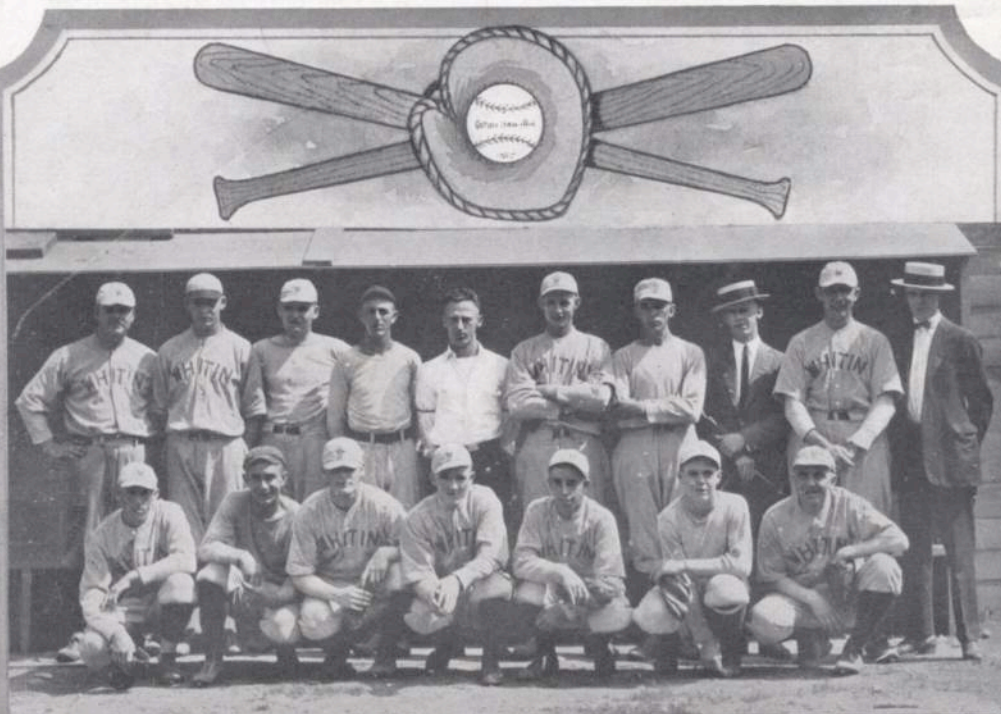


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WHITIN MACHINE WORKS BASEBALL TEAM OF THE INDUSTRIAL TRIANGLE LEAGUE
 Standing: Donovan, 2b.; Buma, 1b.; Keeler, c.; McKinnon, c.; Ashworth, lf.; McKee, 3b.; Murray, p.; Connors, treas.; Kearnen, cf. and coach; Dalton, mgr.
 Kneeling: Malmgren, p.; Topp, c.; Hartley, lf.; Steele, p.; Denoncourt, ss.; Sullivan, sub.; Veau, 2b. (Leonard, 1b., absent.)

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MAIN OFFICE MEMBERS OF THE REPAIR DEPARTMENT

Left to Right: William J. Crawford, Amos Whipple, Sydney R. Mason, Alice Magill, Mary Boulton, Albin Nelson, Robert G. McKaig, Charles T. Noble

Mr. Mason, manager of the department, and Mr. McKaig, assistant manager, in conference

General view of the Repair Department

The two lower photographs were enlarged from the original moving-picture film taken of the Whitin Machine Works in 1919

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Repair Department

In the years following the incorporation of the Whitin Machine Works the orders for repairs on Whitin machinery were taken care of as part of the duties of the Superintendent. In comparatively recent years a new Repair Department has become separated from the superintendent's office and now occupies a large section of the Main Office.

The duties of the Repair Department are many and varied and are not confined wholly to handling orders for repair parts as the name of the department would indicate. From the time the finished machinery leaves the works the Repair Department is called upon to handle the orders for all changes and replacements, and render service to the mills in any way possible.

EARLY DAYS OF DEPARTMENT

As nearly as we can find out, William Taft was the first man to personally have charge of repair orders, when he was Assistant Superintendent under Harvey Ellis. When Mr. Ellis was succeeded by William Taft about 1884, James R. Ferry was made Assistant Superintendent and took over the repair work. Mr. Ferry tells us that orders for repair parts were not large in those days and, in fact, no book records of them had been kept until he commenced putting them in a small notebook. Letters requesting repairs came directly from the mills to his desk and a notice was sent out to the foreman on whose job the part desired was finished. These foremen were responsible to see that such parts were made ready for shipment. Smaller parts were packed outside the superintendent's office and the larger parts were sent to the freight department near the present express office. This system, except for copying the orders into large record books, was followed until about 1913.

PERSONNEL

A number of men whose names are outstanding in connection with the Whitin Machine Works have worked

at one time or another in the Repair Department. L. M. Keeler was employed there about the year 1895 and was active in this department until May, 1903. C. V. Dudley joined the department in January, 1902, and was followed by E. K. Swift in June, 1903. Frank Spooner, who was the stenographer in No. 2 Office from September, 1902, became a member of the Repair Department in September, 1904, when Mr. Swift went to the Main Office. R. E. Lincoln and P. H. Newhall started on repairs in the year 1907 and were followed by R. G. McKaig, A. W. Nelson, S. R. Mason, C. T. Noble, and A. E. Whipple. Within the last four years Alice Magill, Mary Britton and W. J. Crawford have been added to the department.

From 1913, J. R. Ferry has given all his time to the supervision of tenements. C. V. Dudley remained in charge of this department until he retired in 1916, and was succeeded by S. R. Mason, the present manager.

The volume of business in the Repair Department increased five to six times from 1910 to 1914. Four years later the Repair Department was reorganized when it moved into the Main Office. The system established at that time remains practically intact today.

There is a special forwarding department located in the shipping room. There each order, as delivered, is assigned to its number and division, and is carefully packed, checked and shipped. As many as two hundred orders pass through the forwarding department in the course of a day.

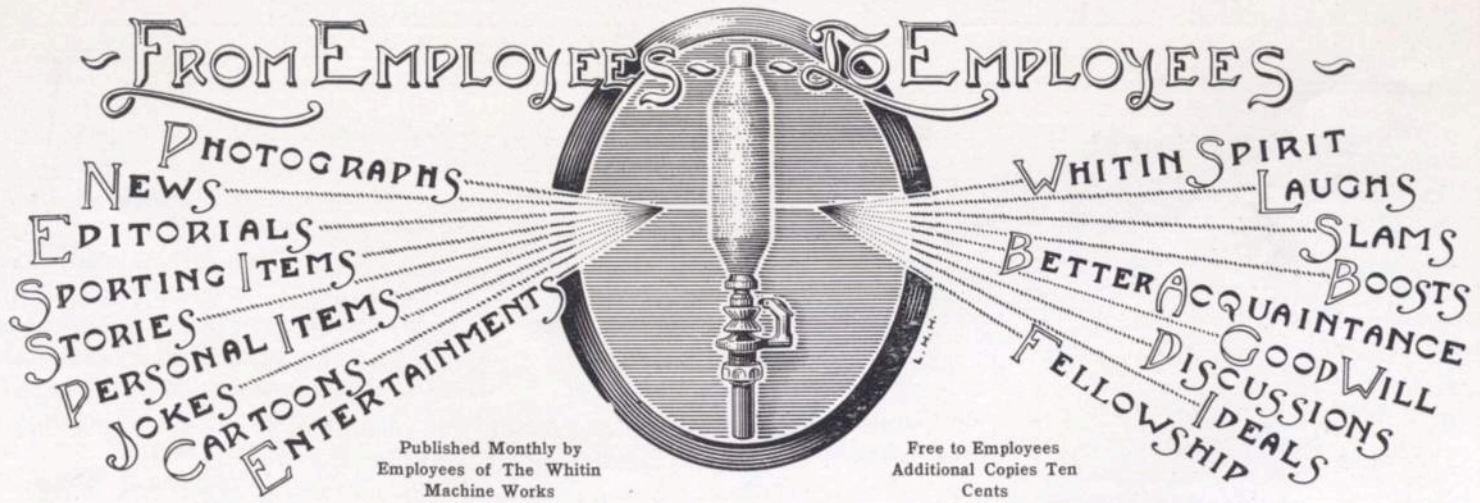
One of the varied duties of the Repair Department is to take care of orders for the various attachments for our machinery, which in reality are machines in themselves; for example, dobbies for looms, breasts and fancies for cards, and condensers for combers. In addition to this the Repair Department handles all orders for alterations of machinery, such as creel work for spinning and roving, shortening of machinery, and changing twistors from dry to wet.

With the present method of building our machines, which includes detailed records of every specification, it is possible for the Repair Department to furnish duplicate parts for every machine which leaves the shop. It is part of the service of the Repair Department to turn at once to the specifications of the very machine for which parts are desired, and in that way to serve the mill more efficiently. However, a vast amount of equipment changes hands from year to year, and sometimes it is rather difficult to locate the original specification of some of the machinery in the mills due to the lack of sufficient information at the time of the transfer. They keep records wherever possible of these changes in an effort to render efficient repair service. To assist in identifying machinery they adopted a few years ago a system of numbering all machinery and each machine now manufactured bears a number plate showing the serial number, type, date of manufacture, etc.

Repairs are one of the most important parts of the business of the Whitin Machine Works. When one takes into consideration the fact that some of our machines have over 1,000 parts it is easy to understand that a few of them must be replaced from time to time. The service a mill receives in replacing worn parts determines to some extent its desire to order new equipment.

In the Whitin Machine Works organization we have always believed in a close co-operation between management, foreman, and employee. This same co-operation extends through the different departments. The Repair Department is in constant touch with the men in charge of the production of these individual jobs which makes it possible to give almost immediate attention to repair work, which of necessity is extra over and above the routine construction. Co-operation makes it possible for the Repair Department to pass on the results obtained from the shop to the mills, which makes for success.

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Two in One

This "Spindle" is a combined July and August issue. A notice was placed on the bulletin boards to the effect that the July "Spindle" would be omitted and a combined July and August number would appear about August 11. In spite of the notices we received many inquiries why the July issue was omitted. We very much appreciate the interest shown and believe it will be the policy hereafter due to the vacation season to combine these two months.

We Begin Fourth Year of "Spindle" and Express Appreciation to Contributors

Due to the fact that the July issue of the "Spindle" was combined with that of August, the June number completed the third year of the existence of the "Whitin Spindle." This issue is the first of volume No. 4. We expect that this year will be one of our very best and wish to urge our

contributors who have been so generous and helpful in the past, to continue their co-operation with the editor in order to make the results wished for possible.

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the suggestions offered, photographs received and personal items contributed. It is almost impossible to thank any small group of persons, for most of the issues have been the results of the contributions of more than a hundred; for instance, in the May issue the photographs of the babies alone represented the contributions of 87 individuals.

A Few Safety Facts

Cast Iron Room and Foundry Establish Record

The safety records show a number of facts that are interesting and everyone of us takes pride in the splendid improvement that is being shown.

Twenty-eight jobs have not had a lost-time injury this year.

Eighty-eight days were free of lost-time injuries.

The accidents came on seventy-seven working days.

Twice we had six consecutive days without loss of time throughout the shop.

The Cast Iron Room had seventeen weeks and the Foundry seven weeks and two days in succession without an injury requiring an employee to lose time.

We had 317 accidents in 1921

during the first seven months, and 128 this year, a drop of 60%.

While our forces were reduced 11%, our lost-time accidents fell off 60%.

Retired

John Hurley, a member of the polishing job for the past fourteen or fifteen years, was retired in July. Mr. Hurley joined the Whitin Machine Works in August, 1889, and has a good reputation as a faithful worker in the shop. On the polishing job he never lost an hour from his work until he began to suffer from his present disability. Mr. Hurley also served as a watchman for the Whitin Machine Works in the past. He disliked very much leaving his work in the shop, and hopes to be able to come back again as soon as his health improves. We would be glad to have him with us again.

Mrs. Emory Burbank of Hill Street recently announced in the "Spindle" that she was breaking up house-keeping, and would sell her furniture. Most of this furniture has been disposed of. Mrs. Burbank still has one chamber set, a cook stove and three book cases and many valuable books which she would be glad to have the public call and inspect for purchase. Among the books are a set of Dickens, of Longfellow, and Stoddard's Lectures; also a history of the United States and the life of Roosevelt.



Gilbert W. Pearce

Joins Whitin Machine Works Southern Office

The Whitin Machine Works welcomed a new member of its Southern Office, Gilbert W. Pearce, on his visit here July 13 and 14. Mr. Pearce joined the Southern Office at Charlotte, N. C., the first part of March of this year. He was previously employed by the well known firm of J. E. Serrine & Co., engineers, Greenville, S. C., where he was located in the machinery department for six years. At our Southern Office Mr. Pearce is now laying out machinery plans for the Whitin Machine Works. He is also making proposals and specifications for old plants and working on reorganizations and making estimates on new plants.

Mr. Pearce was born in East London, Cape Colony, South Africa, and soon afterwards his family moved to England and later to Boston, Mass., where he attended the Boston Public Schools and the Boston High School. On graduation he returned to London, England, where he attended King's College and London University.

Before 1916 when he joined the firm of J. E. Serrine & Co., he spent about twelve years in experimenting with and testing out machines for handling jute and kapok and various other fibres. This work took him to India and other countries.

It is very interesting to note that upon his return to this country Mr. Pearce and his brother developed a

roller gin particularly adapted for staple cottons in that section known as "Imperial Valley," where they grow the celebrated Argonne staple, the two varieties known as the Pimes and Durango. This machine is being operated in California today.

Although Mr. Pearce has worked for many years in the south, was born in an English Colony and completed his education at London University, to those of us in the Whitin Machine Works he is very much a Massachusetts man, having been educated in the public schools of Boston, and being married to a Boston girl.

We know from good authority that Mr. Pearce has already made a place for himself in the Whitin organization, and we wish him every success in the future.



Jeremiah Mack

Completes Fifty Years' Service

Jeremiah Mack, a member of the yard force, completed fifty years' service in July. Mr. Mack received the twenty-seventh fifty-year service pin presented by the management to the half-century veterans, and is now one of the twenty-six fifty-year men of the Whitin Machine Works.

Mr. Mack was born in 1861 and at the age of 11 went to work for John Snelling on the bolt job, after which he worked for the following foremen: Obadiah Moulton on rings, Oscar Taft on bolsters, John Har-

rington on card parts, George Carr on drawing rolls, Fred Houghton on drawing, Wm. Lovett on licker-in rolls, James Cahill on doffers, and Joseph Schofield on cards. In 1908 he was transferred from the card job to the outside yard where he has been employed ever since.

Mr. Mack can be found every day on the job in the yard between the blacksmith shop, cast iron room, freight house. His main task is that of watchman and he often helps out as brakeman on the narrow-gauge and main tracks.

In spare moments Mr. Mack can be seen at his favorite pastime of feeding the sparrows. He has a few dozen thoroughly tamed and in a few months expects to have them talking.

Mr. Mack tells us that in 1872 he can remember when the cast iron room had but two grindstones, and when two three-horse teams and one four-horse team handled all the incoming and outgoing freight between the depot and the shop. These teams were occasionally helped out by four yoke of cattle which were used around the yard.

The shop paid its employees monthly instead of weekly in those days, and if a man joined the company the first day of the month, he had to wait until the 16th of the month for his pay. Everything was charged at Dudley's Store and several of the old-timers of the past practically never saw their pay envelope. The store furnished them with groceries, clothing, hardware, meats, etc. It is told about one of the old-timers who declared he didn't care if he never saw his pay envelope as long as he had enough to eat and wear.

Mr. Mack has a remarkable memory for names and could recall readily the first and last names of a large number of the outstanding men of the past. We are glad to welcome Mr. Mack as a member of the fifty-year veterans.

Lewis Kenney, of the Production Department, was married to Miss Florence Churchill, of Whitman, Mass., at the bride's home, Saturday, July 15. Miss Churchill was a teacher in the schools of Whitinsville for several years.



GROUP PICTURE OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE ACME SPINNING COMPANY OF BELMONT, N. C.

Superintendent John Duncan is in the center with his hat in his right hand.

Henry Frieswyk, one of our road men, was at the mill last year when this picture was taken. He tells us that the mill is equipped entirely with Whitin machinery, and has about 5,000 spindles. They manufacture fine yarns. Since this photograph was taken we understand the Acme Spinning Company has built a new and larger mill connected with this one.

Firemen Arrive Before Fire Starts and Then Watch House Burn to the Ground

A decision made to burn down one of the "Pine Tree" houses, was carried out on Monday, July 24, at one o'clock. The condition of the house was such that it was not considered advisable to recondition it for new tenants; and taking advantage of ideal weather the Fire Department was called on to take charge of demolishing it. Oil was poured around the partitions of the lower floor and the fire started in the basement of the dwelling. It was interesting to note that an empty house is not an easy thing to ignite quickly. It was necessary to cut holes in the partition and to stuff them with excelsior soaked in kerosene. The asphalt shingles on the roof held the fire inside until the asphalt began to pour in liquid form over the eaves. The woodshed with wooden shingles ignited quickly and burned very rapidly.

The photographs show the house before and during the fire. A stream of water was continuously played between the electric wires on Linwood avenue and the burning house.

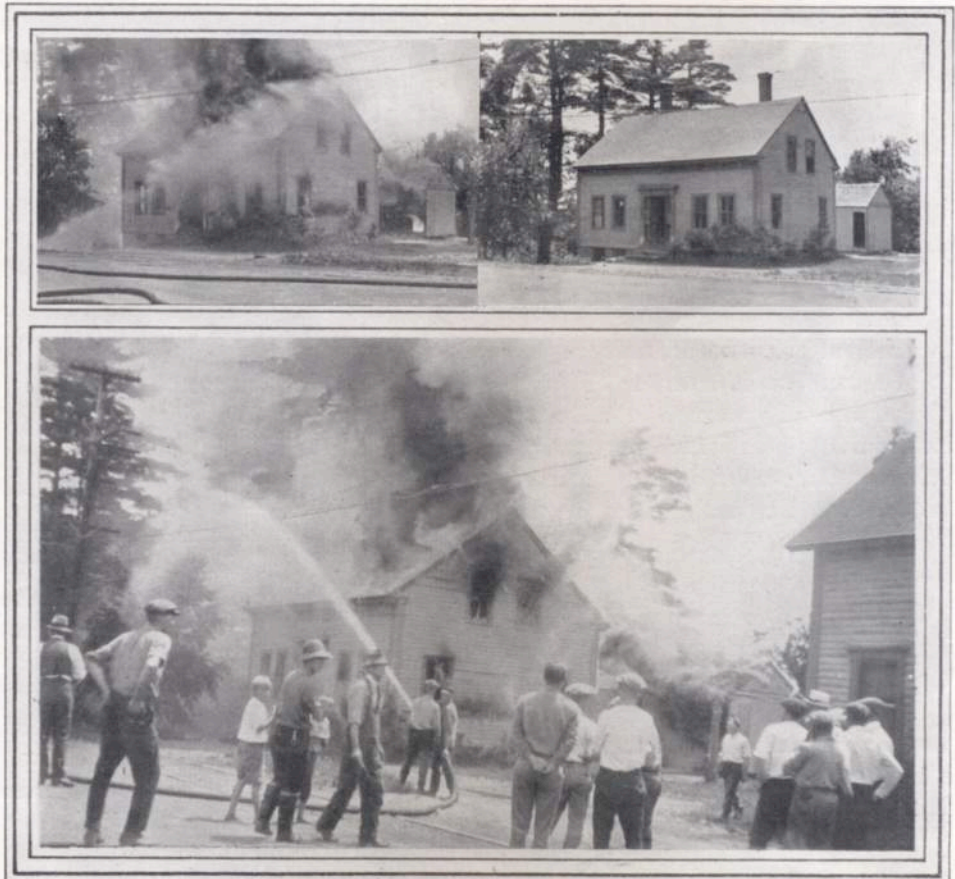
These three houses have always been spoken of as the "Pine Tree Houses." An especially large pine tree used to stand across from these houses in the old days and this district has kept the name of the "Pine Tree" ever since that time. This tenement was among the oldest owned by the Whitin Machine Works.

Leroy Rollins of the Payroll Department welcomed a son born Wednesday, July 26, at the Whitinsville Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Rollins have named the baby "Lester."

Donald Simmons of the Carpenter Shop became the father of a baby girl, Saturday, July 22. The baby has been named "Agnes."

Lester Dermody of the Production Department has a new job as traffic officer in Douglas. His duties of late have been composed mainly of showing Whitinsville Ford owners the way home. One of the Ford owners of the Drafting Room is planning to purchase a nickel badge with a patented polishing device for the traffic officer of Douglas as a reward for special services.

One of the late stories being passed around among the golf enthusiasts was sprung in the office recently, when one golfer accused the other of being a "Civil War Golfer." "How is that?" asked the other golfer. "Well, you were out in '61 and back in '65," was the reply.



Pine Tree House Before and During the Conflagration

Three Veteran Employees Die in July

The Whitin Machine Works lost three of their veteran employees during the month of July. They were William Leonard, a veteran of fifty-five years' service, James Ferguson, a veteran of forty-nine years' service, and Herbert Ashworth, a veteran of twenty-nine years' service. The service records and retirement notices of William Leonard and James Ferguson have appeared in past "Spindles," and may be found by referring to the June issue of this year, in which their pictures also appear.



Mr. Leonard died of heart failure on July 8, and on the following day Mr. Ferguson passed away due to cancer. Mr. Leonard was one of our twenty-six fifty-year veterans and until recently had been employed on the repair job. Mr. Ferguson, whose history with the Whitin Machine Works has almost entirely been connected with the spinning job, retired this spring.

The death of Herbert Ashworth of the speeder job was very sudden and occurred on the morning of July 4, due to heart failure. We extend our deep sympathy to the families, friends and relatives of these three veterans.

Roll Job Loses Popular Member Through Death



Samuel Winterbottom, a member of the roll job, passed away Thursday, July 27, at his home on Cottage Street. Mr. Winterbottom had been ill since the early part of last winter. He had been employed in the Whitin Machine Works since August, 1910, and was a member of several of the fraternal organizations of Whitinsville.

Mr. Winterbottom served with the British Army in India. He had enjoyed very good health up to the past year and from his military bearing one would hardly believe, until the past few months, he was so near to completing his life. The funeral was held from the Presbyterian Church, Saturday, July 29, at two o'clock, Rev. T. M. Huston officiating. We express our sympathy to the family of Mr. Winterbottom.

Gardens Produce Large Vegetables

The garden season is in full swing, and the results so far are extra good. The rainy weather has grown some of the radishes into the turnip class for



C. A. Wentworth Grows 9-inch Radish

size. Wayland Johnson of the chuck job brought in a red radish from his garden that weighed fourteen ounces and was six inches long. It was in perfect condition and when peeled made as nice a radish to eat as one could ask for.

C. A. Wentworth of the gear job gave us the white one shown above, from his garden on Taylor Hill, weighing twenty-four ounces and nine inches long.

Field Carnival to be Held at New Village Grounds

Just as we go to press, the Whitin Machine Works baseball team is putting on a field carnival at the New Village grounds. The team plans to run the event three nights and much interest is being shown by the fans and friends of the players. The committee has had complete charge of the arrangements; and credit, for the initiative and work connected with the success of the carnival, is due to Harry Kiernan, Irving Dalton, Herbert Ashworth, Robert Keeler and Robert McKee.

REPAIR DEPARTMENT

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Repair orders are received not only for models which we are at present manufacturing, but for models which long since have become obsolete. Only last week a repair order was received for a roving frame in service 68 years, and there are instances of certain pickers and cards of at least equal service. Co-operation of the Pattern Loft in locating the old patterns has been a big factor in making this work possible.

The orders for large installations of new flyers, spindles and rings are no small part of the business of the Repair Department during the year.

At present there are eight members of the office employed in the main department. Their service records in the Whitin Machine Works are as follows:

	Office		Repair Department	
	Yrs.	Mos.	Yrs.	Mos.
Robert G. McKaig	15	1	13	5
Amos Whipple	13	0	4	9
S. R. Mason	12	3	11	9
Albin Nelson	10	4	9	0
Charles T. Noble	8	6	6	3
William J. Crawford	5	6	3	0
Mary Britton	4	1	4	1
Alice Magill	3	8	3	8

Apprentice Ball Team Wins All Games

The Apprentice School ball team has won all three games on its schedule. In its last game the Ring Shop was beaten 8 to 6. Postma struck out ten men in seven innings. The lineup has been Postma, p.; Murphy, ss.; Tebo, 2b.; Mateer, c.; Faber, lf.; Presnum, rf.; VanderBrug, cf.; Belval, 1b.; Cooper, 3b. Forsythe, Baker, and LaFleur have substituted acceptably.



Red Radish Grown by Wayland Johnson

Pennant within the Grasp of Three Teams in Sunset League

The Sunset League has been playing regularly since the last "Spindle" went to press with the exception of a few rainy nights. The teams have been better supported by the fans this year than ever, although the games, especially since June 17, have been very much one-sided.

The yard, foundry and pickers have been on the winning side, while the spinning team have developed several weak spots which have caused them to trail badly.

One of the most interesting games played recently was between the pickers and foundry, the former winning 7 to 6. They were defeated 16 to 5 in their previous game with the foundry.

The pickers have won their last four games, defeating the spinning team 8 to 1, the foundry 7 to 6, the yard 11 to 2 and the spinning again 15 to 3, with the result that the league standing shows a three cornered fight for first place. The rivalry between the three teams has become very acute and whenever they clash for the rest of the season the fans can be assured of an exceptionally good game, and the players will undoubtedly play to a large attendance.

In looking over the batting averages it will be noticed that a majority of the players are hitting for 300 or over. This is due in a large extent to the arrangements made in regard to the pitchers at the start of the season. The exceptional batting of Hartley, who has secured ten hits in thirteen times at bat, is worth noting, and the averages of Malmgren, Denoncourt, McKinnon, Jack Leonard, Hall and Donovan are also outstanding.

As manager of the pickers we wish to extend our consolation to Frank McGowan on his batting average for the season. Of course we know that the problem of winning the pennant, now that the season is coming to a close, has been weighing so much on his mind that he has undoubtedly lost sight of the ball. McGowan says he doesn't care so much about his individual average as long as the team continues its winning streak. Manager O'Neil and Captain Jones are also evidently feeling the burden of responsibility, for in previous seasons they have stood higher in the column.

By the time the next "Spindle" appears from the press, the exciting race now started will have been settled.

LEAGUE STANDING, WEEK ENDING JULY 29, 1922

	WON	LOST	%
Foundry	5	3	.625
Yard	5	3	.625
Pickers	5	4	.555
Spinning	2	7	.222

Industrial Triangle League

Whitins in Second Place Slaters Win 12, Lose 0

Since June 17, when the standing of the Industrial Triangle League team of the Whitin Machine Works appeared in the "Spindle," we have won seven games, lost five and tied one. Of these, nine have been league games, one of which was tied and does not count in the league standing. Outside of the Industrial Triangle League the Whitin team played with Fisherville on June 20, and lost 5 to 3; on the 22d of June, won from Linwood, 10 to 5, and on June 29, defeated Fisherville, 7 to 6, on the home grounds. The Whitinsville team was trailing 6 to 5 in the last half of the ninth with Fisherville when "Dorsey" Topp won the game with a home run into deep right field with one man on, a hit such as we used to read of in the famous Dick Merriwell stories. On the 20th of June, the Whitin team defeated their old rivals Rockdale 4 to 3, with Steele in the box. This game was one of the best games played in Whitinsville this year. In

in three more runs. This ended the scoring for the Whittall team and Whitins, attempt to rally in the seventh was shut off with only one run, but saved us from a shutout.

In one of the most spectacular games in which all kinds of baseball figured, the Whitin Machine Works won out in the tenth inning from the American Optical Company. The visitors took an early lead and from the first to the third inning were ahead 5 to 0. In the next two innings the Whitin team scored seven runs, making the score 7 to 6. Hartley's home run in the fourth was a big factor in the Whitin team's comeback. In the visitors' half of the eighth, Derosier hit a home run with two men on, and in the following inning took the lead from us, the score standing 9 to 8. McKee, the first man up for Whitins, hit a home run into deep right field, the ball finally resting under "Mort" Carr's undertaking truck. McKee was crossing home plate when the American Optical right fielder was under the truck counting the loose bolts. Our team was unable to win in that inning, but in their half of the tenth, Buma made a single, stole second, and McKee again became the hero of the game by hitting to left field for two bases, scoring Buma with the winning run.



American Optical Team at Whitinsville, July 8. A Hard-Hitting Nine

the 9th inning the score stood 3 to 3, when we won the game due to errors and timely hitting.

In a league game the Whitin Machine Works were shut out by Hamilton Woolen on June 29, 3 to 0.

On the first of July the Whittall team and Whitins split even in a double header. The first game, with Murray in the box, was won by Whitins 2 to 0. Murray was a large factor in winning this game, pitching exceptional ball and showing his old-time form for the first time this season with the Whitin team. Malmgren started the second game and it was a close game until the sixth inning, when Whittalls were leading 1 to 0. In this inning, with the bases full, they started a bunting game and eventually scored two more runs, when Malmgren was taken out and Steele put in. The first man up for Whittalls, Degnan, hit a waste ball for two bases, driving

On the following Saturday, July 15, we again went into a ten-inning game, but this time were defeated by Whittalls by a score of 9 to 8. We were in the lead most of the game and were leading 7 to 3 in the eighth inning, when Whittalls received a lease of life as Steele weakened. They scored three runs and followed this up with two in the ninth and one in the tenth. It was a hard game to lose after it was practically ours.

In a snappy eight-inning game which was called on account of darkness, the Slaters of Webster and the Whitin Machine Works played to a 6 to 6 tie on Tuesday night, July 18. Slaters started the first inning by scoring two runs on an error and a home run. Ashworth and Kiernan started the first inning with two-baggers apiece and Kiernan later scored on Denoncourt's single. We took the lead in the second inning only to lose it again in the third, when Slaters scored two



FINISH OF THE OLD MEN'S RACE AT SCOTCH FIELD DAY

Levi Wood, drawing job, age 67, winner; Abraham Lightbown, age 52, bolster job, second; Frank Cross, watchman, age 78, third

runs, but tied it again in the fifth. Slaters went ahead in the sixth and we again tied the score in our half of the inning. This ended the scoring of an especially interesting game from the spectators' standpoint.

The Whitin Machine Works won in the last inning from the American Optical team at Southbridge, July 22. The score stood 2 to 1 in favor of the Optical team at the beginning of the ninth inning. Murray had pitched another one of the games of which he is capable. Ashworth, the first man up, got a base on balls and Kiernan flied out. Donovan bunted safely to third and then followed a succession of fielders' choices coupled with errors by the Southbridge team, and when the inning was over we had scored four runs, winning 5 to 2.

The Whitin team played a postponed game with the American Optical team on Tuesday night, July 25, and lost 7 to 2, due to loose playing on the part of our infield.

On the following Saturday, July 29, we won from the Hamilton Woolen team at Southbridge, 6 to 4. Murray pitched a good game, allowing but three hits during the entire game, and allowing but one hit up to the seventh inning. The game was completely in the Whitin team's hands throughout the afternoon.

Although we stand second in the league, having won eight and lost six at this writing, the chances of catching the fast Webster team are very slim indeed, they having won every game this season so far. We tried exceptionally hard to upset the Webster team in two games, having lost one 7 to 5 and tied one 6 to 6.

SUNSET LEAGUE, BATTING AVERAGES
WEEK ENDING JULY 29

	AB	R	H	%
Hartley	13	5	10	.769
Malmgren	30	9	16	.533
Hall	16	3	8	.500
Donovan	15	2	7	.467
Denoncourt	35	9	16	.457
McKinnon	20	10	9	.450
Leonard, J.	32	11	14	.438
McGuire, F.	18	4	7	.389
Veau	21	8	8	.381
Topp	8	2	3	.375
McGuire, C.	19	5	7	.368
Keeler	19	2	7	.368
Simmons	11	4	4	.364
Murray	22	6	8	.364

Britton	26	8	9	.346
McKee	29	5	10	.345
Ashworth, H.	32	12	11	.344
Corron	30	3	10	.333
Nash	24	5	8	.333
Buma	24	6	8	.333
Saragian	31	3	10	.323
Steele	34	7	11	.323
Clark	19	4	6	.316
Finney	28	5	8	.286
Campo	26	8	7	.268
Leonard, F.	23	7	6	.261
Jones	31	8	8	.258
Duhamel	12	2	3	.250
Bruna	8	1	2	.250
Herberts	25	5	6	.240
Kane	21	3	5	.238
Benoit	22	1	5	.227
Martin	22	2	5	.227
Sweeney	18	2	4	.222
Freitas	23	8	5	.217
Melia	28	7	6	.214
Ashworth, J.	5	0	1	.200
Beaulieu	20	4	4	.200
Anderson	27	1	5	.185
O'Neil	29	2	5	.172
Fowler	12	1	2	.167
Allard	7	2	1	.128
McGowan	17	2	0	.000

PITCHERS' RECORDS

	WON	LOST	%
Jones	5	2	.714
Hartley	2	1	.667
Malmgren	5	3	.625
Campo	3	2	.500
Nash	2	7	.222
Buma	0	1	.000
Anderson	0	1	.000

Results of Games Played
by Shop Team in
Industrial League

Whitin Machine Wks.	2 Chase Mills	3
Whitin Machine Wks.	20 Whittalls	3
Whitin Machine Wks.	10 American Op. Co.	8
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Whitin Machine Wks.	5 Slaters	7
Whitin Machine Wks.	8 Fisherville	1
Whitin Machine Wks.	9 Hamilton Wool.Co.	1
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" Tied	1	

Scotch Field Day

Two thousand people from all over New England attended the Field Day given by the Whitinsville Clan Drummond, Order of Scottish Clans, on Linwood Avenue grounds, Saturday, June 24. Competitors from the various clans of New England took part in the costume, bagpipe, and dancing competitions. There were twenty-four big events staged in the Field Day sports, each of which was entered by many competitors.

Thomas Colthart, a member of the tool job, deserves the credit for the big success of the day. The Field Day was his idea in the beginning, and the work was carried on under his direction, assisted by a committee composed of James Graham, Benjamin Scott, James Gellatly, John Davidson, and Ernest Watson.

We wish to congratulate Mr. Colthart and the committee upon their enterprise in putting on so extensive and entertaining a program.



TUG OF WAR, SCOTCH FIELD DAY

Foundry team lost to the heavyweights of the Shop. Thomas Colthart, manager of the day, is in the center of the picture, judging the event



Ferguson, Jones, Fowler, Barnes, Burlin, Marshall, Henson, Veau, Aldrich, at Chatham
It took four men to dig the clams scouted out by Jones

Fresh-Water Fishing Trip to the Coast

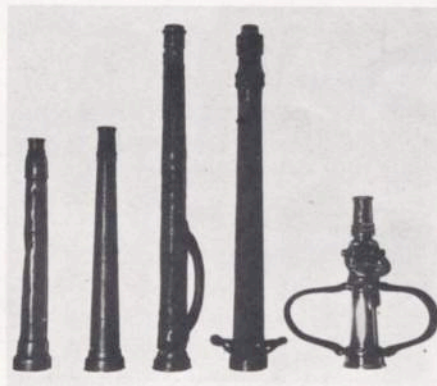
A number of our famous fishermen took a week-end trip to the beach at Chatham, Mass., July 21. We expected to hear a story about rock cod, swordfish, sharks, flounders and other species of the briny deep, but instead were informed that this was a pickerel, bass and perch expedition. The boys were loyal to fresh-water fishing, but did give way to the salt-water sport of digging clams. Jones and Fowler were caught staking out the clam holes and undoubtedly were trying to figure out a way to make the clams spring the red flag as the pickerel do in the ice season.

In the first part of the evening the boys were sleeping under the stars. Jones admitted he was homesick, and most of the others were wide awake nursing sunburns. About three A. M., they all decided to go fishing, with the exception of Jones who got in a good night's sleep from then on, and consequently missed one of the best fishing periods of the week-end. With a boat loaded down so that the sides were within a few inches of the water, Rob Ferguson hooked an eel and swung it towards Veau, who was at that time standing up baiting his hook. Veau looked up from his bait in time to see what looked to be a flying snake coming for him, and made a swipe at it with his fishing pole, almost upsetting the whole party. Rob landed the eel all right and Veau got busy helping to bail out the boat.

On the trip home the boys were all remarking what a good-natured crowd lived on the southern shores of Massachusetts. Everybody seemed to look

them over and then register a broad smile. One by one those in Frank Fowler's car began to realize that there was something unusual the matter with the rear of the car, and at Bourne, Mass., sixty miles from Chatham, Fowler finally discovered an eel attached to his rear spring by about ten feet of rope. The eel had stood the sixty miles and was not even worn through.

Two or three days after the trip was over, most of the fellows were back to normal. The following made up the party: Robert Ferguson, Winford Jones, Frank Fowler, Richard Burlin, Robert Marshall, Robert Henson, Louis Veau, Wilfred Aldrich, Leon Barnes and Mr. Riley of Worcester.

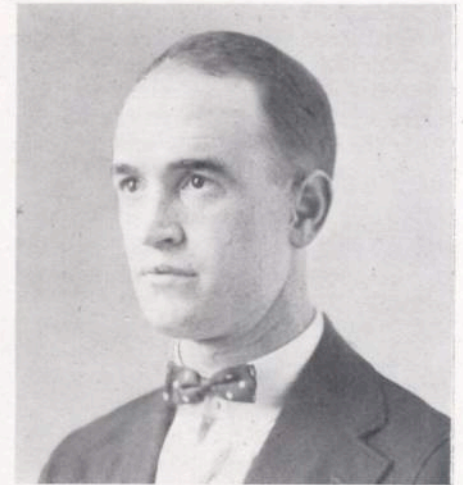


Hose Nozzles Used by Fire Department

The "Spindle" intends in the future to give considerable space to the history of the fire department, which in many ways can be considered one of the departments of the Whitin Machine Works. As a forerunner of this intention we have secured the photographs of the above nozzles, four of which were found while cleaning out the fire-department room.

According to some of our old firemen who served on the department more than forty years ago, the smaller nozzles at the left were used on the hose kept in the Carpenter Shop. The larger one was used on the famous handtub, and the nozzle with the spray arrangement on the top was an idea used years ago to throw a spray of water between the firemen and the fire, thus protecting the hose men from the intense heat. The smallest nozzle is the new shut-off nozzle which goes with the Sea-graves truck and is the last word in nozzles for high-pressure hose.

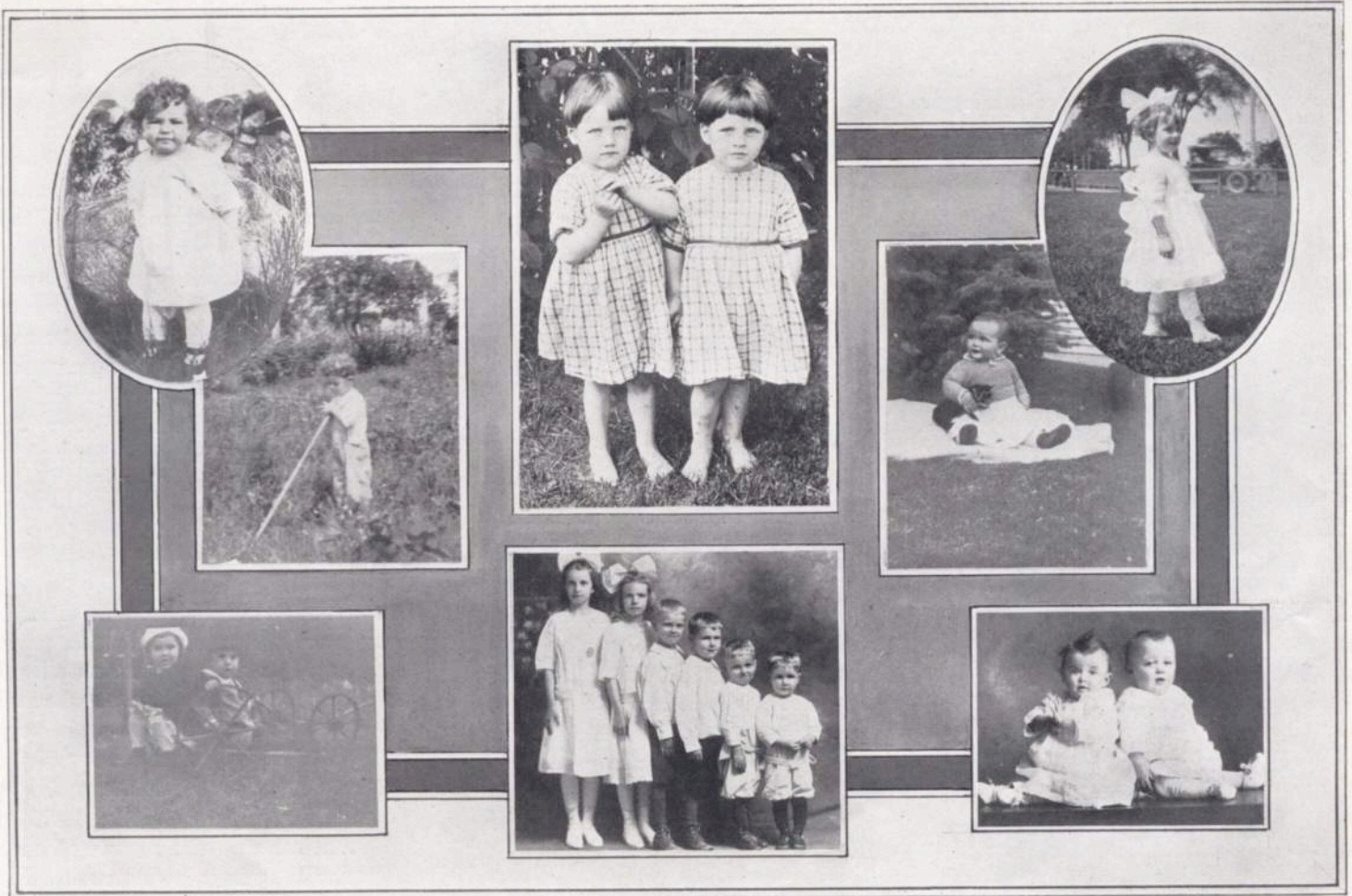
Finishes Apprentices Course



Edward Marcil

Edward Marcil completed his apprenticeship the last week of July of this year. He started with the apprentice class under the new apprentice school system in September, 1919. He has worked on a number of jobs in the shop, including the chuck, drawing, spindle, ring, flyer, drawing roll and metal pattern jobs. Mr. Marcil remains on the metal pattern job as one of the regular members of that organization. We wish to congratulate him on completing the course.

The office girls presented Mildred Quackenbush Sylvester with a floor lamp at a shower held at Camp Wo-he-lo, Tuesday evening, August first.



CHILDREN TO BE PROUD OF

Dorcas M., daughter of Frank Clark, flyer job

This photograph was found in the main alleyway of the freight house. We would be glad to know who the owner is

Eleanor, daughter of Albin Nelson, Repair Department, and Ralph, son of Jeremiah Foley, Main Office

Edna May and Eleanor, twin daughters of Samuel McKee, spinning setting-up job

Anna, Christine, Francis, William, John, and Thomas, children of John Fitzgerald, Card Parts Department

Hilda Victoria, daughter of Claude Gilson, Oil Room
Olivia Elizabeth, daughter of Paul Grant, Drafting Room

James Wilfred and Mary Winifred, grandchildren of Levi Rasco, of the Tin Shop. Mr. Rasco tells us they are nine years old, but he is so proud of them we are going to publish the baby pictures anyway

Libel Suit

Robert Brown of the Drafting Room has started a libel suit against several of his friends for passing around a story concerning his mechanical ability. They base their accusations against Bob on the results obtained from his Ford car after being thoroughly overhauled by its owner. We admit the ability of Brown as a designer and will attend the trial wherever it is held. We will listen with great interest to witnesses for the plaintiff proving his ability with the monkey wrench and screw driver. At present we have been informed that the defendants have unearthed some mighty fine evidence in the fact that Bob lost one gold crown and one filling from his teeth, due to the shaking of the Ford since it was overhauled.

A Rare Ducking

On the afternoon of July 13, when the thermometer was around 94 in the shade, seven members of the bolster job were treated to a rare ducking by the Aberthaw men working on the new shop. A vote was taken by the seven members whether to thank the Aberthaw people or to send in a complaint. The vote stood four to three for thanks, but it was finally agreed that in the future they might point the hose north, east and west and forget about the south.

One of the boardmen was driving down from Worcester recently in the pouring rain when a man hailed him for a lift. The fellow was evidently soaked and before Bunnewith

could open the door for him to get in, the man attempted to climb through the curtains. Having no success at this he attempted to get on top of the automobile, which didn't meet with the driver's approval; and when spoken to in none too pleasant language, the rain-soaked individual attempted to ride the spare tire on behind. By this time Bunnewith decided his friend was an old-timer of the Worcester Insane Asylum, and after inviting him from the tire for a short argument succeeded in driving away and leaving him behind.

When asked later why he didn't return the inmate of the State Hospital to his headquarters and receive a \$5.00 reward, he replied that he was not taking any chances of being invited in for an extended vacation.



Road Men in the South in 1896

George Farrand, one of our road men, now employed on the spooler job, brought in several small pictures taken back in the 90's of the Whitin road men then employed in North Carolina. Frank Bates, foreman of the spinning job, in looking over these snapshots was reminded of a group picture taken in Durham, N. C., in 1896, of seven road men. He brought the above picture in later with the following notes:

This picture was taken in Durham, N. C., in November, 1896, of a group of fitters engaged in erecting machinery in the Erwin Cotton Mill of that city. Standing, back row, left to right, John White, James Leitch, David Vick. Seated in center, left to right, John Mayes, Fred Crossman, Frank Bates. Front row, left to right, George Farrand, Ernest Thayer, Alex. Halewood.

Crossman and Halewood were from Woonsocket Machine & Press Co. Balance of the group were from the Whitin Machine Works.

Leitch, Thayer and Farrand and Bates are still at work for the Whitin Machine Works. Fred Crossman was at that time and until his death, which occurred a few years ago, superintendent of Woonsocket Machine & Press Co.

"Bugs from the Cupola"

Can a Buick trim a motorcycle? For further information ask Bill Donlon. Most people say that a motorcycle will always win, especially if the state police officer is riding it.

The boys in the office spend their evenings picking blueberries in the swamps both near and far.

Dan Connors and Bert Hill spent the week-end at Herring Pond.

Jack Leonard is spending his annual vacation at Oakland Beach.

Con Remanski has given up the automobile game and is taking up music. He is practicing every night on the accordion, so our patrolman, James Quinn, says.

The second annual clambake will be held by the Foundry at Prentice Cove, Saturday, August 12. A first-class bake will be assured for everyone who attends. The following committees have been appointed. General Committee: C. T. Moffet, president; H. L. Mulligan, secretary; D. A. Connors, treasurer; John Freitas and F. A. Walker, assistants. Grounds: William Donlon, Louis R. Veau, Joseph Cheechi, P. H. McGuinness, John Rice. Food: C. Moffett, Henry Topp, William J. Ward. Tonics: P. H. McGuinness. Entertainment: William J. Ward. Caterer: Thomas Fullerton.

Michael Duggan has gone into the second-hand furniture business.

David Smith will entertain the Scottish Pipe Band at his home in Plummers, Saturday, August 12.

Fred Benoit has purchased a Willys-Knight touring car. We are warning all those who travel to be careful or serious trouble may happen.

New Steam Turbine Now Furnishing Power

In the west corner of the power house the new steam turbine is now daily producing the power and light for the Whitin Machine Works. The turbine was started on Monday, July 2, on scheduled time.

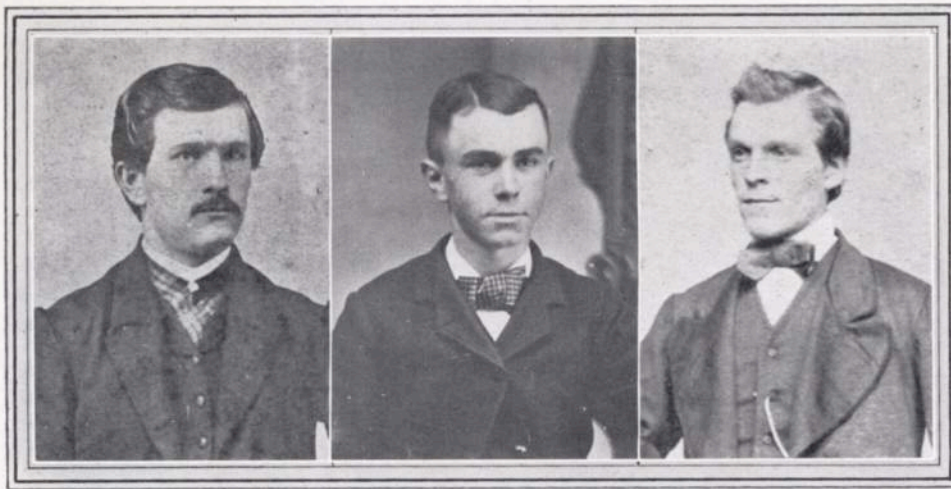
This engine is the very latest word in power-house equipment and

from the standpoint of space occupied and power produced is an exceptionally efficient machine. To those of us who are not versed in engineering problems it seemed almost a criminal waste to sell for junk the two perfectly good engines recently removed from the power house. From outward appearances the old engines seemed to be producing more power, and certainly made much greater display of moving parts than the new turbine with its compact appearance. The only moving part which is visible is the shaft driving the generator, and if we remember rightly less than a foot of this shafting is showing.

Frank Mateer and his son Charles were recently touring Boston when they came to a busy corner and got into a traffic jam. In the absence of a traffic officer, and being in very much of a hurry, Frank got out of the machine and directed traffic so his son could get around the corner. He then made a leap for the running board and was away in a few minutes. His pose as a special policeman was a complete success, as were several of the remarks from the autoists as Frank drove away.



A notice announcing the quality of the Parksonian Quartet, an organization which has had a remarkable career in Whitinsville, was recently handed to the editor. Two of the original four are still singing together at various occasions in town. Mr. Hargraves is a member of the card clothing job and Albert Brown is foreman of the Pattern Loft. We draw attention to the unique way the letter "P" has been used throughout the advertisement.



MYSTERY PICTURES

No. 1

No. 2

No. 3

Since the last two mystery pictures, we have been asked so often why we don't put in some real hard ones, that this month we have a group of three which we doubt if any of the readers of the "Spindle" will be able to solve. All of the men are well known in the shop and have served here for many years.

Last month's mystery picture proved to be quite easy to many of the friends of Hugh Ferguson. However, there was considerable dispute as to whether the photograph was not a picture of Robert Ferguson, a brother of Hugh.

Scott-Dundas

John Scott, a member of the tool job, and Miss Jennie Dundas of Whitinsville, Mass., were married at the home of the bride, Saturday, July 29, at 6 P. M., by the Rev. T. M. Huston. The bride was attended by Miss Mary Hughes; James Scott, a brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Scott made a honeymoon trip to Nova Scotia and on their return will be at home on Church street.

The "Spindle" has announced several times that it will take advertisements from any employees of the Whitin Machine Works free-of-charge. This is the only form of advertising which the "Spindle" accepts, and we wish to assure all the members of the Whitin organization that they should feel perfectly at liberty to let the editor know of anything which they wish to sell or desire.

Mildred Quackenbush, a member of the Main Office force, was married in the Old South Church, Boston, at 4.30 P. M., Saturday, July 15, to Mr. Hamblin R. Sylvester of Worcester. They will be at home at 15 Woodland Road, Whitinsville. Mrs. Sylvester has been receiving the congratulations of her friends at the office since her return from the honeymoon trip, Monday, July 31.

Straw Hat and Cucumbers Have Weird Experience

"Rob" Ferguson of the comber job went to a party recently, sporting a new straw hat, which he showed to several of the members as being one of the best of quality. When he started for home the hat had

taken on a black jap-a-lac finish for which he has been unable to account.

Winfred Jones of the Pattern Loft was also present at the same party, and exhibited some cucumbers which he happened to have along with him, having come to the party by the way of his garden on Arcade Street. Those at the party had all heard of the great garden Jones & Co. have this season, and great interest was shown in the products. When Sally left for home after the party he noticed the cucumbers were missing but was willing to donate them in exchange for his good time. The next day he received by parcel post a new brand of black zebra cucumbers which, when washed in turpentine, looked suspiciously like the party cucumbers of the night before.

Children's Barber Shop

The Whitin Machine Works barber shop at the Blue Eagle Inn is making a specialty of children's hair cutting under the direction of John Shuman who has recently come to Whitinsville. Mr. Shuman has had considerable experience as a barber, having been employed at the Denholm & McKay's children's barber shop in Worcester. Thirteen of the newest styles of children's hair cuts are shown in the illustration on this page.

Newest Styles from Children's Hair-Cutting Shop

Our experts in hair-cutting also know children, note the personality of each child, and give careful workmanship, so it is natural that both methods and results give greatest satisfaction to little folks and their mothers.

- (A) **Baby's First Cut**
When the tiny tot's hair begins to get long and straggly, this cut will strengthen the hair and make it grow evenly.
- (B) **Jeffie Clip (Our own special cut)**
This improves on a Dutch cut in that the corners run up more over the ears, so that the hair does not get in the eyes. It makes an easy comfortable cut for play.
- (C) **Jap Clip**
With bangs and bow. Girls under 10 years find this style suits them very well. The cut can be any length.
- (D) **Dutch Clip.**
A highly favored cut, for boys and girls up to 7 years.
- (E) **Girls' Dutch Clip.**
Flats with bangs for girls to 12. It is not necessary to clip the hair on the neck with this cut.
- (F) **Boys' Hair-Cut.**
Flats with bangs for boys 7 to 10. This surpasses in retaining the childish look without being a Dutch clip.
- (G) **Boys' Cut, Side Part.**
A manly becoming style for most boys, 8 to 10.
- (H) **Pompadour.**
This is a neat, beautiful, attractive cut which makes it very easy to keep the scalp clean.
- (I) **Rodcliffe Clip.**
This style is appropriate for the little lady of 5 to 14, who wears a bow, and gives her hair combed back instead of in bangs.
- (J) **Rah-Rah.**
This cut is quite close on the sides, and combed back. Always a general favorite with boys 8 to 16.
- (K) **Hoover (Our Own Special Cut.)**
This cut is very effective for girls 10 to 17 and practical as well. Its name comes from the fact that it saves hair-ribbons. A hairrette holds the hair in place.
- (L) **Schoolboys' Cut.**
This style parts in the middle, and combs back straight and flat on both sides.
- (M) **Castle Clip.**
Deservingly popular for older girls.

It's No Secret That—

The other day a little chap cried. No one could imagine tears in the jolly Children's Haircutting Shop. What do you think? He didn't want to leave the toys and the good fun he was having. That is the happy sunny spirit that prevails, reminding you of nothing so much as a well-ordered kindergarten.

Children are invited to patronize the Blue Eagle Barber Shop any day except Saturday



PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN AT THE KANEGAFUCHI MILLS, JAPAN

Left to Right: Superintendent of the mills, Mr. S. Miyaki; directing manager; Mr. Mason; Mr. H. Okomoto, of Messrs. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha; and Mr. Holmes

Sydney Mason Returns from Trip to Japan and China

On a trip covering a period of three and one-half months, Sydney R. Mason, secretary of the Whitin Machine Works, traveled approximately 20,500 miles from Whitinsville across the United States to the Hawaiian Islands, Japan, China and return. Mr. Mason crossed the United States via Chicago and the Grand Canyon, leaving here March 15, and arriving in San Francisco March 25. From San Francisco he sailed to Yokohama via Honolulu, a distance of 4,500 miles.

In Japan Mr. Mason at once got in touch with our representatives there and had the pleasure of visiting the most outstanding and important mills in Japan. He had an opportunity to discuss with Japanese mill

owners and engineers some of the problems concerning the installation of new equipment, and to talk over many of the questions that arise when new machinery begins to turn out its product. Such things as settings, tensions, height of machinery, size of cylinders, adjustments of metallic board fingers and tape idlers were among the problems to solve.



F. R. Pratt enjoys a stroll in a Japanese garden

Mr. Mason visited mills and talked with mill men in various cities of

Japan. Among the cities visited were Tokio, Omori, Kamakura, Nikko, Numadzu, Kyoto, Mito, Osaka, Nagoya, Kobe, etc.

In Yokohama Mr. Mason met and conferred with one of our supervisors of construction, John F. Holmes. Mr. Mason arrived in Japan about the same time Frederick R. Pratt, who was here in Whitinsville in the spring, left for the United States.



Philip Reilly with textile men of China

In the middle of May, Mr. Mason left Japan for Shanghai, China, where he was met by Philip Reilly, another of our supervisors of construction. In China as in Japan, he visited the mills and conferred with some of the leading men in the textile industry. In both countries he spent a portion of his time visiting places of historic interest.

Mr. Mason was very much interested in China and Japan, especially in the economic and political conditions of both countries. It seems to be the impression of the people from the various countries of the world who are acting as representatives in China and Japan, that regardless

of the "ups and downs" of the political situation, it is only a matter of time, although slower than one would wish for, before Japan and China will become two of the greatest markets of the world.

Mr. Mason returned to Japan from China and returned to America via Vancouver, Lake Louise and Montreal, Canada.

JAPANESE VIEWS

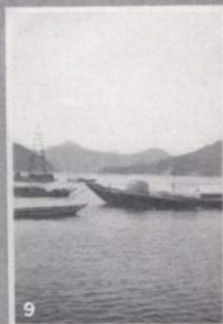
1. At Nikko. Shinto Shrine, the most ornate and glorious of the country.
2. Model Japanese garden near Kagoto, at the Daigo-Ji Temple.
3. Sacred bridge at Kyoto. Open only to the Mikado. The Prince of Wales was allowed to cross on his recent visit to Japan.
4. Fishing sampan off a typical coast of Japan.
5. Tori at Yamada, with view of Japanese women carrying babe according to their national custom. The straight arch is a sign of pure Shinto, and therefore is the approach to one of the most sacred places of worship.
6. Market scene in Japanese village at Miyajema, with cotton awnings over the entire width of the street.
7. Mr. Mason feeding sacred deer at Nara.
8. Typical scene, showing women carrying burdens. The small child is carrying a baby on her back.
9. Fishing scene at Mito, showing watch tower and bamboo fishing basket on sampan. Watchman locates the fish schools from the tower.
10. Threshing barley in the fields.
11. Ferry carrying bullock with loaded cart across the stream near Tokyo.
12. Ship tree, trained by Japanese gardeners at the Golden Pavilion.
13. Famous sea tori off Miyajema in the Inland Sea. This sea tori signifies a temple on the shore.

CHINESE VIEWS

14. Chinese junk on Wampoon River below Shanghai. It has an eye on its bow to see where it is going. A strange but interesting idea.
15. Chinese country boy on burro outside the walls of Peking.
16. Watch tower on the wall between the Chinese and the legation sections of Peking, showing camels coming in with their burdens, and typical Chinese rickshaws.
17. Marble boat on the lake at the Summer Palace of the Empress Dowager, outside of Peking.
18. Searching suspected Chinese from train coming from Kalgan, at Peking, for treason in the present revolution and opium smuggling.
19. Mr. Mason in car seized by Chinese military, when chauffeur had offended one of the soldiers, the city being under martial law. The chauffeur was fined 50 cents Mexican, or about 30 cents.
20. Mrs. Mason on the walls of the city of Souchow. Something over three quarter of a million of Chinese live within the walled city, and in the immediate section some five million. Here one sees all industry conducted as it has been for a number of centuries.
21. Street scene in Souchow, where one must ride in sedan chairs or on a burro if one does not walk. Picture taken shows the forward coolie who carried Mr. Mason as he snapped photograph.
22. Marble lion and bridge, which forms the approach to one of the guard towers of the forbidden city. Walls are of pink color, while guard-house is covered with yellow tiles which have been there for centuries.
23. Section of great wall of China, extending over the mountains for 1,500 miles.
24. Outer Temple of Heaven, one of the wonders of the world, which is of beautiful carved marble and is in extensive grounds, covering 3½ square miles within the city of Peking.
25. Inner Temple of Heaven, with its beautiful, blue-tile roof pagoda with solid-gold dome capping. Middle slab of stone steps is carved with dragons and is one solid piece, over which Emperor is carried to temple.



John F. Holmes at the home of an engineer of the Kanegafuchi Mills





Leon Warren of the comber job snapped the above photograph of Bertram A. Dixon of the Carpenter Shop gathering laurel in the woods near Old Douglas. Some of the flower shops in the big cities would give a big sum for a prize branch like that one.

Foundry Becomes Interested in Silk Mills at Rocky Point

Fifteen members of the Foundry, including the foremen and several from the office, went to Rocky Point for a day's outing Saturday, July 29. On their arrival at their destination they were met by a party of young ladies from the Penikees Mills of Valley Falls, R. I., who were holding their annual outing and field day. On receiving an invitation from the committee of the Penikees Silk Mills employees, the foundry delegation joined the latter in their field sports, which were held on the ball field. The feature events were a girls' ball game, wheelbarrow race, tug-of-war, and balloon race. The winners of the different events were given chocolates and a large portion of the prizes found their way to the Whitinsville rooters. The boys enjoyed the numerous stunts and arguments of the ball nines.

After a real old-fashioned Rhode Island shore dinner the boys retired to the bathing beach to enjoy the scenery.

The management of the silk mills

had reserved the dancing pavilion from five to six-thirty p. m., and the fifteen foundry men were not slow in accepting a special invitation to make use of the dancing floor. It is needless to say that the boys enjoyed themselves.

After a theatre party which was later held in Providence, it was unanimously decided that the Whitinsville representatives should start wearing silk shirts in appreciation of the good time made possible by the committee of the Penikees Mills.

Remembered by Fellow Workers

Merwin Brown was presented with a gold Eversharp pencil, Tuesday, July 26, by the members of the Blacksmith Shop. Mr. Brown has been employed as a timekeeper in Mr. Burlin's office for the last year or so, and the members of the job took this occasion to express their regret that he was leaving them. Mr. Brown has been transferred to the bolster job.

A Flood There Was but No Fatality

Eugene Thomas of the gear job was taking life easy in his back yard recently when he noticed a good-sized rat on top of his galvanized iron, waste-paper barrel. In a few seconds the rat had disappeared through a hole in the cover into the barrel. Thomas saw a mighty good chance to get rid of the rat easily and, getting a piece of stove pipe, pushed it into the hole, thus making a first-class trap. His next move was to make about forty trips with as many buckets of water; and he was beginning to wonder how many more it would take to flood that barrel, when friend wife called from the back door, "Eugene, why all the exercise?" After a rapid explanation his wife informed him that there was a hole in the lower side of the barrel. This statement was soon verified and Thomas admitted that the joke was on himself to the extent of telling the boys about it on the gear job.

Honorable Mention

Our Chevrolet sedan owner of the Pay Roll Department, Miss Hanny, should at least have honorable mention for the presence of mind shown while driving down Taylor Hill recently. Eye witnesses report that she made one of the prettiest dodges possible from the road to the bank and back to the road again, just missing a child of Dr. Quinn. We are glad to report that the examiners made no mistake in passing Miss Hanny as a competent driver.



A Dark Mystery

The "Spindle" has purposely avoided the possibility of becoming a scandal sheet, but there are certain things in the lives of the Whitin Machine Works men which we believe should be known to the public. The above picture is no exception to this. Mr. Halpin was caught red-handed by the camera man flirting with one of the fair damsels of the beach resort where he was spending his vacation. The lady in question is an inhabitant of Whitinsville and we will be glad to receive guesses as to the mysterious person's identity. We assure you that Mr. Halpin takes this very much to heart and we would advise against jollying him to any great extent in regard to the matter. However, at the time the photograph was taken, he seemed to be enjoying himself immensely.