishing as well as providing an area for camping youngsters and other outdoor activities. This area will also be reserved at times for departmental outings.

## Bonds Reward For Winning Suggestions



Anthony DeLallo, right, receives a \$25 Bond from Nicholas Crochet, Foreman of the East Machine Room, and Clarence Fruin, Chairman of the room Industrial Improvement Committee, for his suggested design of a steel bar that keeps jaw plates on tube drawing blocks from falling to the floor after each operation. In the lower photo Emile Veronneau, center, receives his \$25 Bond from Tom O'Connell, General Foreman of Extruded Rod, and Marion Greene, Chairman of the room Industrial Improvement Committee, for his suggestion of a perforated tube extension for torches that saves labor and materials. Not pictured is Domenic Pilla of Store 7 for a suggested development of a paper cutter which would increase production of cut paper 300 per cent.

## Department Softball Teams Start Battling

The Inter-department SERA Softball League got underway last Monday, at the Hamilton Park Brass Mill Diamonds 1 and 2, with ASMD defeating Waterville, 27-17; and North Mill taking Trucking, 16-1.

The results of Tuesday's games were Tube Mill over Grinding, 15-3; and West Machine downing Hot Forge, 15-4.

On Wednesday Dip and Plate defeated Casting, 6-3; Trim and Knurl took Lacquer, 14-11.

The schedule of this week's games is as follows. Monday, May 13, Grinding vs. Casting; Chucking vs. Dip and Plate; Tuesday, ASMD vs. Lacquer; Waterville vs. Tube Mill.

Wednesday, Trucking vs. Hot Forge; West Machine vs. Trim and Knurl.

All games start promptly at 6:15 P. M.

## Weather Against Golfers

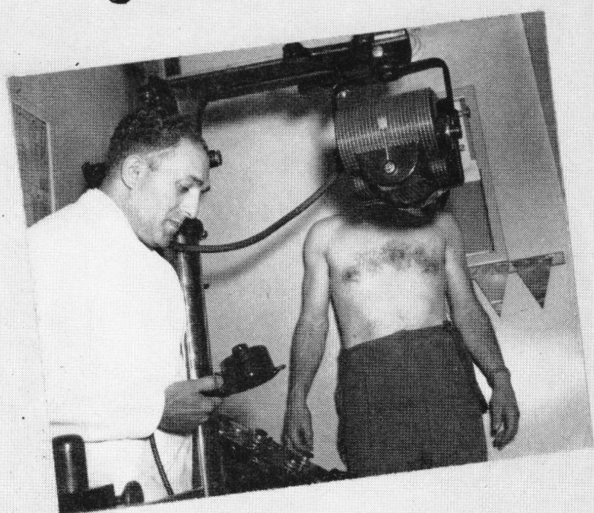
Unsettled weather last Tuesday, May 7, managed to keep six of the fourteen golf teams off the links at the East Mountain Golf Course. Of the eight teams that did play Ray Kozen had low score of 42.



Terry Mackin, caretaker at the Woodtick Recreation Area, is now arranging the final touches for the Memorial Day opening. Terry supervised the recreation area during the summer of 1945 and during the past winter months has become familiar to all SERA Center goers.



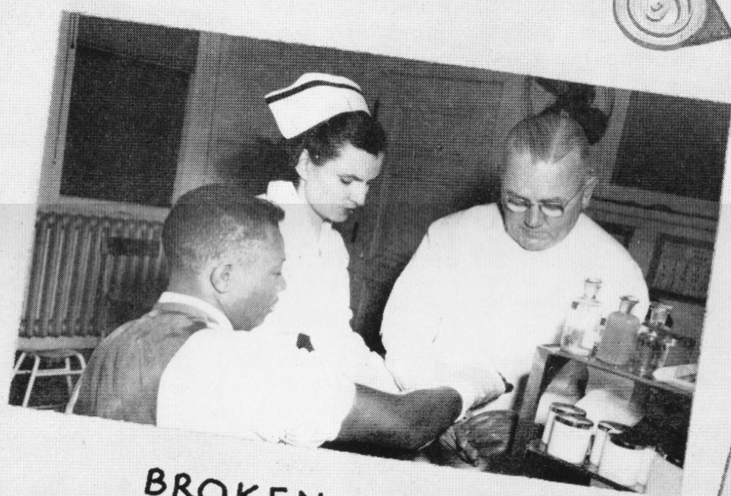
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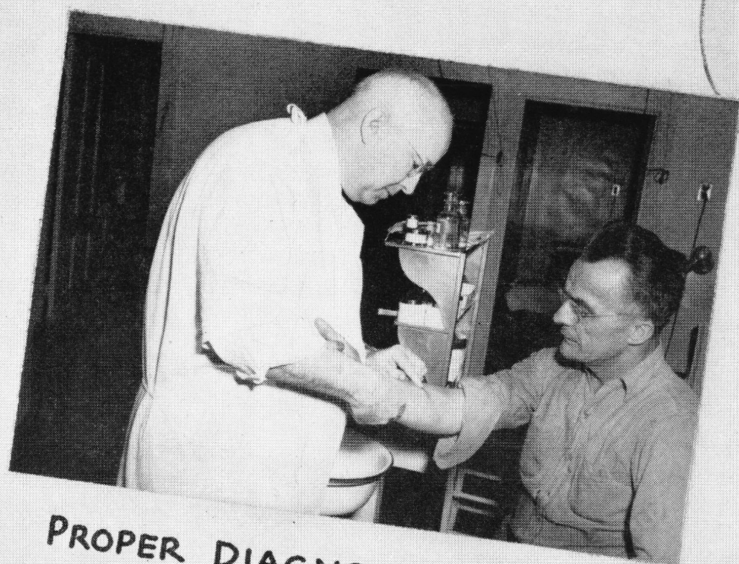
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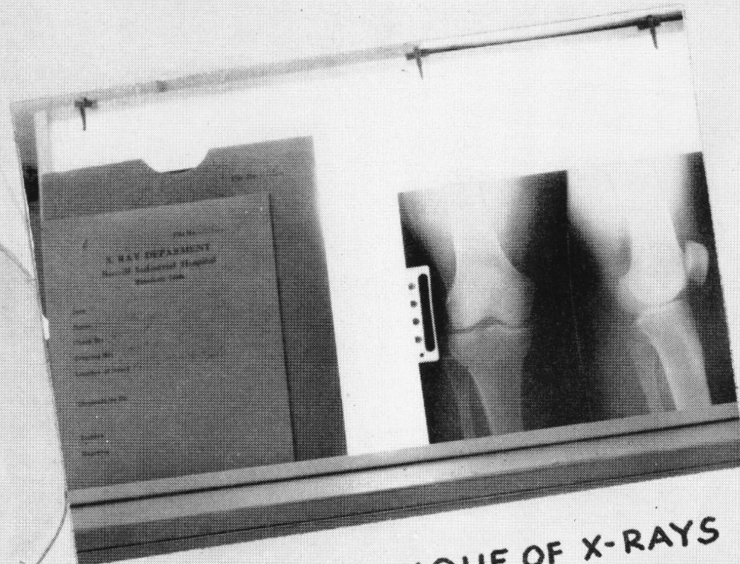
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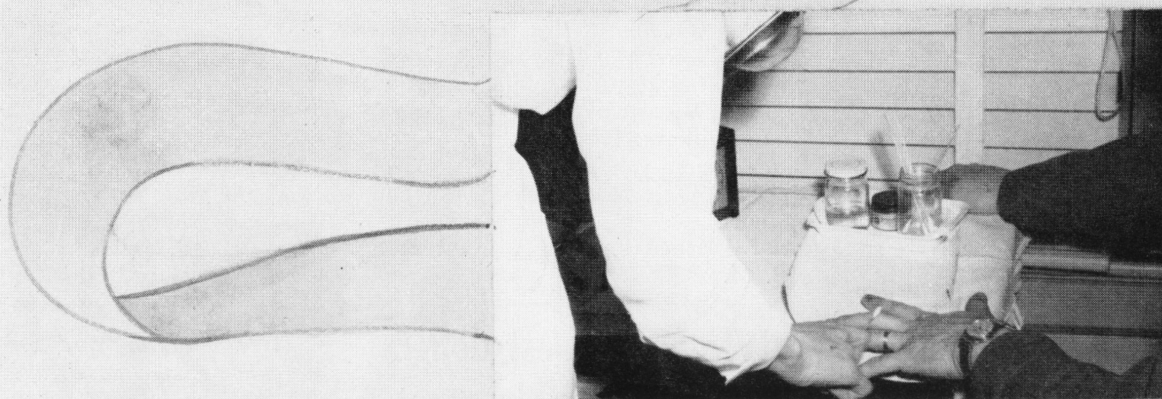
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# The Woman's Corner

## Filet Curtains For A Springlike Touch



A welcome change from heavy draperies and a springlike touch for your living or dining room are these crisp filet curtains. Designed in the simplest filet-crochet mesh with a narrow patterned border, these curtains will make easy handwork and add an elegant note to your home. Because the curtains are made of cotton, they can be tubbed and hung back in the twinkling of an eye.

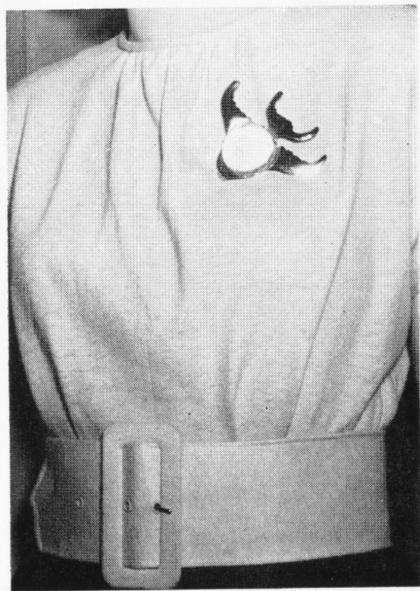
A crochet leaflet, "Curtain Call" is available by calling or writing The Bulletin Office.

## Got Tired Feet?

Pedal extremities is "fancy" for feet, and extremities of discomfort is what your feet are often in at the end of a long, hot day.

Here's a cooling trick. Give your tired feet a good scrubbing in warm soapy water. Dry them, then pull on white socks that have been soaked in witch hazel. Oh lovely! Feels like a new set of feet.

## Fancy Fish



Ornaments that adorn our young ladies are of a wide and varied selection. This particular pin is a cute fish with magnifying glass body. And our young Scovillite never has to worry that it won't match her costume. It looked particularly fetching on her dress of a blue, dusty pink and brown combination.

## Perk Up Spring Blouses

A suit with a perky bow or a lacy ruffle is a sure sign that spring has found its way into your wardrobe. Whether you wear a dainty pastel blouse or a white tailored vestee, the important thing is to keep it fresh and clean by careful washing and ironing. Nothing is so unflattering to a good looking outfit as soiled or mussed collars and cuffs.

### Wash Separately

In general blouses should be washed separately from the regular laundry, for they require special attention. Of course if some are colored and some are white, wash these groups separately too. When you come to the ironing procedure, remember that speed should be coupled with care.

Regardless of the type of finery you're washing, first remove any fancy buttons or unwashable ornaments. Better to take a little extra time for sewing than to ruin things because of haste.

Any stains which cannot be budged by warm, soapy water should first be removed. Lipstick is one of the most common and apparently most difficult. However, by simply applying an equal solution of hydrogen peroxide and ammonia, you can make the smudge disappear.

The whole procedure of washing blouses and neckwear is easy if you just make sure not to rub too hard — merely squeeze out — and not to use extremely hot water or harsh soap.

## Crochet This Sailor, Bracelet Handbag



Attractive accessories for the mature woman are a restraining handbag with bracelet handle and a neat little sailor. Both are crocheted of cotton, the bag in novel stitchery, the hat in simple crochet. Wide grosgrain ribbon encircles the crown of the hat and finishes off with a tailored bow at the back. A plastic handle and clip trim the handbag. It's still important to save your dollars, and you can save many of them by making your own accessories.

A direction leaflet for crocheting "Sailor and Bracelet Handbag" is available to you by calling or writing The Bulletin Office.

## Homemakers Figure Strongly in Famine War

### Food Saved At Home Contributes Materially To Famine Campaign

You know, ladies, this food conservation program is a campaign in which we should all take an active part — and not let it up to the next fellow.

Americans won't have to suffer but five hundred million people are potential victims of famine, and the next four months before the harvests will be the most critical period for them. So is it too much to ask of you to adjust your menus at home to utilize abundant foods?

Current supplies of oats available for food in this country are larger than they have been in several years. So eating a little more oatmeal and a little less bread is one way Americans can save the wheat needed to avert starvation abroad. If every man, woman, and school child in the United States reduced the use of bread by three slices a day in the home almost three-fourths of a million tons of wheat would be freed for shipment in the next ninety days.

Corn products, white potatoes, cauliflower, fresh citrus fruits, eggs, chickens (fowl), turkeys (toms), fresh and frozen fish are in abundance. Use these foods frequently as alternates for scarcer ones.

Here are some suggestions to help you in your home food conservation program.

1. Discontinue the practice of placing a basket of bread or rolls on your dining room table. A single roll or slice of bread with a meal is sufficient.
2. Substitute fruits and other

desserts for pastries and cakes frequently.

3. Reuse food fats and salvage what you don't reuse.

4. Boil, bake or broil rather than fry fish to save fats.

## Girls' Club News

By Ethel M. Johnson

Congratulations to DOROTHY ESPELIN and may you have a very successful year. DOT was installed as our new President at the 23rd Annual Banquet at Hotel Elton last Thursday night, at which time the following officers also took over: MARGARET FENSKE, Vice President; JANE PECK, Secretary; and IRENE WATTS, Treasurer. SUE GUARRERA will be in Charge of Entertainment; MARY M. COFRANCESCO will continue to be our reporter; SHIRLEY COLLINS heads the Get-Well Committee, and MARY ROBINSON will continue to be in charge of the Membership Committee. Following are the new Council Members for 1946-1947: LUCY GUARRERA, JEAN OSTROSKI, LENA GARAFOLA, ANN DRAGO, EVELYN PAOLONI, ETHEL M. JOHNSON, MARGUERITE DUFFY, and from Waterville, EILEEN NOONAN and BEEBE FARRELL.

Invited guests at the banquet were: MR. and MRS. L. P. SPERRY, MR. W. M. GOSS, MR. and MRS. ALAN CURTISS, MRS. E. O. GOSS, MRS. J. H. GOSS, MR. and MRS. JOHN HOBEN, MR. and MRS. HOWARD KRAFT, REV. FRANCIS AYRES and REV. BRADFORD COLTON. ARLENE BAUDER and JOYCE KUNTZWEILER rendered solos and approximately 250 members and guests attended.

We have two new members from Waterville, AGNES CLEVELAND and ADELE MATTEI, and one new member from Welding, JANE ROGERS. Welcome to all three of you.

It's a boy for MR. and MRS. PAUL MURRAY, the former MARGARET O'LOUGHLIN, Planning.

We're sorry to learn that at the present writing MARGARET MITCHELL, Central Time, is hospitalized but we hope she'll be with us soon.

PEG MONAGAN, Cost Office, is back again after a short absence.

Happy birthday to the following members and may you keep on looking just as young as you do now. RITA O'NEILL, the 8th; JOAN COSGRIF, the 10th; ANNETTE VARCUNAS, Waterville, 11th; HELEN LADDEN, 14th and CATHERINE MCCORMACK, 15th.

The Girls' Club Bowling League ended May 10th with a bang — no pin boys for a short time and you should have seen LUCY, EVELYN, MARY, HELEN and RUTH helping to set up the pins. All you had to do was mention a certain person and ROSEMARIE NIRO would take a spill. And who was the certain young gentleman at alleys 9 and 10 calling on FRANCES BLAKE? It's certainly Spring. The 100 and over bowlers were LUCY GUARRERA, 118 and 108; FRANCES SHUGDINIS, 110 and 111; SHIRLEY EHRHARDT, 111; RUTH OSBORNE, 106; ROSAMOND TAVANO, 104; ANNE DELANEY, 103 and ANN DRAGO, 101.

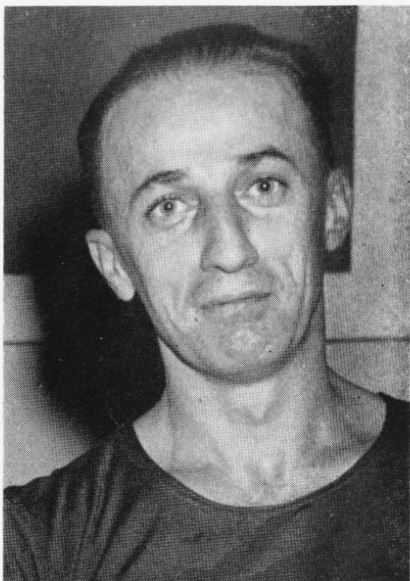
## Three Young Maids From Italy



John DeLuca, who is a crane trailer in the Scrap Room of the Casting Shop, recently received this picture from his niece, center, and two of her friends. She is twenty-two year old Maria DeLuca, who lives in Carsoli, Province of Aquila, Italy. And they're most attractive we must say!



## New And Old Table Tennis Champions



Home from the service but a few months, Willie White, left, stepped into the SERA table tennis competition to emerge as the winner of the 1946 crown. Mike Exarhou, right, holder of the crown for 1944 and 1945 was dropped in the semi-finals. (Story on Page 3.)

## Waterville News

Reporter—Bert

We miss JOHNNY PAIS this week but we hope he'll have a good time. If you see anyone walking around covered with soot don't be alarmed — it might be H. PINTO or ROCCO. From what AL KEMIS tells us he should have some "bang-up" crops this year. Keep it up, AL, nothing like growing your own. MARY DECOSMO sure is the popular girl. Seems as if she's always going somewhere.

Reporter—Adele

Best wishes to MARY WANDZELL on her recent engagement. Yes it is indeed a beautiful diamond. Our belated twenty-fifth anniversary greeting to MR. and MRS. ANTHONY BRUNO. Say — I wonder whatever happened to that bow tie MR. NORMAND wore in one day? Mmmmm it sure did have the girls swooning.

Reporter—Della

We welcome to our department CHARLES OUELLETTE, BERNICE VAR-CHUNAS, DONALD BEAUDOIN, NELSON ADDUCCI, HENRY CLEMENT, AL MONTI, PAT IADAROLA and ERNIE BRYANT. MAY LOU is kept pretty busy these days with her new position. Good luck, MARY! We are all anxiously awaiting the return of a few employees who have been out ill namely: FRANCES CARRINGTON, BILL JOHNSON, SAM RUSSO, and NAPOLEON GUILBAULT. We sure do enjoy hearing AL MONTI singing these days. Keep it up, AL, we like to hear you.

## "Buddy Poppy" Proceeds Start Memorial Day

Now that Memorial Day is at hand, one of the most practical programs of relief for the men disabled by war begins that day with the sale of "Buddy Poppies." Sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, backed by everyone, the proceeds help the men who returned home only to face continuing handicaps of impaired existences. A tribute to the dead, your purchase of a "Buddy Poppy" means that you are lending a helping hand to a man who made everything short of the supreme sacrifice.

## Red Cross, Scovill To Entertain Blind Vets

As proven in the past, blind soldiers have little trouble on the dance floor and May 17 at the Waterbury Country Club should be no different when the Red Cross sponsored dance brings over 100 of them down from the Avon Farms center to meet the same amount of feminine companions from all parts of Waterbury. With the Red Cross in charge of getting the men to Waterbury and caring for the refreshment angle, the Scovill Production Drive Office group headed by John Madden and Gertrude Swirda are handling the orchestral arrangements as well as collecting the 100 girls from concerns all over the city. Entertainment will also be furnished by the Scovill group. In the past, most of the affairs for the veterans have been held at their rehabilitation center, but this is to be a featured treat. The Club donated its quarters for the affair.

## Snappy Slogans Push Safety Campaign

When the National Safety Council hit the air waves a while ago in interest of accident prevention, its slogan contest brought out more than 6,000 entries from the states and Canada. Indicative of the fact that listeners were truly interested in safety were some of the prize slogans submitted as: "Evade working-daze." "Don't stop work — stop work accidents." "Monkey business has no business in any business." "If you care to keep working—keep working with care." "The smartest thing in work clothes — a careful worker." "Wear safety shoes — or you'll foot the bill." "Know the hazards of your job — don't learn them by accident." Another contest on grade crossings produced this one — "Railroad crossings' greatest need: twice the caution, half the speed."

## List Of Classified Ads

### For Sale

Milking goats giving three quarts of milk a day, cheap; English saddle, \$15. Call Watertown 851. Manure, sold by the bushel. Call 3-6276. Standard make sewing machine, foot treadle model, \$35. Call 5-4888. Four rooms of furniture suitable for cottage. Call 3-5955 after 4. Ivory and green coal range in very good condition, reasonable; three pairs of blue satin drapes, fifty inches wide; two pairs of lace silk curtains; girl's dresses, skirts, coats, sizes 12-14; two pairs of ladies' dress shoes, luggage and black, size 7-A; one pair of black backless shoes, size 7-1/2A. Call 4-3421. Coal and gas Kalamazoo stove used only short while. Call 4-0351. Two large solid oak chairs; one long mahogany table, all for \$15. Call at 95 Wolcott Street. Used thermostat control complete for coal or coke; new oil water heater, reasonable. Call 4-2588. White porcelain Economizer ice box, 6 cubic foot. Call 4-7150 after 3. Whitney baby coach slightly used. Call 4-2426.

### Wanted To Buy

Car in good running condition. Call at 425 Willow Street — ask for Irene Jorgensen. Twin beds. Call 4-2838.

### Services

General trucking; manure and loam for sale; ashes and rubbish removed. Call 3-6276. Slip covers made to order. Call 3-6201. Curtains laundered. Call 3-4711. General trucking and tree trimming. Call 5-5574. Landscape Gardening: Planning, planting and pruning; can supply fruit trees, ornamental shrubs and evergreens. Call 5-2602.

Wash, simonize and clean cars. Call 4-1688 after 4 P. M. Domestic and Commercial refrigerator repair service. Call 4-8675.

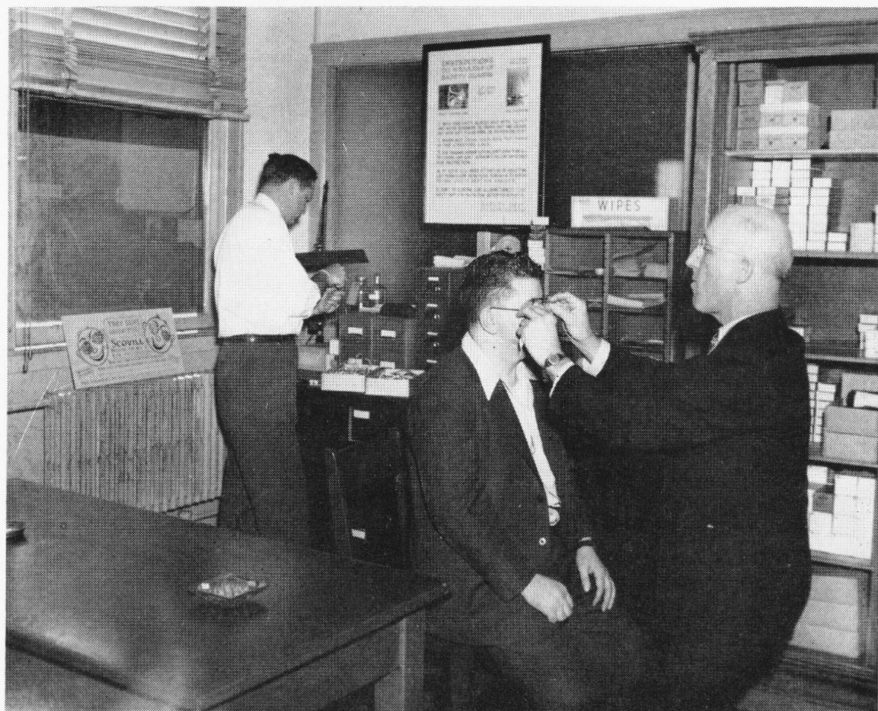
## Scovill Represented At Editors' Session

Before the National Council of Industrial Editors May 10-11 at Boston, Fred Wilson, Scovill Coordinator of Employee Activities, addressed the group on "Employee Attitudes and Activities," covering the recreational aspect as it should appear in a company newspaper. The convention included the editors and personnel representatives from almost every large industrial concern in the United States and Canada. David S. Moreland and Ronald T. Delaney attended the session with Mr. Wilson.

## Garden Guide Booklet Still Available

Scovillites by the hundreds have already taken advantage of the "Vegetable Garden Guide" offered free by the Company, the finest, briefest booklet on how to plan a garden, plant, care and get the largest crops. A note or call to THE BULLETIN will find yours in the mail. More than just an academic approach, the booklet gives every "how to do" on gardening, how to keep insects down, how two crops can be grown in a short season, even to growing vital food in flower patches still preserving the beauty. On the mechanical side, a complete, easy discourse is given on how to repair any tools and a graphed page that may be used for your garden plan.

## New "Personalized Service" In Safety



Usually when a safety device is added to a machine the fit is easy. But when doing the same for an employee in the way of safety glasses, everyone is treated with individual care if the glasses are to be of full benefit. Above, as the start of the Safety Department's new "personalized service," Walter Racicot gives careful consideration to the fitting of safety glasses on new employee Nicholas Iarrapino. This service will aim towards erasing the problem of poorly-fitted safety glasses.

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