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## Martin Connors Receives Award



Public recognition was given to Martin Connors, Scovill guard, for his quick thinking and action which were credited with saving the lives of eight workers at the cave-in of a canal alongside the Wire Mill last October.

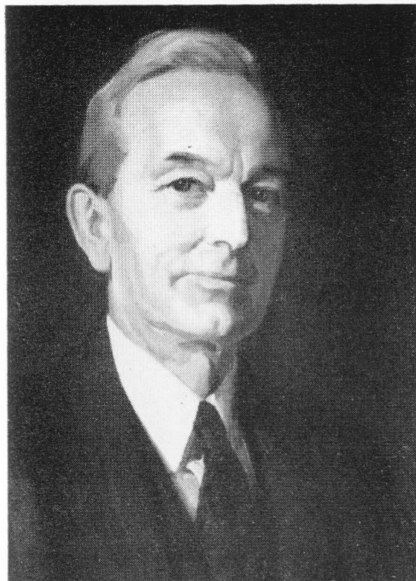
Recommended by the Waterbury Safety Council, the award was presented by the Exchange Club on Monday, March 20, at their meeting held in the Hotel Elton. Above, Marty receives the award from Program Chairman James Begnal as Club President Judge James P. Lawlor looks on.

## Retirement Of Three Announced

### John V. Montague

Assistant Treasurer and Comptroller JOHN V. MONTAGUE retired from active Scovill service on April 1, 1950. He has been with the Company for over thirty years.

A native Texan, Mr. Montague spent part of his boyhood and youth on the family ranch in Bandeira, Texas. He was graduated from St. Louis College, San Antonio. He played baseball at college and for several years after graduation and is still an ardent fan. His other outside interests include history, biology and geneology.



John V. Montague

Before coming to Scovill, Mr. Montague was Business Manager of the Consolidated Copper Mines in Kimberly, Nevada. Prior to that he was Comptroller and Treasurer of the Greene-Cananea Copper Company in Cananea, Mexico.

Mr. Montague came to Scovill as an auditor in 1919. In 1923 he became Assistant Comptroller and, in 1939, was named Comptroller. He has served as Assistant Treasurer of the Company since 1932.

### Joseph Cipriano

JOSEPH CIPRIANO, Cutting Room, has been added to the Special Retirement List effective February 13, 1950.

Mr. Cipriano was first hired in July, 1901, and worked intermittently until 1903 when his continuous service record started. He has served as a tool-setter in Cutting most of his years with the Company.

### Elizabeth Fenton

MISS ELIZABETH FENTON, Lipstick, has been placed on Special Retirement as of March 27, 1950.

Since coming to Scovill, Miss Fenton has spent most of her years of service in Lipstick. At the time of her retirement she was serving as an assembler in that department.

## Let's Not Be Fooled

The sea gull is one of Nature's most independent creatures. It maintains itself by its ability to get food from the sea, whether it be fish, scraps or waste. It survives the coldest of weather. It is self-reliant. But the welfare state can ruin even the sea gull, as it is and has those peoples who have accepted its phony promises of something for nothing.

St. Augustine, Florida, has been for many, many years a great center for shrimp fishing. During all those years its sea-gull population has lived off the refuse and wastes of the shrimp fleet. They have existed without effort on their part. They have given up their heritage of independence for the lure of something for nothing.

And now the shrimp fleet has left St. Augustine for more abundant fishing near Key West. The reefs and shores around St. Augustine are reported to be lined with sea gulls waiting for the return of free lunches. They apparently have lost the art of self-support. They sold their independence for fine promises.

What has happened to St. Augustine's sea gulls will happen to us if we accept the bait of something for nothing. Perhaps the sea gulls would now admit they made a mistake — but it's now too late for them. And with us it's later than we think.

*Alan C. Curtis*  
Vice-President

## New Assignments

The following notice of appointments has been received from Mr. J. F. Mulvey, Assistant Works Manager, Mills Division:

Effective March 27, 1950, Dominic Abbondandolo has been appointed Assistant Foreman, 1st shift, of the Breakdown area, Cont. Strip Mill.

Effective March 27, 1950, Joseph Butler has been appointed Assistant Foreman in charge of the 2nd shift, Continuous Strip Mill.

Effective March 27, 1950, Edward Nadolny has been appointed supervisor, 2nd shift, at the 2-Hi Mill, Continuous Strip Mill.

They will report to Mr. Kenneth Tingley, Assistant Superintendent of the Continuous Strip Mill.

## Renewing Driver's License

April 15 is the last day for you to get your application (both copies properly signed) and the \$3.00 to cover cost to the Employee Activities Office if you would like to have them pick up your 1950 Driver's License.

All drivers must have their Driver's License renewed by May 1, 1950.

## Good Friday Shutdown

The Main Plant will close for Good Friday at 7:00 a.m. April 7, and will reopen at 7:00 a.m. Monday, Apr. 10.

Employees regularly paid on Friday will be paid on Thursday, April 6.

The Waterville Division will be closed also on Good Friday.

## SERA Basketball Players City Champs



The SERA basketball players had an excellent season this year. They captured the City Championship title and went as far as the semi-final stage of the State Tournament when they were downed by Marlin, 66-39.

The boys who make up the SERA team in the IRA League are (kneeling, left to right):—Joe Rovero, Sam Andolina, Orkie Garlinski, Joe Begnal, Bernie Sherwill, Rocco Rinaldi and Frank Palladino. Standing are:—Chris Annes, Anthony Stankus, Tony Jacovich, John Casey, Coach Joe Joyce and Manager Jack Carrington. Ed Zaccaria and Jerry Beccia were absent for the picture.





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## Human Relations

Guest Writer—Walter J. Racicot

Have you ever been mentally upset, even angered because a fellow workman committed an uncourteous act? Some are more guilty than others in our lack of courtesy, but all of us are guilty to a certain extent. We could improve the day for those about us, without any sacrifice of our own by being courteous. In the final analysis of its purpose, courtesy becomes nothing more than consideration for the rights and privileges of others. When we are courteous, we are conceding to another individual the same rights and privileges we hope to have.

If you refuse the common decency of courtesy, tolerance, and consideration for those about you, you will find your own purposes and aims thwarted by the society to which you have helped contribute an attitude of intolerance, greed, and selfishness.

An honest appraisal of your acts will reveal your innermost thoughts. To live better with your fellowmen, start inside — begin analyzing your own viewpoints and your own reaction to those with whom you daily associate.

It is the outer man that acts; it is the inner man that exerts reason and the emotion to direct the act.

### Camera Club Briefs

A very interesting and educational film on the processing of nickel silver was shown to the Camera Club members at the March 23 meeting.

Chairman Walter Troske has announced that another lecture in the series on how to take pictures will be given at the April 13 meeting. These lectures are provided by the Eastman Kodak Company.

### Waterville Division

ELIZABETH M. SMITH, formerly of the Waterville Industrial Fastener Sales Office, was given a farewell party at the Colonnade Restaurant recently. BETTY was given china by her associates who wish her the best of luck. Her husband, JAMES SMITH, is employed in the Mill Production Office.

Members of the Waterville Division wish HELEN BEGNAL and HARRY HOETHKE happiness in their marriage which took place on March 18. HARRY is with the Slide Fastener Tool Room.

### It's A Great Day For The Irish



St. Patrick's Day was celebrated "in style" around the plant with shamrocks and "the Wearing of the Green" seen everywhere. Above, right, "Irishman" Joe Nocera of Merchandise Warehouse, shakes hands with a true son of Erin, Brian Madden of Packing B. Kay Flynn also of Packing B looks on.

## SAFETY SCORES A HOLE IN ONE EVERY TIME!



### Training Course

Thomas Alshuk graduated on Mar. 26 as a Wood Patternmaker. He has been assigned to Pattern Shop.



Gerald Bousquet graduated as a Plumber - Steamfitter Mar. 12. He has been assigned to the Pipe Shop.



Robert Cullen graduated March 19 as a Toolmaker. He has been assigned to the Mfg. Eyelet Tool Rm.



Henry Kachergis graduated as a Draftsman March 5. He has been assigned to Products Development.



Ray Palmer graduated March 26 as Toolmaker. He has been assigned to Chucking Tool Room.



Eugene Santalucia graduated as a Carpenter on March 5. He has been assigned to Carpenter Shop.



### Summer Leagues

Organization meetings will be held in the near future. All who expect to participate in the coming summer leagues should contact the Employee Activities Office soon.

### Yes, I Can See--

Again, safety glasses have saved eyes from almost certain destruction. Thanks to the glasses, and through his foresight in having them on, John St. John is at work after the experience of having molten metal splashed up toward his eyes.

Cases like this prove the wisdom of putting safety glasses on *before* starting jobs. Eye accidents are sudden and unexpected occurrences. So sudden that there is no time to turn away or even to blink an eye.

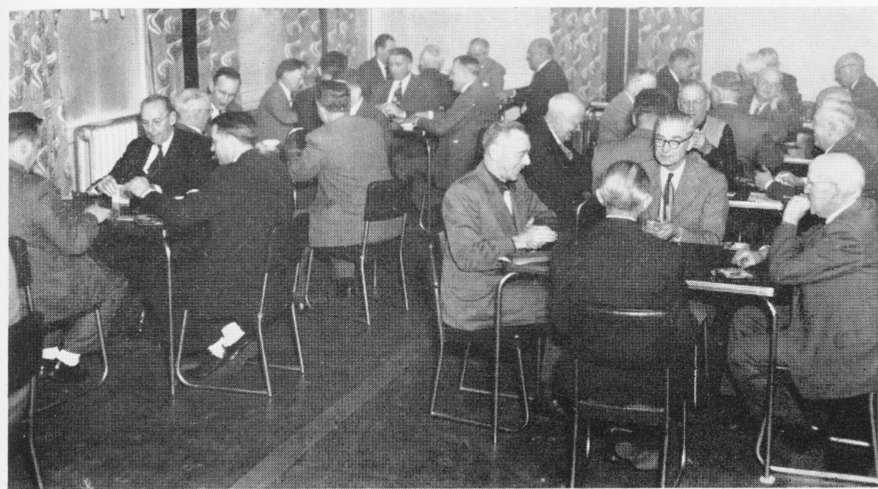
Whether it is molten metal, a chipping job, lathe work, acid, or any of the hundreds of situations which may cause injury to eyes, it's still a fact that the safety glasses must be *on*.



"Yes, I can see—thanks to my Safety Glasses," says John St. John of the Casting Shop. In his right hand, John holds the pair of safety glasses (or what's left of them) which stopped molten metal from striking his eyes.



## SERA Cribbage Men Win Tourney



On Tuesday, March 14, the Chase and Scovill men, shown above, met at the SERA Clubhouse for the final home-and-home cribbage tournament. Scovill defeated Chase by 241 points that evening and by 148 points when they played at the Chase Country Club, making them champs by a total of 389 points.

## Woodtick Gardens

Plots are now being assigned at Woodtick and the number plowed and harrowed will be determined by the number of people requesting them.

If you want one for the coming season, stop in at the Employee Activities Office at your earliest convenience. The fee for plowing and harrowing each plot is \$1.15, payable when you are assigned one.

Better get your reservation in early as after April 21, 1950, they will be given on a 1st come, 1st served basis.

## Life Out East

By Harry Shewbridge

The latest scuttlebutt says that SHERMAN HICKOX, who has been recuperating from a recent trip to the Waterbury Hospital, will be back and active again by the time this goes to press. It's been three weeks now since he walked out on us.

Congratulations are in order in the Slide Fastener Tool Room. HARRY HOETHKE and HELEN BEGNAL of the Waterville Division were married on the 18th of March. Happy days, you two!

Going from the sublime to the horrible, I would like to caution the Slide Fastener personnel to beware of snakes. THERESA CHARPENTIER found one on her desk under her elbow the other day. Maybe now she'll stop leaning on them!

And from the horrible to the ridiculous—an article about myself! At the request of those who witnessed the incident, I am inserting the following paragraph written by the unknown but undaunted ghost writer, JULIA McMANUS . . .

Quote—"For the enlightenment of puzzled passersby—those weren't setting-up exercises HARRY SHEWBRIDGE was performing in front of a bus in the Center last week. He was giving the driver directions to move the bus without crushing his hat which had blown underneath. HARRY claims that due to the skill of the driver, his property was retrieved undamaged, but with that hat, how could he tell!"—unquote.

Last but not least, our condolences to DON GARRICK of the Planning Department and DAN NARDOZZI of the Elevator Department who spent an hour and a quarter on the elevator between floors one day last week. One newspaper, one seat, cigarettes but no smoking, no ham sandwiches—just DON and DAN. What a horrible experience!

## Inter-Dept. Softball

Departments planning to have a team in the Inter-department Softball League this year are asked to appoint their managers and get their names in to the Employee Activities Office.

An organizational meeting will be held in the near future and all departments will be notified of the time and the place.



By Betty Young

Wishing everyone in Trim & Knurl a very Happy Easter!

Congratulations are in order for: FRANK RAGOZZINO who received his 25-year service pin recently — ALFONSO VELLA's daughter who gave birth to a baby boy—LOUIE RAGOZZINO who celebrated his birthday on St. Patrick's Day—PHILOMENA COLLELLA who also celebrated hers recently.

We're happy to see SOPHIE ZEMBRZUSKA back after her recent illness.

FRANKIE MARINARO was in the "big city" recently and took in the Pep and Famechon fight.

Now that Spring is here, Trim & Knurl is bursting with activities. HAROLD STAPLETON and LEO SMITH are getting the softball team together — BOB CURRIE just can't wait to go lawn bowling — BARBARA GEDRAITIS is looking forward to golfing—OZZIE MEYER is dying to get out and do some fishing — GIULIO CORDELLI can't get his garden started soon enough.

## Rod Mill Topics

By Dom Polo

Happy Easter to all you gals and boys! At least one in our department did St. Patrick's Day up right! BERT DILLON forgot to wear green on "the day" but later managed to get some and was quite a sensation!

Heard that JIM FRYER is trying his hand at painting and papering his apartment. Nice going, JIM! Jim retired several months ago and his friends send their best.

By the time this is in print, we all hope to see DENNY SHANAHAN back to work. DENNY has been out ill.

## Girls' Club News

By Dora Mori

All the Club members join me in wishing a very happy birthday tomorrow (April 4) to MRS. E. O. GOSS.

NELLIE NORKUS of B & F Sales has set the date of her wedding to Kastutis Dumcius for July 8 at St. Joseph's Church. The best of luck to both of you!

RITA CULHANE CONLON, formerly of Class A Production, recently became the proud mama of little Robert.

Paul Cleveland became a member of the JOSEPH FORD family on March 12. Paul's mother is the former MARION ROBINSON of the North Mill Office.

Happy birthday, MADALYN OSSWALT!

A belated welcome back to LORETTA DONAHUE of West Power after her recent illness!

The Girls' Club Bowling Banquet will be held at Hornbecker's on May 16. Secretary LOUISE LONGO and Treasurer ANNELEISE HUELSTER are now working hard toward its success.

While on the subject of bowling and ANNELEISE HUELSTER, friend ANN recently bowled 146 in the Girls' Club Bowling League. Needless to say, we are most happy to have her as a member of the Sales team!

The annual meeting of the Scovill Girls' Club will be held at the Clubrooms on April 17. Now is the time to get your favorite member on the Council. Just get your gang together and come to the meeting to cast your vote.

As stars receive Oscars, MURIEL HAM of Central File deserves a great big green shamrock for the wonderful way she upheld the St. Patrick's Day tradition. The most outstanding item in her attire was a knitted, kelly (what else!) green and white tie—plus a shamrock!

Quite a few familiar faces were seen enjoying the Providence College Glee Club at the Wilby Auditorium on St. Patrick's night. To name a few: JUANITA ADDESSIO, ANN BRENNAN, SUE GUARRERA, ELLEN McFARLAND, KAY McNALLY, LAURETTA PARENT and EVELYN PAOLONI.



Connecticut Blue Cross has, for many years, included X-Ray service in the Special Services which are available at member hospitals without charge during the basic 21-day hospital stay.

Members who are in-patients at any of the Connecticut Blue Cross member hospitals are entitled to receive full credit for X-Rays, provided the hospital is equipped to furnish such service and also that the X-Rays are necessary for treatment of the condition for which the patient was hospitalized.

X-Rays taken solely for diagnostic study are not covered.

## Service Awards

Fifty Years

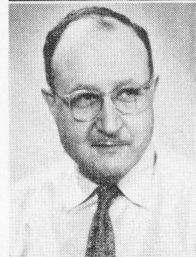


John Kenney  
B&F Prod. Office  
April 1, 1950

Twenty-Five Years



Wilfred Brodeur  
Chuckling  
March 21, 1950



Angelo Grasso  
Press 2  
March 26, 1950



Vincent Dubauskas  
E. Rolling Mill  
March 29, 1950



Andrew Podgaesky  
No. Mill Finish  
March 30, 1950



Joseph Penta  
Waterville  
March 22, 1950

Otto Telash  
Plating  
March 22, 1950

Ten Years

Thomas McGrath, Waterville, March 23; John Duigan, Trucking, March 25; Stanley Zawistowski, No. Mill Finish, and Anthony Lazdauskas, Casting, March 30; Gaetano Capaldo, No. Mill Rolls, April 2.

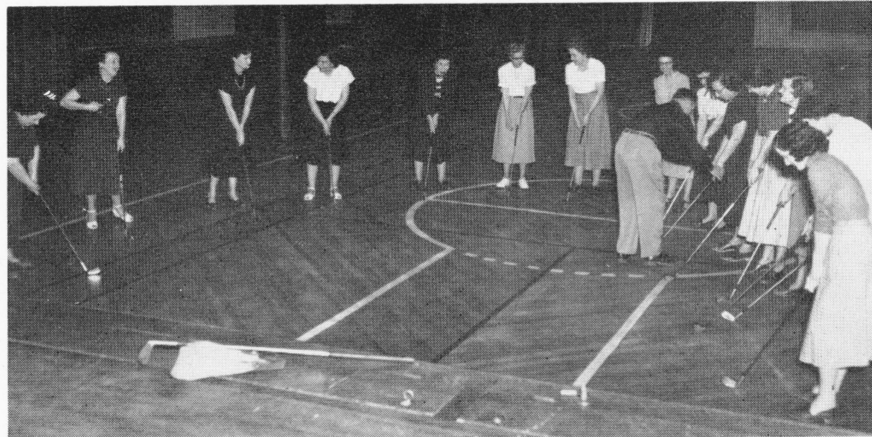
## Rod & Gun Club

The April meeting of the Scovill Rod & Gun Club will be held at the Woodtick Rifle Range on April 18 at 7:30 p.m. instead of 8 p.m.

President Ed DeBisschop plans to have refreshments and a fine program of sports movies.

All fishermen and gun enthusiasts should keep in mind that there will be many worthwhile prizes won in competition during the coming season in events for members of the Club. Have you paid your 1950 dues?

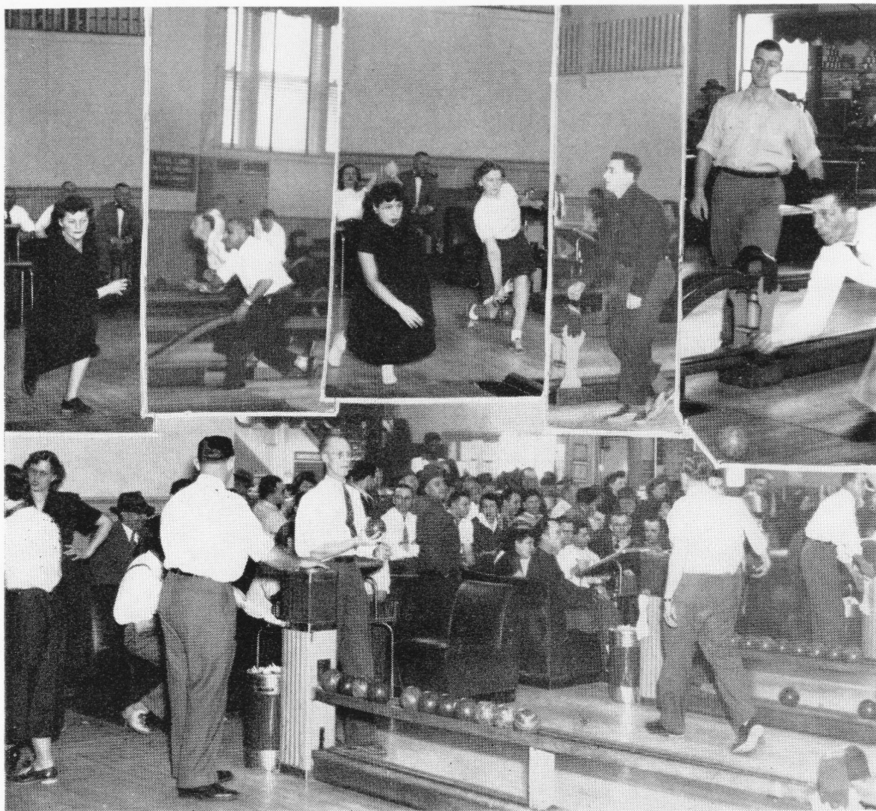
## Champion Golfers In The Making



At least forty Scovill gals will be out on nearby golf courses this year to prove "A Good Golfer is Made, Not Born". They have been attending classes of instruction at Doolittle Hall on Monday and Tuesday evenings under the direction of Frank Paul, local well-known golfer. Above, the Tuesday night group learns the first important step—the proper "grip".



## Sixth Annual SERA Sweepstake



The sixth annual bowling sweepstake for Scovill employees was held on Saturday afternoon, March 25, at Sena's Bowling Alleys on North Main Street. One hundred and sixty bowlers participated. Jean Ostroski of Insurance was chairman and Ruth Osborne of the Employee Activities Office was co-chairman.

### Class A High Three

1st—\$35.—George O'Meara  
2nd—\$15.—Marty Byrne  
3rd—\$10.—Joseph Montville  
**High Single**  
\$5.—Tom Chapman

### Class B High Three

1st—\$35.—August Kiesel  
2nd—\$15.—Joe Summa  
3rd—\$10.—Anthony Sconziano  
**High Single**  
\$5. Tie—Bernice Knickerbocker  
—Charles Summa  
—Frank Urniezus

### Class C High Three

1st—\$35.—Stacia Ostroski  
2nd—\$15.—Edward Kissel  
3rd—\$10.—Joan Pranulis  
**High Single**  
\$5.—John Vita

## IRA Rifle

The first Annual Individual Championship Shoot of the Waterbury IRA League was held at Templeton's Range on Sunday, March 26.

Members of the Scovill team put in a fine showing as evidenced by:

**1st Class** (Shooters with averages over 181):—Harold Slocum tied with Francis Robinson (Farrel Foundry) with 191. Fran edged out Harold for first place with his "offhand" of 46 to 44.

**2nd Class** (170-180 average):—Les Coley took second honors with 185.

**3rd Class** (150-170 average):—Newcomer Roland Garant took second place with a score of 176.

The ladies did alright too—in the Novice Class (below 150 average):—1st and 2nd place honors went to Pat Harris and Billie McKenna (both of Lux Clock Co.). The girls have been shooting about six weeks.

## Fishing Notes

By Jim Littlejohn

The SERA Fishing Committee has ordered 200 Brown Trout, 10" long, to be put into the pond at Woodtick. The fish will arrive some Saturday or Sunday morning in the near future so that Scovill fishermen will have an opportunity to see the fish go into the pond.

The lake is well-stocked with Pickerel, Perch, Bullheads, Black Bass, Calico Bass, etc.

Fishermen are asked to be good sports and see that all boats are kept clean and oars are put inside boats when through fishing. If left in the oar locks, they are apt to get broken.

Permits may be obtained from Caretaker Les Hart at Woodtick. A season permit is \$2, daily 25¢; cost of boat—50¢.

## Pinochle Tournament SERA Wins Annual Contest

The SERA Pinochle Team defeated their Chase Company opponents in the 1949 annual home-and-home contests, which were held recently by a total score of 5,930 points.

The first contest, held at the Chase Country Clubhouse on March 21, saw Scovill the winners by 485 points. Scores for the evening were: Scovill—68,560; Chase—68,075. Scovillites John Matulunas and Erv Honyotski were high men for the evening with a total of 7,705 points.

The return match was played at the SERA Clubhouse on March 28. The Scovill men again took the lead—beating their opponents by 5,445 points. Scovill totaled 71,695 and Chase, 66,250.

Archie Hollywood and Francis Holihan, both of the Scovill Waterville Division, were high men for the evening with 7,715 points.

## Classified Ads

(These ads are published as a free service to all Scovill employees. They are to be submitted in writing or brought in to the Bulletin Office. Telephone calls for ads cannot be accepted. Written ads must bear employee's name, department name and check number. The deadline for all ads is the Wednesday noon preceding the issue date.)

### FOR SALE

Westinghouse refrigerator, very good condition. Call 3-4018.

1941 Chrysler club coupe, radio and heater, 5 new white wall tires. Call 3-9321.

DeLuxe model kitchen oil burner with oven for light house cooking, white enamel with black trim, \$35; all steel frame, 32" cordwood saw with attachments, \$40. Call Wtn. 929, mornings.

Dressmaker's form, size 9-14; low black riding boots, never worn, size 6½, reasonable. Call 5-5838.

Large brown parlor coal stove. Call 5-2450.

1935 Studebaker, new tires, reasonable. Call 4-8136.

Collie puppies, 5 months old, sable and white, A.K.C. registered. Call Wtn. 856.

Lawn chairs. Call at 79 Highland Ave. or 3-8039.

Thayer baby carriage, good condition, \$15; light collapsible baby carriage, good condition, \$5; baby scale, almost new, \$2. Call Cheshire 2525.

Set of lady's golf clubs, 5 irons, 3 woods, \$15. Call 5-4425 after 5:30 p.m.

Taylor tot, practically new, \$6. Call Lucy at ext. 2258.

28" balloon-tire bicycle, good condition, \$15; apartment-size Spartan refrigerator, 5 cu. ft., \$20. Call Bristol 9365.

Keystone movie camera, 16 mm, equipped with screen, tripod, flood lights, filters, shade, light meter, projector; outboard motor, 3½ HP; baby carriage. Call at 294 Walnut St., 1st floor.

Hamsters. Call 4-8925.

Portable Motorola television set, 7½" screen with magnifier, \$115. Call 4-1715 after 6 p.m.

Gray Premier combination gas and oil Kitchen range, excellent for cottage, \$49; large size white kitchen cabinet with porcelain counter, reasonable. Call 5-5303.

Innerspring mattress for double bed, \$5. Call 3-6961 evenings.

Lot in Fairlawn, 50 x 115, near bus and school, all improvements. Call 3-7779.

Pedigree wire haired fox terrier, 3 years old. Call 4-6483.

Two-piece living room set; child's doll carriage. Call 5-0017.

Coolerator icebox in good condition. Call 3-7659 after 5 p.m.

Registered pedigree dachshund, female, 2 years old, \$60. Call 3-0521.

### RENT WANTED

Lake front cottage for season, second lake at Hitchcock preferred. Call 3-4211 after 6 p.m.

### FOUND

Pearls in the West Plant; man's leather gloves near the Hayden Street bus stop. Call ext. 345.

### WANTED TO BUY

Row boat in good condition. Call Bristol 8801 nights or 8996 days.

### OTHER

Odd jobs done in spare time, evenings and weekends. Call 4-0386.

## Three Men Die

John DeSantis

JOHN DESANTIS, retired, died on March 15, 1950.

Mr. DeSantis had a continuous service record of forty-two years when he was retired on August 5, 1946. He had always been a Wire Mill man and spent most of his years there as an inspector.

James Judd

JAMES JUDD, retired, died on March 18, 1950.

Mr. Judd came to Scovill in 1917 and had served the Company continuously for twenty-seven years when he was retired in 1944. All of his years here were spent in the Casting Shop.

Frank Zappone

FRANK ZAPPONE, Steam Department, died on March 26, 1950.

Mr. Zappone, coming to Scovill in October, 1926, served as a fireman in the Steam Department during his years here. In November of this year he would have completed twenty-four years of continuous Company service.

## SERA Runnerup For Championship



At the end of the season, Scovill is runnerup for the championship in the IRA Rifle League. American Brass is in first place.

On the last night of shooting, on March 8, SERA defeated Waterbury Companies and American Brass by one point each.

SERA shooters for this season are shown above (kneeling, left to right):—Allan Steel, Al Sherry, Dick Rosengrant and Francis Minicucci. In back are:—Les Coley, Jr., Ben Blake, John Degnan and Harold Slocum. Harold Henriksen was not available when the picture was taken.

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