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50-Year, 40-Year Service Records



President L. P. Sperry recently presented awards to one employee with 50 years of continuous service, and two employees with 40 years' service each.

Top: Ernest Candee of Estimating (second from right) received his 50-year award with Mfg. Vice-president H. W. Wild, Tool & Develop. Supt. W. H. Machin and Foreman J. R. Wolff in attendance.

Center: Charles Clemente, Dip Room (second from left) accepts his 40-year award. Asst. Factory Supt. R. E. Johnson, Foreman R. M. Lobraico and Factory Supt. J. G. Wolff look on.

Bottom: Fred Cramer, Tool Room No. 1 (second from right) admires his 40-year pin. On hand were Foreman Charles Paul and Mr. Machin.

Junior Achievement Award Winner Sponsored, Advised by Schrader

Miss Clara Haus and Henry V. Hahn, both of A. Schrader's Son Div., are quite proud of the award recently presented to "Plexico" by the New York Financial Writers Association.

"Plexico" is a company of seven Brooklyn high school girls who manufactured and sold plastic jewelry under the sponsorship of A. Schrader's Son Division of Brooklyn.

Junior Achievement is a nationwide program established by business, educational and civic leaders. It organizes groups of young people between the ages of 15 and 21 into miniature companies of their own. It teaches what it means to own, manage and work for a business enterprise. It gives boys and girls experience in record keeping, producing and selling goods or service,

paying and receiving wages, using capital.

Miss Haus (Accounts Receivable) and Mr. Hahn (Accounting) acted as advisors to Plexico and have reason to be proud of the award—Plexico was selected as the best entry after the annual reports of 108 teen-age companies in Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn and Port Chester were analyzed to find the best for each Junior Achievement center.

Mr. S. T. Williams, Vice-president of Schrader's, together with the two advisors, represented the company at the luncheon held in the Waldorf-Astoria at which time the award was presented to Dorothy Jacommara, 16-year old president of Plexico.

Can Government Action Reduce The Cost Of Living?

(Courtesy of the American Economic Foundation, N. Y.)

It is natural for politicians to promise us what we want, and at the moment it is natural for all of us to want lower prices.

So we see many of the candidates for political office promising major or minor miracles which will supposedly lower the cost of living.

In some cases the candidates probably know no better; in other cases, they do.

But in any case, the idea that there is some magic formula that will lick inflation overnight is a dangerous one.

It is dangerous because Americans might demand that the Government attempt it.

It might even result in another disastrous fling at price and wage controls.

But on all sides we hear the cry "something must be done about the cost of living".

That is a good idea, but before we decide what the "something" is, we must know why the cost of living has gone up.

It isn't a simple matter, but it can be understood by all of us if we apply our minds to the principle involved: there is too much money in the country and as long as it stays with us, prices cannot go down very far or very fast.

We have had an enormous increase in our supply of spending money, without a corresponding increase in the supply of goods and services on which we spend it.

To be specific, in 1933 the money supply of the United States was about \$38 billion; today it is about \$180 billion.

We increased our money supply 4-1/2 times, while our production was going up relatively little.

And whenever there is an increase in the supply of money without a corresponding increase in the supply of things for sale, prices must go up.

In order to lower prices, one of two things must happen: either the pro-

duction must grow up to the money supply, or the money supply must be cut down to the supply of goods.

If we are realistic, we must admit that neither of these things is going to happen quickly.

The money got into our economic system through what is called "deficit spending" or "monetizing public debt."

Put more simply, it is legal for the Federal Government to place U. S. bonds in checking banks and (not actually, but to all practical purposes) have the bank manufacture and turn over to Government additional money in the amount of the bonds.

This money is spent by the Government and goes into circulation in the form of checks.

The principle difference between this checkbook money and greenbacks is that the Government must pay the banks interest on the checkbook money.

But what concerns us most at the moment is that this money stays in circulation until it is redeemed with money taken from the people in the form of taxes.

We know of no money expert who has the slightest notion that the \$142 billion that has been pumped into the economy is going to be pumped out in any great amounts at any time in the near future.

We are stuck with it, and we might as well face the facts.

What are the facts?

1st: our cost of living is not going to go down very much or very fast.

2nd: it will go down only as our production goes up.

3rd: if we have any more wage increases that are not accompanied by production increases, prices will go up still higher.

Any administration that does not tell us that our only good chance for relief lies in more production, simply is not telling us the truth.

Suggestions Pay Dividends



Carl Wester (left) accepts congratulations of Press 2 Foreman Martin Lawlor on the receipt of an additional award of \$75.00 for his prize-winning suggestion.

In April, 1950, Carl was awarded a top prize of \$75. by the Industrial Improvement Committee. A follow-up of his suggestion some months later determined further savings, and he was awarded an additional \$75.

The Industrial Improvement Committee meets once a month and is glad to hear from all employees with suggestions. So send them in, you too may receive dividends.



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Swimming Casualties

The papers for the past three or four weeks have carried many stories of swimming fatalities. A few of these stories were about adults, and most of the adult casualties were due to boating accidents. Nearly all of the swimming accidents concerned children—many of tender years.

Why do we have to have so many of our young people drown? Waterbury has many swimming areas that are protected by Lifeguards. Waterbury also has many swimming areas where young people are taught to swim. Why not take advantage of these facilities and keep your children away from un-guarded waters. Too many stories are told of children wandering to deep waters with no chaperons.

The care of children is the responsibility of parents 24 hours a day the year around. So, parents, why not start right now and pledge that your children who cannot swim will not be left alone.

By so doing, you can help in reducing the death toll from swimming, which seems to be with us every summer.

A "Salty" Tale?

By Walter J. Racicot

With the onset of hot humid weather, the Safety & Health Dept. receive requests for salt tablets from office locations and light job operations.

Salt tablets are not cure-alls for hot weather and should be used only by those whose jobs cause them to perspire excessively.

Office workers and people on light operation jobs can replenish the salt supply in their body by adding a little more salt in their food at mealtime. If you take more salt than your body requires, an upset stomach may result.

The salt tablets being dispensed throughout the Main Plant and Waterville Division are enteric coated and should not be chewed, but swallowed whole with plenty of water.

Rod & Gun Club

By Jim Littlejohn

A couple of our Club members had a good catch but neglected to measure their fish with the Caretaker so they probably lost out on winning \$3 each. John Smith of the Stamp Room had a nice Calico Bass which measured 15½" and weighed three pounds. Emile Kazmaier of Mfg. Tool caught a 23½" Pickerel. Next time have the Caretaker measure them!

The latest on turtles—Les Hart put his hand up a water pipe which seemed full of rubbish. He pulled out a scratched hand. Good thing the turtle didn't back in, Les!

Don't forget the special Rod & Gun Club fishing contest on July 28.



Survival Under Atomic Attack

No. 12 — What About Ground and Water Bursts?

Bursts on or near the ground usually will leave a limited area of rather heavy and often dangerous pollution near the explosion point.

In such cases, the possibility of harm from radioactivity falling out of the clouds is greater than in high-level explosions. But even so, a person could escape contamination by simply taking refuge inside a house or even by getting inside a car and rolling up the windows. Even if some of the wastes fell on him, he would lessen his chances of injury if he promptly shed his clothes and took a bath or shower.

Underwater A-bombs produce serious lingering radiation.

In underwater explosions, large portions of the bomb's radioactive wastes will be "trapped" by the water and then spread over the immediate area. Under these conditions, serious ground pollution is to be expected.

After a water or underground burst, a cloud of very radioactive mist or dust might form and spread, particularly downwind, injuring people who weren't well sheltered.

Stay under cover for at least an hour after ground or underwater bursts.

If the explosion has been underground, at ground level, or in the water, stay in your shelter. If caught in the open, get indoors right away.

Then stay indoors for at least an hour or until you get instructions. It may be necessary to stay inside for three or four hours.

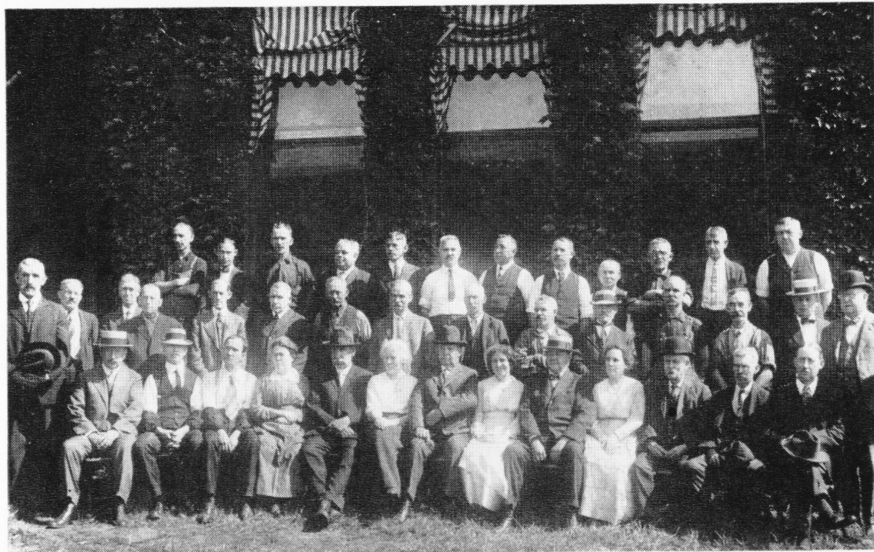
The reason for this is that most lingering radioactivity loses its power very fast. So staying undercover for a while will greatly reduce the danger.

Avoid getting wet after underwater bursts.

Any rain or mist that comes right after an atomic explosion should be considered dangerous, even though it may not always be radioactive. Keep from getting wet if you possibly can.

And remember that an *air burst* will leave *no* lingering radioactivity of importance, so after a few minutes it will be safe to get out and help fight fires or to help people who may need it.

Old-Time Album--Our Waterville Kin



Recognize any of these old-timers? They're part of our Waterville Div. way back when. That's Frank Regis in the back row, fifth from the right. Frank may have been retired in 1923 and may be 89 years old now but he says he can still keep up with the young fellows. He has just helped to build his lovely six-room home on Edgewood Avenue and is now doing the landscaping!

N. Guertin and Son



Noella Guertin, of the Solder Room, poses proudly with soldier son, Raymond, who was home recently on leave from Fort Bliss, Texas.

Press No.2 Notes

There was plenty of activity at the department's picnic on June 9.

The delicious food was served by chief cook and bottle washer Jack Galgot who was ably assisted by Jack Butler.

Neil would be a good card player if he'd keep the cards up his sleeve without showing. Jim Foley was bocci champ while George Piercy took horseshoe honors.

We all enjoyed having Lillian Faxon, Nellie Lyons, Betty Corbett and John Jones as our guests.

Laundry Service For Venetian Blinds



Left: Isaac Pacquette spray-rinses a venetian blind after its washing. The handy five-foot tank was made by the Tinsmith Department.
Right: Harold Moore replaces slats after putting in new tapes.

Even as at home, venetian blinds around the plant must be taken down and cleaned occasionally. In Scovill,

Training Topics

Have you noticed the young man with the bright red hair in the Training Room? He's Frank LaChance, a newcomer.
Bill Christensen who left Training Room #2 to enter the Army is now attending Allied Institute of Technology in Chicago. Bill was among 200 men to take a competitive exam at camp. The first 20 men with high grades were sent to school and Bill was among them.
Joe Labutis is now with Sl. Fast. Tool Design. He has aspirations of becoming a famous draftsman.
Ed Stukshis of East Machine picked up quite a tan on his recent vacation.
It's a toss-up as to who weighs the most — Bill Behlman of the Training Room or Al Klobedanz of East Machine. Each claims the honor but we'd need a scale to prove it!

Although Ronald Jurzyk entered the Training Course recently, he should feel right at home. His father (Stanley) and grandfather (Francis Mulville) are both Scovill men.

Backing Into Trouble



Old stuff, this warning about backing into trouble? Just a few days ago one of our employees walked backwards into a hole 15 feet deep which he was helping to fill with dirt.
Don't walk backwards unless you absolutely have to. If you do, take a look at where you are going. You may be surprised (as people usually are) when someone sets a "trap" as posed above.

our Sanitation Department has been handling this special type of "laundry service". Since last January, over 300 blinds have been serviced.

They are picked up, cleaned, reconditioned and returned within a day's time. At home, blinds may be cleaned in the bathtub; Sanitation does the job in a five-foot tank which was made by our Tinsmith Department. Blinds which are too long to fit in this tank are washed in a regular trough sink. They are washed with a hand swab and detergent cleaner solution, spray-rinsed, air dried and then returned to their proper locations.

Prolonging the life of a blind, tapes and cord are replaced when necessary. A thin film of oil lubricant applied to the ratchets and cord pulleys give a clean, smooth operating blind.

GI Joe Finds God

(Personal acquaintance with God becomes more real when unobscured by convention procedures. This poem reveals one man's experience.)

"Look, God, I have never spoken to You
But now, I want to say, 'How do You do,'
You, God, they told me You didn't exist,
And like a fool I believed all this.

Last night from a shell hole I saw Your sky,
I figured right then they'd told me a lie;
Had I taken time to see what You made,
I'd have known they weren't calling a spade a spade.

I wonder, God, if You'd shake my hand;
Somehow I feel You will understand.
Funny I had to come to this hellish place
Before I had time to see Your face.

Well, I guess there isn't much more to say,
But I am glad, God, I met You today;
I guess the zero hour will soon be here,
But I'm not afraid since I know You're near.

The signal—Well, God, I'll have to go,
I like You lots; this I want You to know.
Look now, this will be a horrible fight—
Who knows, I may come to Your house tonight.
Tho I wasn't friendly to You before,
I wonder, God, if You'd wait at the door.
Look, I'm crying. Me, shedding tears!
I wish I'd known You these many years."
—Employment Counselor

Ten-Year Awards

JOHN WILLIAMS, North Mill, July 2; MICHAEL MORAN, Plant Protection, July 3; STELLA RAMANAUSKAS, Packing B, July 4; CLARA RABTOY, Chucking, July 5.
VINCENT VOLPE, Lacquer, July 6; STANLEY MIS, Slide Fastener Tool, JENNIE HUDIMA, Closing, July 8; EDWARD CLAFFEY, Mfg. Eyelet, INEZ GRENIER, Lacquer, July 11.
PETER MacMILLIN, North Mill, ORRIN HUBBARD, Button Tool, July 12; ROBERT FAIRCHILD, Electrical Testing Lab, July 14; FRANCIS DeSANTIS, Drill & Tap, WILLIAM ARSENUK, Carpenter Shop, July 15.

Life Out East

By Harry Shewbridge

A word to the wise should be sufficient. Clover is in bloom. Bees like clover. Barefoot children (and adults) are apt to step on bees. Bees bite. Last week in my neighborhood there were six bites in five families. Keep your shoes on, Lucy.

Speaking of shoes, I understand Danny Nardozi (18 Elevator) has been taking lessons from Ernie Poirier (same elevator) in the art of horseshoeing. Danny holds the horse's tail while Ernie puts on the shoes. Danny, by the way, hit the trail the week of the Fourth for a vacation at his summer home, The Silver Swan. He'll be holding open house every night as usual.

They tell me that golf-fever is spreading rapidly through ASMD and that even Catherine Heary has been seen dashing around the Municipal Golf Course. Catherine they say, plays under the professional name of Patty Berg. Which reminds me. A reliable source informs me that Johnny Carolan is on the block to be farmed out to some bush golf league. Tony Laudate just can't afford the luxury of having him as a partner much longer.

Remember that story I wrote about the golf match a few weeks ago? Well, at last, here is a picture I took of the participants. Reading from left to right, the two resting are Billy Rotella and Emile Rochon; the three leaning above are Walther Hoethke, Tony Laudate and Paul Wislocki.



As far as vacations go, I could write about the various trips everyone seems to be taking, but I won't. I'll just mention one, and then merely to say that Arlene (our mail girl) is spending her vacation at Culvermere in the Kitten-inny Mountains at Branchville, N. J. and if you know where that is, you're a better man than I am, Gunga Din!

Finally, a few notes about the Slide Fastener Dept. Shirley Koval, the time-keeper, has been with us quite often lately. She's like sunny weather — you never know when to expect it, but it's sure nice to have around. And among the missing has been Johnny Bresnahan. He went fishing in New Hampshire by way of Virginia. It wasn't easy, but he did it. On the second shift, my gal Friday (Lillian Fitzgerald) has left us by now, I'm afraid. I hope she appointed someone else to take her place in passing on the good news. As a final bit, she offers the following:

George O'Connell, who left us recently, is making out well in his new job. Helen Riley is taking some time out. Joe Rinaldi is out sick, Marion Bernier is leaving and, Florence Malenfant has left. However, Marie Botella and Eleanor McBride are back on the job again, which makes most people happy.
And so to Lillian Fitzgerald, good luck and best wishes from all of us.

Service Awards

Fifty Years



Ernest Candee
Estimating
July 10, 1951

Forty Years



Frederick Cramer, Jr.
Tool Room #1
July 10, 1951

Twenty-Five Years

Sestilio Gilardi
Tube Mill
July 4, 1951



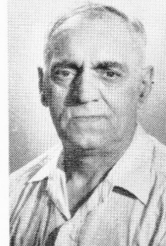
Oscar Delage
North Mill Finish
July 11, 1951



Lewis Curtis, Jr.
Works Mgrs. Ofc.
July 12, 1951



Joseph Dauphinais
North Mill Rolls
July 12, 1951



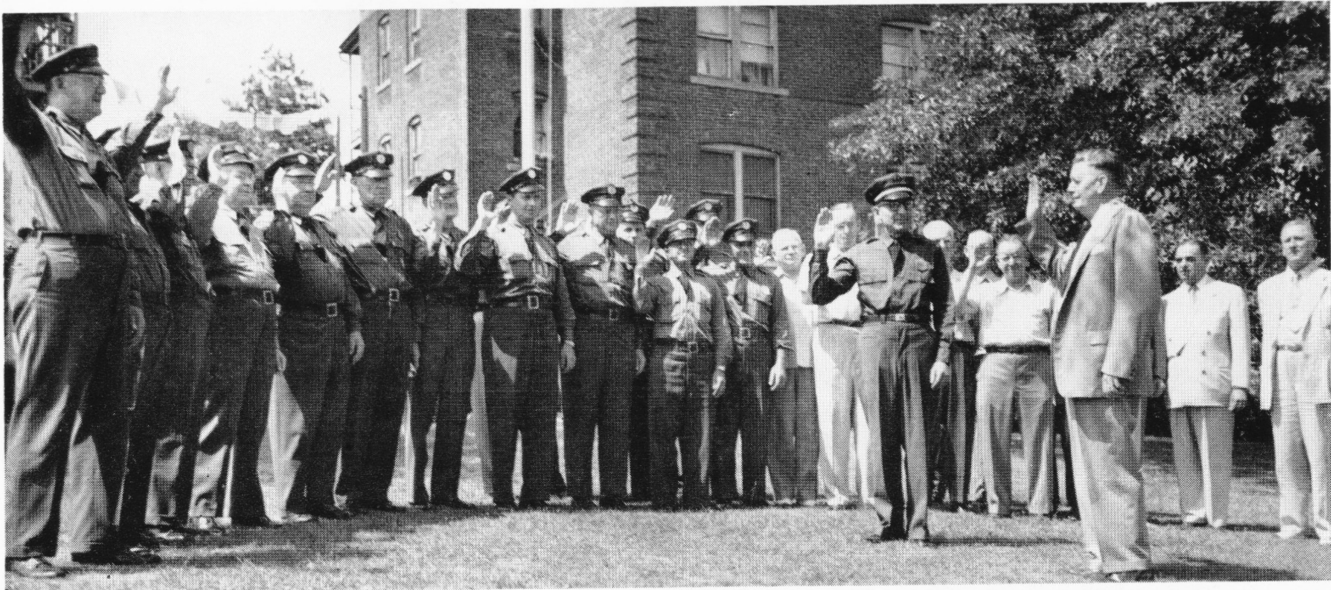
Stanley Ziminsky
Casting Shop
July 13, 1951



Woodtick Picnics

If you're planning to have an outing at Woodtick this summer, better get your reservation in to the Employee Activities Office (ext. 834) soon.
Available dates for department or group picnics are:
July 21, 22, 29.
August 4, 5, 11, 17, 26.

Scovill Guards Sworn-In As Special Deputy Sheriffs



Scovill guards renewed their oath as special deputy sheriffs on Thursday, July 5. Newly-elected High Sheriff James P. Redding accepted the oath on the Green opposite the main office. That's Chief Robert W. Aitchison standing in front of Sheriff Redding.

Left to right: Sergeant Timothy Lawlor, P Cronin, W. Maher, T. Murphy, J. McCue, M. Boyd, M. Ryan, T. Murphy, E. Fox, L. Cole, T. Dell, S. Cocchiola, W. Flynn, J. Luddy, J. Hayes, J. Arnold, and H. Gallagher and, Deputy High Sheriff R. Mara, Sheriff A. Francis.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

1929 Buick in excellent condition; 1946 Harley-Davidson, model 74, windshield and accessories, excellent condition. Call 4-3932 evenings.

Lot with cellar dug, \$450. Is near school and bus and is three minutes from Hitchcock Lake, Wolcott. Call 3-8728.

Painter's rope and pulleys, saddle irons, roof hooks, good condition. Call 3-9122.

Children of All Ages Need Homes, Parents

Connecticut agencies are looking for good adoption homes for children who have lost their own homes and who need the advantages of normal family life.

There aren't many babies—not nearly enough to go around to all who want them. And the few that are available are rarely placed with middle-aged couples because experience has shown that it just isn't practical to do that.

Boys and girls from two to twelve years are obtainable by families who have the qualifications for foster parenthood—stable, mature people, able and willing to give a child the love and care he needs.

For the most part, these children represent a cross section of average American childhood and fit best in average middle-income homes. Many of them will not aspire to a college education but there is every indication that they will grow up to be a source of pride and comfort to their foster parents and an asset to their communities.

Persons who would like to know more about these older boys and girls may contact their local child placing agencies, or communicate with the State Division of Child Welfare, State Capitol, Hartford.

1948 Pontiac DeLuxe station wagon with hydromatic drive, radio and heater, seven tires, excellent condition; large Frigidaire in excellent condition — could be used for small restaurant, lunch room or cottage. Call 5-9950.

1947 four-door Plymouth sedan with new seat covers, driven 30,000 miles. Call 5-7032 after 6 p.m.

Four-piece walnut bedroom set with spring and mattress if desired, \$35. Call 3-4791.

New Royal portable typewriter. Call Naugatuck 5345.

6 cubic foot refrigerator in good running condition, \$35. Call 5-0386 after 6 p.m.

1941 Frigidaire in good condition. Call Naugatuck 5959.

Kroll crib with "Can't Wet" mattress, \$25. Call Naugatuck 6067.

Three registered female Beagle pups. Call at 479 Hill St. or 6-0865.

1937 six cylinder Oldsmobile coupe with heater, fog lights, fair tires, is clean and in good running condition. Call 5-9838.

1946 Blackstone automatic washer in good condition, reasonable. Call 3-6866 or call at 299 Oak St., 2nd floor.

Oil burner which will heat three or four rooms. Call at 86 Wolcott St., 2nd floor.

Boy's 28" bicycle with speedometer and lights, good condition, \$30. Call 4-8100 from 6 to 7 p.m.

Maytag washing machine with large cast aluminum tub, used two years, like new, \$100. Call 5-1328.

Large capacity aluminum collapsing clothes reel; wheelbarrow with hard rubber tire, \$9. Call ext. 2140.

1934 Ford station wagon in good running condition, \$85. Call 3-4070.

White New Zealand rabbits, reasonable; miscellaneous household and garden articles. Call 3-2041.

WANTED TO BUY

Either an outdoor chute, swing, wagon or table and chairs for a child. Call Southington 1434J.

Child's car, suitable for 3-year-old. Must be in good condition. Call 3-8369 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

TENANTS WANTED

Room for gentleman. Call 4-7875.

Five-room furnished cottage for the last two weeks in July at Point Beach, Milford. Call 3-5692 after 5 p.m.

FOUND

Fountain pen found in yard near Metals Research. Call ext. 345.

Three Succumb

WALTER BELL, retired, died on June 23, 1951.

Mr. Bell had 27 years of continuous Company service when he retired on July 22, 1945. He had been in the Tube Mill for over 20 years. At the time of his retirement, he was serving as a saw sharpener.

LORENZO FUSCO, Chucking, died on June 27, 1951.

Mr. Fusco first came to Scovill on April 5, 1920, but due to several periods away from the plant, his continuous service record started in 1933. Since 1942, he had been a floorman in Chucking.

MARY SHIELDS, Mfg. Stores Records, died on July 7, 1951.

Miss Shields had been with Mfg. Stores Records for the past 43 years which is also her continuous service record. At the time of her death, she was secretary-stenographer to Mr. Frey.

Jimmy Pandolfe Heads For California



"Good bye and good luck," were the sentiments expressed by his friends and co-workers in Gripper Eyelet recently. Jim Pandolfe, who is now attending an aeronautical mechanics school in California, was feted by the gang during their lunch period and was presented a purse and that good-looking cake.

Girls' Club News

By Dorothy Bernier

Hello, There

Welcome to our new members Phyllis DiGiovanni (Slide Fastener) and Helen Hoethke (Waterville).

Vacations

There's a special air of gaiety around the departments these days. Vacation-time is here and everyone you meet is just going or just coming back. For instance—

Margaret Connelly (B & F Production) is relaxing at Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire. Alice Baker (Process Engineering) is going to drive down to Pennsylvania to visit her family. Peg Phelan (B & F Sales) will see the Yankees play the Red Sox at Boston and will then motor down to Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

The Duffy twins, Hazel and Helen, drove up to York State to enjoy the Rose Festival. Enjoying Connecticut's own vacation spots will be Helen Slager (Screw Machine Products) down at Indian Neck. Margaret Rietdyke (CTO) is planning to drive down to New London for a few days to visit relatives. Rona Pierpoint and Josephine Turro (Slide Fastener) will motor down east to the Cape for two weeks.

Marguerite Muroff, (General Stores) is also headed for Cape Cod but via the track at Narragansett. Sara Fitzpatrick (Metals Research) plans to do her relaxing at home. Dorothy Poeltl, (Mechanical Engineering) arranged her vacation to coincide with a certain furlough from Ft. Benning. Happy vacations to all!

Wedding Bells

Ann Dunphy (North Mill) became Mrs. Joseph Beaudette on June 30. Last we heard, the newlyweds were motoring to Illinois and Wisconsin.

Coming Events

Red-letter July 31 on your calendars! That's the night we plan on attending the "pops" concert at Yale Bowl—Gershwin music will highlight the evening. If you can join us, please return your reservation to the Bulletin Office as soon as possible (deadline is July 20) so we may complete arrangements. If the group is large enough, we'll hire a bus and go en masse — it's more fun that way!

Special Flash!

Congratulations to Dora Mori (Waterbury Sales) who became an aunt for the first time. Understand that the baby and aunt are doing well.



Robert P. Dickey, Chucking Tool
Donald H. McCullough, Sl. Fast. Design
Raymond J. Palmer, Chucking Tool
Howard F. Walsh, Sl. Fast. Design

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