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368 Employees Now On Active Duty With Uncle Sam's Armed Forces

The number of employees from Portsmouth Works now on active duty with our armed forces was increased to three hundred and sixty-eight with the departure of twenty employees during March.

Since the war began, four hundred and forty employees have answered their country's call for military service, however, seventy-two of these received honorable discharges and have returned to their work at the plant.

Those leaving for service in March were: Elmer P. Adams, laborer in Department 17; Paul D. Adams, scrap burner at the Open Hearth; Thomas J. Arthurs, helper in the Nail Mill; Lester Breech, laborer in the Wire Galvanizing; Noah L. Brown, line changer in the Barrel Shop; Earl Frasher, helper in the Brick Mason Department; William D. Gove, inspector in Department 17; Dudley G. Hall, unassigned laborer; James C. Havens, helper in the Mechanical Department; William C. Holbrook, mason in the Brick Mason Department; Edward C. Hunt, hopper

man at the Coke Plant; Fred Hieneman, laborer in the Yard Department; Albert M. McGune, helper in the Brick Mason Department; Alva Pack, unassigned laborer; Delmas Phillips, laborer in the Open Hearth; Elmo Purdy, inspector; Acel Stone, switchman in the Yard Department; Robert A. Vulgamore, assistant steel analyst at the Chemical Laboratory; Everett Vest, laborer in the Barrel Shop and Earl W. Weaver, laborer in the Nail Mill.

Curtis Murphy returned to his job in the Open Hearth and Joseph B. Mason returned to his job in the Yard after receiving honorable discharges from the Army in March.



W. I. DAVIS

Patrolman At Plant Retires After Many Years of Service

With the retirement of W. I. Davis on April 8, Portsmouth Works lost another of its few remaining old-timers. When the old Burgess Steel and Iron Works was rebuilt at New Boston following the fire of 1897, Bill started to work in the new plant as a pipe fitter helper and was employed in various capacities until 1913 when he was appointed Marshall of New Boston.

For seven years Bill served the community as marshal, doing a swell job and making many friends. In 1920 he returned to the mill as a patrolman and has been connected with the plant police force since that time, serving from 1928 to 1935 as night chief. All this time he continued active in New Boston civic affairs and was a councilman for many terms.

During his long career he witnessed the growth of Portsmouth Works from a small mill to its present size and watched New Boston grow from a small village to a modern city.

And now we must say, "So long, Old-Timer, it's been a pleasure to have you with us all these years and we hope that many more years of peace and happiness will be yours."



Three sons of Richard Dunaway, mold scrapper at the Open Hearth, are with our armed forces. Kenneth, 20, is a ship fitter at San Diego; Joseph, 22, is a mechanic in the Army Air Corps and Leo, 18, is at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

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Victory Gardens

It is time for victory gardeners to dust off their garden tools and get out the seed catalogues, for they are counted on to supply a large part of the food needed for civilian consumption in 1944, the War Food Administration announces.

The 1944 goal calls for 22 million Victory Gardens, an increase of 2 million over 1943. Of these, 16 million are expected to be urban and rural gardens, 6 million farm gardens. Together they should produce 10 million tons of food, or 25 per cent more food than gardens produced in 1943. Supplemental fall gardens will help increase supply of fresh vegetables, said WFA.

"That places a very sobering responsibility on every victory gardener," said War Food Administrator Marvin Jones. Need for Victory Gardens, he explained rises from the fact that the food situation will be increasingly tighter this year, as we continue to supply food to allies, armed forces and civilians. Each new victory means more people to feed.

Seed sales to victory gardeners are running about 30 per cent ahead of a year ago, Jones reported. This he attributed partly to early buying, but expressed the hope it also meant an increase in gardens.

Last year the nation's 20 million Victory Gardens produced about 8 million tons of food—nearly 40 per cent of all vegetables grown for fresh consumption in the U. S. Using products from Victory Gardens or commercial markets, American families canned some 4 billion jars of food.

In announcing recent reductions in point values of tomatoes, peas, and corn, Price Administrator Chester

Safety Honor - Roll

This Record includes the days between the last lost Time Accident in your department and April 1, 1944

DEPARTMENT	SUPERVISOR	Days Worked Without a Lost Time Accident
Nail Galvanizing	John Ressinger	4126
Locomotive Repairs	C. L. Sunafrank	3301
Tie Plate Machine Shop	Elmer Stegman	3214
Blast Fce. Boiler House	John Hurley	2988
Coal Handling	R. E. Delamater	2981
Blacksmith Shop	Claude White	2978
Tin Shop	John Lewis	2526
Spike Mill	Geo. Ford	2515
Rod & Wire Labor	E. Brescia	1843
Roll Turning	H. G. Vaughn	1752
Foundry	A. E. Forsberg	1379
Field Fence	Carl Heinisch	1376
Carpenter	W. L. Ross	1366
Machine Shop	George Born	1335
Police	A. J. Lewis	1328
Coke Ovens	O. J. Deitzler	1200
Rod & Wire Galvanizing	Robt. Smith	1074
Road Mesh	Carl Heinisch	894
Boiler Makers & Iron Wkrs.	Cecil Brammer	699
Rod and Wire Shipping	Frank Gasele	668
Barbed Wire	John Olson	654
Scrap Salvage	C. W. Walter	518
Rod & Wire Mech.	Wm. Livingston	438
Pipe Fitters	Carna Duffy	435
Paint Shop	Homer Stanley	407
Coke Plant Mechanical	Fred Zeisler	393
18" & 24" Bar Mills	Wm. Meguigan	390
Inspection & Laboratory	C. E. Kessinger	281
Electrical	H. C. Mosley	227
Wire Mill	Wm. Seburn	178
Nail Mill	J. P. Arthurs	161
Yard, R. R. & Labor	E. B. Campbell	150
Barrel Shop	A. Applegate	147
Blooming Mill	Wm. Meguigan	142
Brick Masons	E. L. Allison	123
Open Hearth	E. E. Brown	115
Boiler Houses	Claude Weidner	106
Mechanical	C. H. Nunamaker	106
Blast Furnace	K. Steinbacher	55
Department No. 17	Andrew Toft	52
Coke Handling	R. E. Delamater	52
Coke By-Product	R. Green	36
Rg. Boiler Manufacture	John Thornton	28
Rod Mill	Geo. Kitchener	18
Tie Plate	Wm. Meguigan	16
Rod & Wire Bundling	Henry Lewis	9
Bbl. & Rg. Boiler Galv.	L. M. Bell	2

Total for First Three Months of 1944 11
Total for First Three Months of 1943 16

Lost Time Accidents for March 1944 5
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Bowles credited the reduction to victory gardeners and home canners.

"Future ration points depend on our 1944 Victory Gardens," he said. "It will be possible to keep ration points at, or even near, present levels only if food output this year is greater than ever before, and if home canners and commercial packers top their record packs of last year."

Last summer, Victory Gardens

played a great part in the first war-time decline in cost of living for city workers, which Secretary of Labor Perkins reported, fell 0.8 per cent between mid-June and mid-July. This was more than the usual summer decline. Cabbage was down 35 per cent, beets 27 per cent, white potatoes 15 per cent, lettuce 11 per cent, sweet potatoes 5 per cent and onions 2 per cent.

Eight Receive Awards From War Production Board for Suggestions

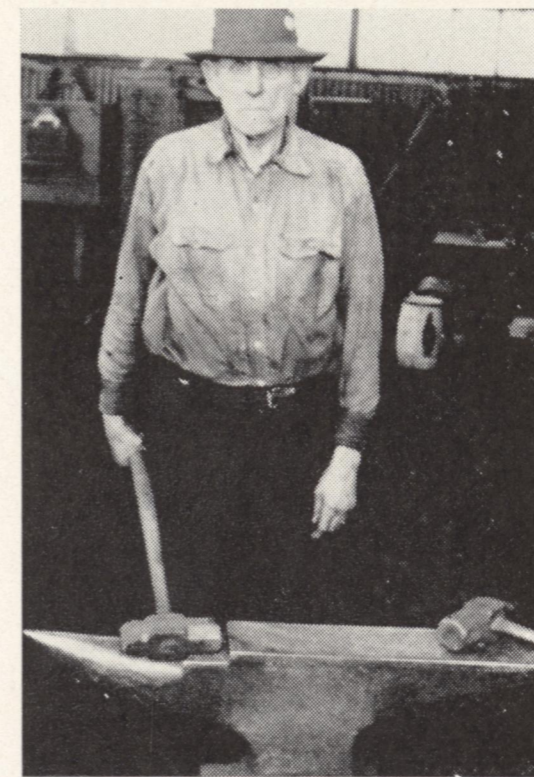
WINNERS GET CERTIFICATES WHILE ON JOB IN PLANT

That the Production Drive Committee is doing a good job at the plant is evidenced by the fact that the War Production Board has again granted Production Drive Award certificates to eight employees of Portsmouth Works for ideas submitted to increase production or eliminate waste.

This group is the first to receive Production Drive Awards since last September when the War Production Board awarded certificates to nine employees for their suggestions. The Production Drive Committee presented these awards to the men on their jobs.

Our congratulations to the following eight men whose ideas have contributed much to the success of the war effort:

Name	Department
Ed. Zeek, Jr.	Rod Mill, Heater
Chas. E. Emmett	Rod Mill, Roller
C. E. Howell	Range Boiler, Shipper
A. C. Burchett	Blast Fce., Foreman
R. W. Pearson	Rng. Boil., Machinist
J. E. Romanella	Yard, Foreman
C. Heinisch	Weld. Wire, Foreman
W. Cook	Rod & Wire, Foreman



THOMAS McINTOSH
On his last day at Portsmouth Works we snapped this picture of Thomas McIntosh by his anvil in the Forge Shop at the Rod and Wire Mill. Still strong and active at the age of 79, Mr. McIntosh retired on March 31 after more than twenty years of service as a blacksmith at the plant, most of which time was spent at the Rod and Wire Shop.

On the occasion of his retirement he was presented with a handsome gift by his fellow workers who gathered at the Mechanical Office to wish him many years of happiness and good luck. Tom requested that we extend to all these men his sincere thanks and appreciation for their gift and good wishes.

Band To Make Final Broadcast April 24

With their concert on Monday, April 24 at 7:30 P. M., the Employees Band will bring to a close their current series of broadcasts over Station WPAY. These musical programs were presented over the local station every other Monday during the fall and winter months and were well received by the radio public.

The present series consisted of thirteen broadcasts of varied musical programs which were presented under the direction of Ray Adams, with Leo Kricker acting as master of ceremonies. In connection with the patriotic and community activities which the band helped to promote, many interesting speakers appeared on these programs.



Pfc. David Milliron, stepson of Pearl Jones, cleaner in the Range Boiler Department.

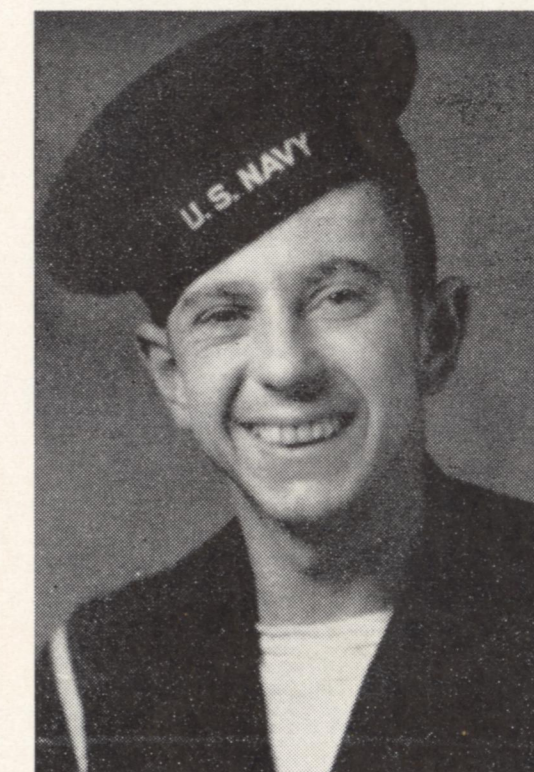
Rod Mill Tonnage In March Sets New High Production Record

WIRE FENCE EMPLOYEES ALSO MAKE NEW RECORD

Two new production records were established at the Rod and Wire Division during March. Of prime importance to our war efforts was the rolling of 17,846.4 net tons of rods on the Rod Mill during the month. This record production of rods surpassed by more than a thousand net tons the previous record in this department, which was established in October, 1942.

The manufacture of woven wire fence in March reached an all-time high of 2411 net tons, breaking the record of 2402 net tons which was made the previous month. The former record in this department was 2324 net tons, manufactured in July, 1941.

We congratulate the employees in these two departments for the excellent job they are doing on the production front. Keep up the good work, because all the material you produce goes into products needed by our armed forces in winning the war.



Walter Richard Hickman S2/c, brother-in-law of Ben W. Kegley, Barrel Shop welder.

Welding Flashes

—by Walt Dressler

Manufacturers of home made farm tractors, Orville Reiser and Chester Godfrey. Custom built tractors \$17,000.00 each. Ten tons of scrap iron in each tractor. Four sets of gear shifts. Will plant, sow, cultivate, germinate, raise and harvest a complete crop in 24 hours time. Vibration facilitates churning and the family washing. Guaranteed to keep the live stock hilarious, which helps them to give more milk, eggs and kick the slats off the barn.

Clarence Coleman and George Craycraft "crack" head levelers also keep a level head.

James Mauk and Art Cole, head inserters are members of the Range Boiler farm bureau.

Business and production manager Mr. K. P. Fuhrman and Radio station WPAV having recognized the "fine arts" in "Welding Flashes" I betcha in the near future we may hear "excerpts" from "Plant News" over our own broadcast "It's Wheeling Steel."

Signs of spring: Paul Reiser parked in front of local grocery store, asleep among the sunbeams while his wife was doing week end marketing. George Barry chewing on sassafras roots. John Purdum wishing he had some new automobiles to sell. Channel and Stetzinger sniffing the air for the scent of fresh Ohio river catfish.

A passing glance in the Barrel and Range Boiler Field Office. Chief clerk, Harry Hunt, and force Dick



Helen Arlene Moritz, 10 months, daughter of Bill Moritz former welder in the Barrel Shop and granddaughter of Elmer Moritz.

Pratt, Lew Kent, Jack Augustine, and a bevy of girls that reminds one of the personnel staff of a Hollywood movie director. Ralph Whitlatch, isolated in his office, misses his co-partner, Bill Briggs, who recently was called to the colors. Chemist Jerome Bialosky's laboratory full of precision gadgets and a tank with coils in it and liquids bubbling out. No its not 100 proof boys, but an experiment on a new type dolly-dimple paint, Chicken Applegate wishes to try on barrels. Soothing syrup: No loss of production Mr. Bell and J. T. "I was just after a book of time sheets."

Ed. Brannon operates our Big Bertha Head Press. He slips in the ammunition, trips the trigger and the rumble sounds like distant cannon fire. In fact, the rumble is so realistic Bud Young, Howard Mercer, and Jake Overturf sometimes forget and run into the little Bomb Shelter back of the Bird-bath.

New Boston is slowly meandering back from Baltimore. Everett Fraley is back in the gang again; said he "couldn't bear to drink that ocean water." Something fascinating about the manufacturing of Range Boilers isn't there Everett?

Our Postal System "rides" Plant News over the ocean waves to most foreign countries for the pleasure of our buddies in the armed forces. Paul Wagner, local radio announcer, in like manner recently gave us a "ride" over the air waves. Why not give your pal a "ride" in Plant News. "Brighten up" with "Welding Flashes." Just slip me a tip, I'll do my best to add the zip.

Rod & Wire Electrical

—by Howard Pherson

Kinker doesn't think much of the Boiler House crane as his tummy gets full of butterflies when he looks down from the cage.

Some of the prattle one hears around the shop is just like the horns on a Texas steer—a point here, a point there and a lot of bull in between.

Several winters ago Red Kegley took a job cutting wood on a 30 below zero day. When he reached the woods he was nearly frozen and in order to get warmed up he chopped so fast that his axe got hot and wouldn't hold an edge. He borrowed another axe, cut a hole in the ice on a nearby creek and continued to work by cooling one axe in the water while he chopped with the other, but he had to quit at noon because by that time the creek was so hot that it wouldn't cool the axes. Besides it wasn't safe to stay in the woods any longer—the chips were starting to come down.

Ivan Patrick has been crippled by rheumatism in one foot. Dr. Bocook took charge. He wrote out a prescription and filled it himself. He gave the medicine to Pat and told him if he wasn't better in three days the doc would give Pat one dollar.

P. S.—The medicine did the trick but now Pat is wanting some medicine to remove the taste of the medicine.

Howard Routt says Pat has been limping around ever since he was reclassified into 1-A.



Pvt. Harold E. Wallace is serving with our armed forces in Italy. He is the son of Ben Wallace of the Yard Department.

Open Hearth News

—by Raison and Frantz

Okie Duke Sprague is waiting for warm weather so he can try out his newly made hickory bait rod.

Howard Zeisler is another of the Open Hearth fishermen who impatiently champs at the bit.

Farret Young was sorely disappointed with last month's issue as he scanned the pages and found no news concerning his affairs in the pit. Not that Farret failed to make news—he always does—but our usual sources failed to come through with any items.

Charley Newman has about gotten over his "mad" at Captain Moore and we assume that Captain will now impart some of his new-found knowledge of fishing lore to Charley.

The Captain was a frequent visitor to the public library these past winter months having discovered that Isaac Walton's "The Complete Angler" was a part of the library's collection. The Captain has learned that a hook, a line, a pole and bait are necessary equipment and he also became well supplied with trout lore. Were Brady Patton still here, we are satisfied that he would now change his opinion of the Captain and his fishing abilities.

"Leave it for Elmer" seems to be the new (or is it?) slogan among the other pit weighman. We might add that little Elmer is bearing up under this responsibility.

That painting of a bass displayed at Hibbit's Hardware store is the



Gilbert Maple of the Spike Mill and his champion coon dog, Scott display their recent catch of which they are mighty proud.

Nail Mill Whiskers

By Nosey, Newsy and ★

A star goes up for Noisy who has been inducted into the armed forces since the last issue. Now he becomes another one of our "Readers in Service".

LOST: One set of store teeth. Employees who handle Nail Mill scrap cars please be on the lookout for same. See Fred King for reward.

Orville Davis is to be our next "Boy in Blue". He'll be leaving sometime this month and a dandy sailor he'll make too.

This time of the year most of us are dogged by a recurrence of that annual disease—Spring Fever. Not Herbert Estep, however. He keeps it the year round to keep from getting it.

Howard Nance recently received quite a bump on the head while working. Andy Moyer, who witnessed the mishap, hurried over and anxiously asked, "Are you sure you didn't fracture your skull?" "Oh no" said Howard, "I got hit on the head."

Wood Moyer has been an employee here 21 years. Add that to the 20 years he was with one railroad, 10 with another and 10 years with an Ironton mill and granting that he was 16 years old when he began working and that would make him—let's see 77 years old. Who'd think it, just to look at him?



Mrs. John Payton, wife of John Payton, engineer at the Coke Plant pump house. John is also "Ye Ole Editor" of Coke Breezes.

work of Wilbur Foster, weighman helper. Wilbur is an ardent fisherman and is quite proficient in turning out artificial lures in both plug and fly varieties.

Roy Dunham is quite enthused over that new litter of nine beagle pups. The pups are of champion stock on both sides and Roy is being very particular as to how prospective buyers intend to train and work them.

Granny Lavinder of Camp Blanding, Florida was recently home on a furlough and paid the boys a visit. We must say that army life has worked wonders with him—reduced that bulging middle while adding a few pounds to his pre-induction weight.

John Rapp of the pit was headed for the Open Hearth Office when things began to happen which forced him to return without accomplishing his mission. We see he is now sporting a new safety suit.

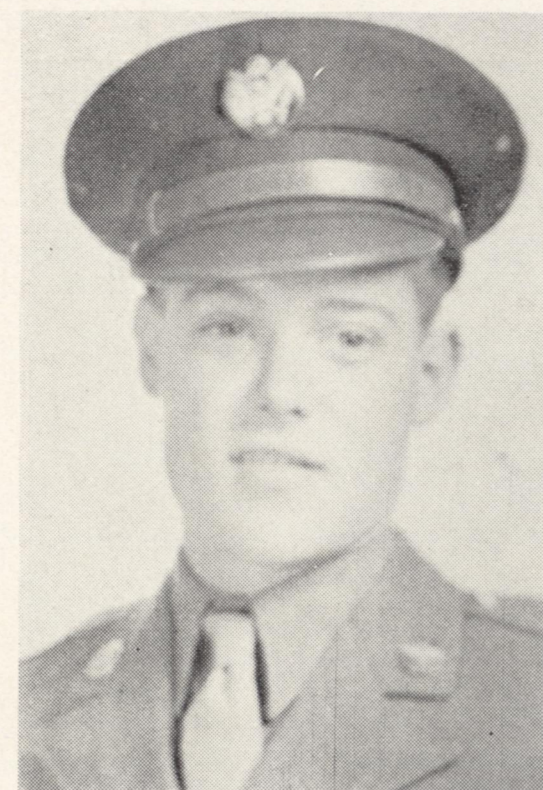
George Fox and Raymond Davis were joint hosts to Okie Duke Sprague as he paid them a social call recently. "Idiot's juice" was served as refreshments.

The Midget and Alex Marion were having quite an argument the other day, but the story is that Alex out-screamed the Midget.

Harold Booth will be leaving us soon as he passed his physical with flying colors. We hear that Raison is sorry he wasn't with him, but we doubt that statement.



Rosella Riddlebarger, daughter of Clarence Riddlebarger, Wire Mill, and Roberta Burchett, daughter of Ovie Burchett, Rod Mill,



Leonard B. Thompson of the Army Air Corps is the son John Thompson, bottom maker on the Soaking Pits.



Harry C. Stone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Esau Stone, is serving with the Naval Air Corps at Moffit Field, San Francisco. He is the grandson of Clarence Mayfield of the Blooming Mill.

Carpenter Shavings

—by W. L. Ross

Bill Burton tells a story of being yoked up with a bull. The bull couldn't stand the sight of Bill and began acting up, so Bill's friends became excited and tried to unhook him, but Bill yelled, "Never mind me, I'll stand, but you'd better unyoke the bull."

Minor Ervin finally quit the farm and moved back to Vine Street. The report is that Mrs. Ervin, who actually did the farm work, absolutely refused to do it any longer.

Our farmers seem to be a little slow this Spring. Wilbur Bobst is preparing for a big crop. Ben Skaggs can just see those big raspberries he is going to raise this summer. Ted Sowards expects to have his regular crop of potatoes and Jeff Crum is preparing to set out 15,000 cabbage plants some evening and also some of his special orange "rag weed" variety tomato sets for Chief Eynon, who reported a bumper crop from those Jeff furnished him last year.

The Carpenter bowlers, while not winning so many games, due to Jeff Crum's inability to hit the head pin, have won their share of the prize money and hold the league record for both high single game and three game total. Jeff is going to take a summer course in bowling and the Carpenters expect to win out next year.

HONOR



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EMPLOYEES NOW IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

ABBOTT, JAMES F.
 ABRAMS, HOMER
 ABRAMS, ELMER
 ADAMS, ELMER P.
 ADAMS, PAUL D.
 AEH, KENNETH
 ALEXANDER, PERRY
 ALLEN, BERNARD
 ALLEN, EDGAR A.
 ALLEN, JAMES R.
 ALLMAN, ROY B.
 ANDREWS, ANGELO G.
 ARNOLD, RAMIE
 ARTHURS, THOS. J.
 ARTIS, HOMER
 ATKINS, EUGENE B.
 ATKINS, FRANK
 AUGUSTIN, J. WM.
 BAILEY, WALTER C.
 BAKER, VERNON D.
 BARBOUR, THOMAS
 BARRETT, RAYMOND
 BAUER, LAWRENCE
 BAYERL, CHARLES
 BEASLEY, BEN
 BELL, RALPH
 BELOAT, WESLEY E.
 BENNETT, FRANK J.
 BERTRAM, DONALD
 BINION, RALEIGH
 BLACK, JOHN R.
 BLOOMFIELD, HARRY
 BOLOTTA, PHILLIP
 BLUME, RAYMOND
 BOGGS, HUBERT
 BOLTON, FLOYD
 BOLTON, RICHARD F.
 ROOP, NORMAN F.
 BORN, GEORGE E.
 BOTTLES, ROY
 BRADY, ARDEN V.
 BRANHAM, HAROLD L.
 BREECH, LESTER
 BRISKER, ROBERT
 BROOMHALL, PAUL
 BROWN, CECIL
 BROWN, NOAH L.
 BRYANT, ORVILLE
 BURCHETT, LONNIE G.
 BURKHARDT, HARRY
 BURLING, EUGENE
 BURTON, HAROLD E.
 BURTON, NAGEL
 BUSSEY, GEORGE F.
 BUSSLER, FRANK
 BYRNE, JOHN J.
 CAINES, MYRON R.
 CALL, WILLIAM D.
 CANTER, CECIL
 CARR, WILLIAM E.
 CARVER, JESSE
 CARVER, WM. JR.
 CAVENEY, JOSEPH
 CHASTEEN, GLENN
 CLAWSON, JOSEPH
 COBB, EUGENE
 COFFMAN, PHILLIP
 COGAN, KENNETH C.
 COLDIRON, CLARENCE J.
 COLLIER, ELLIS
 CONLEY, EDWARD B.
 CONLEY, PAUL F.
 CONLEY, WM. L.
 COOPER, WILBUR E.

CORIELL, LAWRENCE
 CORIELL, RALPH G.
 CORNWELL, RALPH B.
 COX, BANNON
 CRAFT, OWEN
 CRULL, TRUXTON
 CRUM, ASBURY A.
 CULLEN, ANDREW
 CUNNINGHAM, MILFORD
 CUNNINGHAM, JACK
 CURCIO, CHARLES
 CURCIO, FRANK
 DAINS, JAKE
 DALTON, JOHN R.
 DANES, HOMER
 DAVIS, JAMES E.
 DAWSON, WILSON
 DEAN, THOMAS A.
 DEBO, ROY W.
 DETTWILLER, JOSEPH
 DEVLIN, WILLIAM J.
 DIFFEN, MARVIN
 DITTMER, CHARLES E.
 DIXON, LEONARD
 DIXON, ROBERT
 DODD, GEORGE
 DUNCAN, WILLIAM H.
 EDMISTEN, FLOYD
 ELAM, PEARL
 ELLSESSER, GILBERT
 EMNETT, FRANCIS H.
 ENIX, RAYMOND
 EVANS, FLOYD H.
 EVANS, HERBERT
 EVANS, JOHN R.
 EVANS, LEONARD
 FANNIN, CHALMER J.
 FENDER, LLOYD J.
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 FRANTZ, EDWARD
 FRASHER, EARL
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 FRAZIER, LIONEL
 FRIZZELL, ROBERT
 FRYE, THOMAS E.
 FUGGITT, WILLIAM P.
 FULK, ORA
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 GIBBONS, EDGAR O.
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 GILLEY, WOODROW
 GINN, LOWELL
 GOINGS, LOUIS
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 GOVE, WILLIAM D.
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 GRASHEL, RALPH
 HADAWAY, JAMES
 HAISLET, EUGENE
 HALE, DELBERT
 HALL, DUDLEY G.
 HALE, WILLIAM
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 HEIL, EARL
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 HELLER, RALPH
 HEMPILL, RALPH
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 HIENEMAN, FRED
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 HILEMAN, ROBERT E.
 HILES, ROY T.
 HILTON, WOODROW
 HOGAN, JAMES D.
 HOLBROOK, WM. C.
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 HUNT, EDWARD
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 JENKINS, JOHN B.
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 JONES, JAMES T.
 JORDAN, CHESTER
 KAPS, HOWARD P.
 KASEE, HERMAN
 KAYSER, LOWELL
 KAYSER, NOEL
 KEENEY, LLOYD
 KELLER, GEORGE A.
 KELLOGG, ARNOLD
 KEMPER, WALTER
 KENNEDY, HOMER D.
 KENNEDY, RAYMOND
 KETTER, GEORGE
 KNIGHT, ARLIE
 KNIGHTON, HARRY
 LAMBERT, ALBERT H.
 LAMBERT, D. ERVIN
 LAMBLIN, LEONARD
 LANGLEY, JAS. O.
 LAVINDER, EVAN
 PURDY, LAURENCE V.
 LAUTER, PHILLIP
 * LAYNE, PAUL N.
 LEAKE, JOHN W.
 LEGRAND, EVAN
 LEWALLEN, CHARLES
 LEWIS, BASIL B.
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 LEWIS, FORREST E.
 LEWIS, CHANDLER G.
 LEWIS, WILLIAM
 LILES, EUGENE
 LITTLEJOHN, WM.
 LOWE, CEAPH A.
 LOWE, LEONARD
 LUNDY, ROSCOE
 LYKINS, OTIS
 MAGGARD, CHARLTON L.
 MALONE, EDWARD

MALONEY, CHARLES E.
 MANLEY, WALTER L.
 MARCUM, HOWARD
 MARTIN, CHARLES R.
 MARTIN, DONALD E.
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 MARTIN, WM. A.
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 MAYNARD, ADAM E.
 MAYNE, GEORGE
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 McELROY, TONER
 McGRAW, ROBERT E.
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 McLAUGHLIN, CHARLES
 McMAHAN, JOHN
 MEENACH, HARVEY G.
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 MILWARD, JOHN N.
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 MOWERY, DENNIS
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 MUCHA, WALTER E.
 NAGEL, CLYDE G.
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 NEWMAN, CHAS. O.
 NEWMAN, CLEVE E.
 NEWMAN, ROBERT LEE
 NOLAN, JAMES G.
 NORRIS, LAWRENCE E.
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 RAMEY, HAROLD
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 RICE, HOMER C.
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 ROBERTS, HAROLD N.
 ROBERTS, LEONARD
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 ROE, ORAL F.
 ROWE, WILLIAM M.
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 SCHARF, RAYMOND G.
 SCHULTZ, HERBERT V.
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 SERVEY, MARTHA ANN
 SHELTON, HOMER L.
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T/Sgt. Robt. J. King who is stationed in the Aleutian Islands, is the son of Andrew King retired Blast Furnace employee and a brother of Charles King of the Blast Furnace.

Foundry Castings

—by Harold Wiseman

August Piatt recently got up when the alarm sounded and hustled about his morning chores. As he finished, the Pond Creek moon was still high. He looked at his calendar and found out the fast time did not start yet, and then he looked at his clock and he saw it was just 20 minutes until 2 o'clock.

Chaldo Lewis has been getting up by his rooster. A few weeks ago he decided it was time to set him up an hour ahead so he would be ready for fast time. On April 2nd Chaldo went into the coop and Mr. Rooster resented it and showed fight. Result—Lewis is crippled up and the rooster crows all the time.

If anyone in New Boston has noticed a peculiar odor lately it may be due to Kayser's cooking as he has taken up culinary as a side line.

That smile on Jack Milward's face is because he is a full fledged American now.

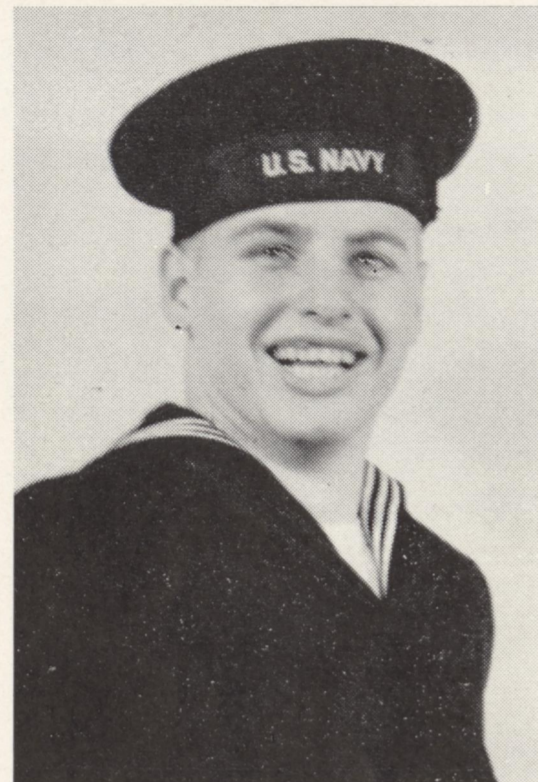
A sure sign of Spring is a city man telling how to plant on the farm and how soon the farmer can get rich. There is lots of that in the wash room now.

We are glad to hear Ray Humble is getting better and we hope he will be back with us soon.

WANTED: A singing teacher for "Booger" Davidson, who thinks he might be another Sinatra.

* Killed in Service

** Missing in Action



Harold Nelson Mustard recently spent a fifteen day furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Mustard. Russell is employed in the Field Fence Department.



Aviation Machinist Mate and Mrs. Clayton VanCuren at Pensacola, Florida. Before joining the Navy Clayton was employed as a machinist in the Mechanical Department.



Howard Walter McGraw, 15 months, son of Cecil McGraw who is serving with the Field Artillery somewhere in Italy. Cecil was employed at the Blast Furnace.

Blooming and Bar Mill Ingot Splashes

—by K. Cronin

The sum that Clifford Chinn gets when he adds 12 and 13 would astound the average third grade pupil. But as any further information might be used against him in the next school board election we believe it would be better not to discuss the matter any further.

We are glad to report that George is back on the straight and narrow and has again become one of C-turns most priceless possessions.

Adam was very conspicuous by his absence during the week he was on the midnight turn. Rumor has it that the mouse was doing a little playing while the cat was away.

If "Wes" never learns anything else about the 18" Mill, he has at least found out who the boss is.

We doubt if "Rabbit" Veach ever finds his clothes tied in knots any more since he caught "Mouse" with his key fast in "Rabbit's" lock. It was the first time to our knowledge that a rabbit ever caught a mouse.

"Pap" Pennington has found out that ration tokens won't work the fare box on a bus. His recent attempt to slug one in that manner resulted in jamming it until a nickel wouldn't work.

We bet the next time anyone gives Benny a stamp he will make sure that it has an airplane on it instead

of a ship before he sends his wife after a new pair of shoes.

Al Stroud and George Bolton recently motored to Lexington, Kentucky on some very important business. The results of this trip will probably be available for the May 20th issue.

Clarence Brisker thinks Slim devoted too much time to this particular job, but we can show him guys that have put in most of their life at this same chore and show no indications of ever getting done.

What is this we hear about two Hot Bed guys furnishing each other with the funds for a party? Then after each had had his separate fling they went out together.

In order to hold up the price of eggs without violating the ceiling price, Frank Lego now charges Wes Moore 5c per dozen for delivering them. Wes also accuses Frank of picking a small hole in the shell and removing part of the contents from each egg.

To Peter Tatman goes the rather dubious honor of being "liar of the month." The tale he told of the man that was a natural born flame thrower was really a honey. Such a man would be an asset to the army as the only equipment he would need would be a penny box of matches,

Brick Mason News

—by "A Boot"

As their final tribute to a fine man, the entire force of brick masons attended the funeral of their friend and fellow worker, Charles Bowser, who died on March 17.

Geno Pellegrinon now knows the difference between a metal case 7" x 9" and one that isn't. He says the metal case cut easier. We also wonder why he carried home a lunch box filled with straw.

Jitterbug Hall found out the other day that his wife knows more about buying a horse than he does. He bought a plug and took it home and his wife sold it and bought a horse.

Cheeseman Keyser is not putting up much of a campaign for sheriff. He says it keeps him too busy cleaning out his locker and untying his clothes.

Alimony Bud is singing the blues because it costs him too much to live. It's a little late to cry now, Bud.

We hate to hear that Charles Barbee is leaving the gang because of ill health, and we wish him the best of luck wherever he goes.

Things We Would Yike To Know: What brick mason got orders from his wife to sell the car? Why John Cooper don't like to be called Sweetheart? Who is known as the two trustees?

Yard Department Yarns

—by Cecil Literal

We had a letter from Arlie Knight. Glad to hear you are fine. How do you like England? Good luck, Arlie. We hope to hear from all the fellows in Service.

Phillip Bolotta is home on leave from the army. He's looking grand too.

Iron Ore is in again and not too soon either, because we were really scraping the bottom of the barrel.

We are having the scales renewed at the Yard Office. They are to be six feet longer. All weighing is now being done on Dravo scales. There are lots of traffic jams and does Colvin need aspirin.

Edward Riffe and Frank Dodd have both passed for the Army. However, their induction may be delayed due to the fact that they are both over 26 years of age.

We hear Wm. (Bill) Wheeler is a stock farmer. Yes sir, he has some mighty fine calves. Bill there is going to be a County Fair this year and if the calves are as fine as I hear they are, you ought to bring home some blue ribbons.

All you fellows in the armed forces will be interested to know that the new main Plant Restaurant is being built where the Old Employment Office was. Guess you knew the Old Restaurant burned last winter.

Anyone that hasn't visited the new Yard wash house and locker room yet is missing something. It's a honey and are we anxious to move in.



Thirty-two years continuous employment in the mill without a lost time accident is the envious record of Miles Allen, who is shown here with his grandson, Roger Patton, age 7. Mr. Allen, now employed as a carpenter, was for many years a heater on the old Jobbing Mills.



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edward Stone. Carl, a son of Willie Stone of the Rod Storage, is serving with the Navy at Little Creek, Virginia.

Barrel Shop Bulletins

—by "The Young Man"

Frank Warnock, former boss in the head department, who is now serving in the U. S. Merchant Marines, was a recent visitor at the shop. Frank was feeling good and looking fine. He is now stationed at the Great Lakes with headquarters in Detroit.

Everett Vest, also of the head department, was recently inducted for service in the Navy. He is now taking his "boot" training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Noah Brown, popular millwright, is also taking his "boot" training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. His buddies presented him with a handsome traveling bag before he left.

Leo Bayes, a very genial chap from our old home town (Pond Creek), recently passed his physical exam at Huntington and is eagerly awaiting a call to duty.

Bruce Wright, welder, who has been off duty many weeks due to illness, recently returned to his job. Welcome back, Bruce.

Hobart Preston, who has been working in the High Grade Warehouse for some time, has taken a job on the head press.

Edison Reed, welder, recently passed his military examination with flying colors and is awaiting a call from Uncle Sam.

Carl Evans of Sciotoville is busy planning to go into the chicken business on a large scale. The boys warn you not to count your chickens before they're hatched.

Mechanical Musings

—by V. Warnock

Everett Kuhner has been transferred from the Forge Shop to the Rod and Wire to take the place of Tom McIntosh who retired recently at the age of 79. Good luck, Tom, many more happy years to you.

Alex Haislett has moved. Does anyone know where?

Fred (Curley) Etterling spends lots of time putting nice smelling stuff on his hair, or rather where his hair should be, and we think it just the same as getting money under false pretense.

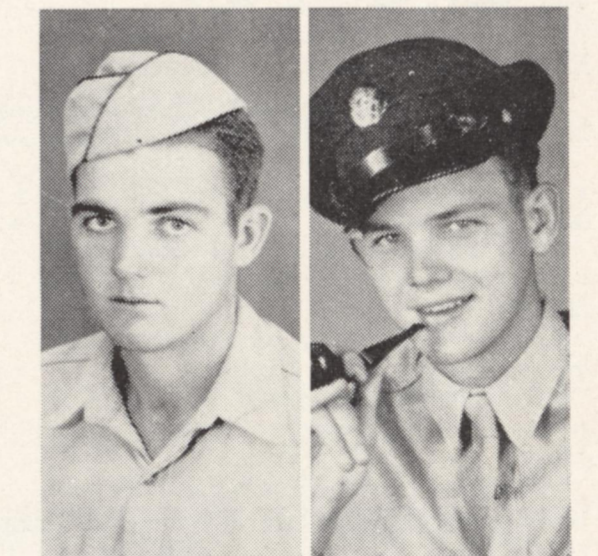
Glenn Harrison and Cecil Canter of the Army Engineers and Paul Brammer of the Armoured Forces have arrived safely in England.

Richard Brammer of the Boiler Shop and Robert Chaney and Joseph Abbott of the Machine Shop are new members of the armed forces. Good luck, fellows.

Harry Heller of the Sea Bees sure has been on an exciting adventure. He was on a transport named.....and passed Island.....with lots of pretty girls and went on to objective.....and whipped a lot of.....sure has lots of fun.

Please Harry, be a little more subtle in your next letters and perhaps you can sneak past the censors just once.

We believe Tom Crawford should take up celestial navigation or at least study a little geography and then perhaps he can tell which is north or south.



Pvt. James A. Pennywitt is serving with a tank destroyer unit in the Pacific theater of war and his brother Pvt. Jessie Delbert Pennywitt is with the Military Police in Brazil. They are sons of William Pennywitt, millwright helper in the Blooming Mill.

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathy to the following employees and families in recent deaths:

To the family of Everett Scott of the Wire Mill, who died March 7.

To the family of Robert Eggers of the Electrical Department, who died March 2. Two brothers, Ernest and Clifford, are employed in the Yard Department.

To the family of Charles Bowser of the Brick Mason Department, who died March 17.

To Taylor Patrick of the Wire Mill, whose father died February 23.

To Oscar Lyons of the Nail Mill, whose sister died February 23.

To Harley Brigner of the Spike Mill, whose father died February 28.

To Edward Gannon of the Barrel Shop, whose wife died February 29.

To Walter Reynolds of the Yard Department, and Robert Reynolds of the Foundry, whose sister died March 2.

To Elza Garlinger of the O. H. Electrical Department, whose mother died March 3.

To Charles Fultz of the Road Fabric Department, whose uncle died March 5.

To Herbert Scott of the Mechanical Department, whose brother died March 7.

To H. Lambert of the Coke Plant, whose brother died March 7.

To Frank Yerardi of the Yard Department, whose son died March 9.

To Francis Hammond of the Coke Plant, whose father died March 10.

To Marion H. Martin of the Mechanical Department, whose son died March 11.

To Walter Kerr of the Army Ordnance Department, whose mother died March 16.

To Forrest Deemer of the Store Room, whose sister died March 17.

To Henry E. Murphy of the Rod Mill, whose daughter died March 18.

To Kinard Pence of the Field Fence Department, whose son died March 19.

To John McDaniels of the Mechanical Department, whose father died March 22.

To Cecil Traylor of the Rod Mill, whose father died January 23.

To Alfred McCorkle of the Carpenter Shop, whose brother died March 29.

To John Duffy of the Yard Department, whose father-in-law died February 25.

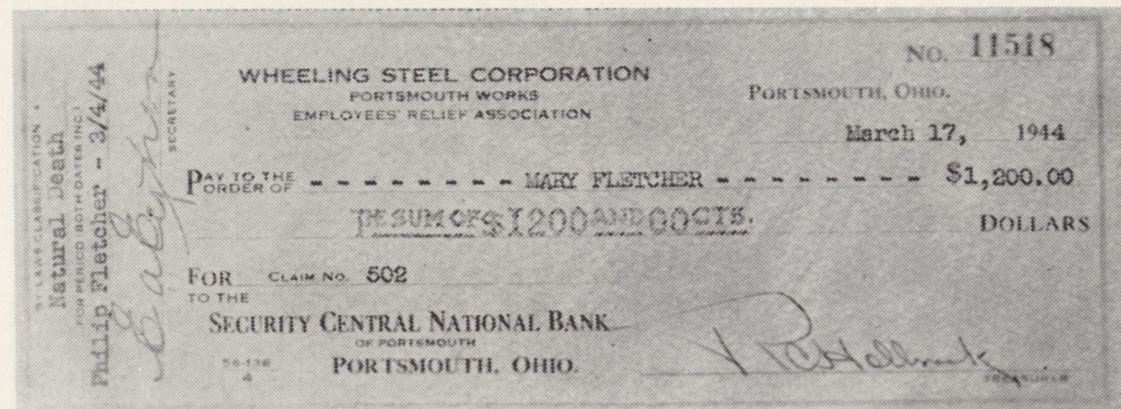
To C. Hamm of the Nail Mill, mother-in-law died March 6.

To Robert Reynolds of the Foundry, whose sister died March 2.

To Walter Atkinson of the Blooming Mill, whose sister died April 1.

To C. L. Chaney of the Mechanical Department, whose sister died March 29.

E. R. A. Benefits Pass Million Mark



With the issuance of above check on March 17, 1944, over One Million Dollars has been paid by the Employees' Relief Association to its members, or their beneficiaries, as benefits.

Since the Association was organized on August 1, 1912 and up to and including this check, the following benefits have been paid:

Sick Benefits	\$ 284,546.62
Accident Benefits	185,216.43
Natural Death Benefits	424,330.00
Accidental Death Benefits	105,936.84

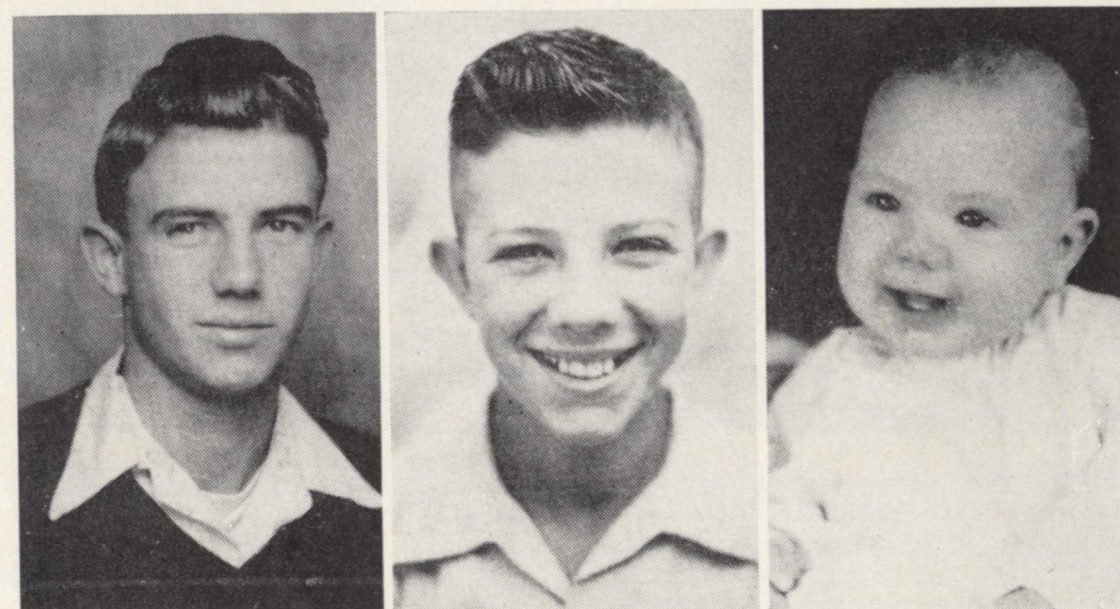
TOTAL\$1,000,029.89

DIS GUY FORDYCE

This poem is dedicated to Jim Fordyce, editor of the bowling column that appears in the Times each week, who has been panning the bowlers in our league all winter long. After all, you asked for it, Jim.

He haunts all the alleys, the whole season through,
If you're having tough luck, he's soon on to you,
Then your score he'll write up with some impudent crack,
He figures, you see, that you can't talk back.
But what of this Fordyce, who writes all this stuff?
How good is he, and just how tough?

Here's the truth about this gossipy runt,
When he rolls 500, for him it's a stunt.
He splits and misses the same as you
When his luck is bad, he'll sweat and stew
He hopes, says Jim, by another Fall
To be able to handle a full-sized ball.



Don, 17, Max, 12 and Janet Sue, 5 months, children of Lewis Kisor. Lewis is employed as a stocker at the Open Hearth Department.

Read This Shocking Truth!

Nearly 9,000,000 men and women have been killed, maimed or injured on and off the job since America went to war. Preliminary estimates for 1943 alone indicate that 4,300,000 war workers were killed or injured on or off the job—of this number 45,000 lost their lives. And, to make matters worse, non-fatal industrial accidents are increasing.

Here Is What You Can Do About It!

1. Study your local safety rules.
2. See if they are adequate and are serving well, and if not, incorporate new ones.
3. Each worker satisfy himself that Safety Methods are being used to good advantage.
4. Employees should be encouraged at all times to work safely, not only on the job, but when away from his work.
5. Take action today—help conserve our man power for maximum War Production.

There would be no better and easier way for our workmen to serve their Country, than to prevent injuries and avoid accidents. If each worker would lend a hand to see that all men work safe, it would be the means of much Increased Production.

GLENN MOUGEY,
FRANK BLOOD.

COMPARISON OF SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED WITH QUOTA OF SUGGESTIONS EXPECTED For Period May 1, 1942 to March 31, 1944

DEPARTMENT	No. of Suggestions Received	Quota of Suggestions Expected	% of Quota For Year
Rod & Wire	344	184	187
Coke Plant	33	46	72
Blast Furnace	12	23	52
Yard	28	68	41
Bbl. & Rg. Boiler	18	69	26
Blooming & Bar	9	46	20
General	37	184	20
Department No. 17	7	52	13
Open Hearth	8	69	12
Mechanical	16	138	12
Inspection	8	69	12
Electrical	6	69	9
Salvage	0	13	0
TOTAL	526	1030	51

A WORSE ENEMY THAN U-BOATS

SINCE Pearl Harbor, U. S. war plant accidents have been a mightier foe than Nazi U-boats. The 540,000,000 man-days lost through accidents could have been used to build more than ten times as many Allied ships as submarines have sunk.

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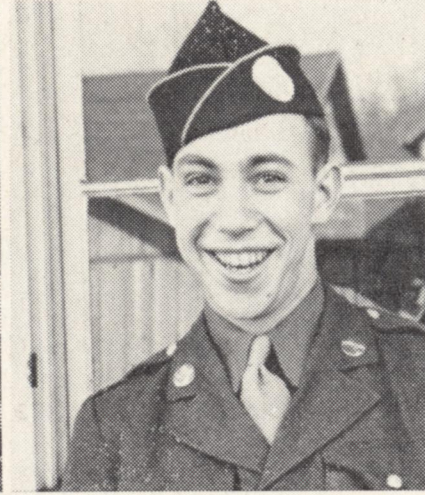
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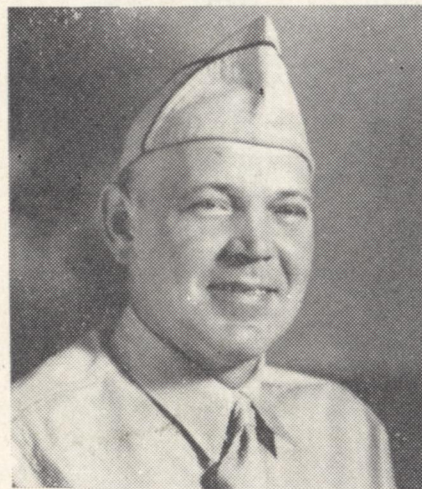
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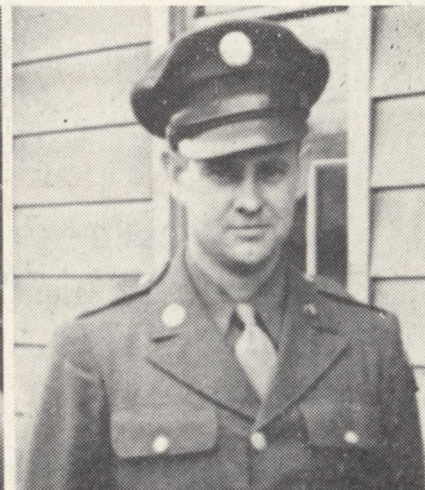
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