

Familiar. Faces

Around the Plant



Raymond S. Fitton, Grinder Job, has been at Whitin 20 years. Married, with one son, he enjoys motor boating at Point Judith



Sidney R. Baker, supervisor on the Tool Job, is now on his 33rd year at Whitin. He gardens and raises a few chickens



Miss Angelina "Giggie" Fettuccia of Wage Standards is an outdoor girl who enjoys swimming, badminton, and riding horse



Harry McQuade, Department 411, lives in Milford. The owner of six horses, his hobbies are riding and teaching riding



Joseph V. Courteau, Roll Job, is on his 49th year at Whitin. Among his hobbies are fishing, gardening and cutting hair



Mrs. Edna Berquist, telephone operator, has been here 13 years. Her son, Robert L., is a graduate of Providence College



Adelard Audett, Small Planers, is on his 34th year here. Born in Armagh, Canada, he spent last winter in Florida fishing

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Jantzen

Everything According To Form

Nor all the world is in bad shape. Thanks to Jantzen "Shape-insurance," the women at least will be in "top form" this summer. "Shape-insurance" is a new Jantzen figuremaking technique which has been achieved in swim suit design. The men aren't neglected either, for, from the youngsters playing ball on the beach to the more sedate acquiring suntans, many will be wearing

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This young lady verifies that not all the world is in poor shape



A combination of skilled operators and the best machines is hard to beat. In addition to Whitin Roving frames, Jantzen uses Whitin Spinning frames and Twisters



With Jantzen, as with Whitin, good design is an important factor, and at Jantzen this group is responsible for the practical and attractive designs of swim suits and sunclothes

Right: Only the best raw materials are used in the making of Jantzen products

JANTZEN

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Color and moth-proofing in one operation. The dye house, using chrome dyes for dark colors and acid dyes for light shades, does piece dyeing, shown here, as well as top dyeing and skein dyeing



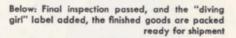
At each stage of the manufacturing process skilled laboratory technicians are continually making tests



In this well-lighted room layout and cutting are done



Above: Each Jantzen sweater and swim suit is inspected to make sure it is cut to exact size. This assures that the garment will keep its shape after exposure to sun and water





JANTZEN

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the latest styles in beachwear manufactured by this famous international organization.

The Jantzen plant itself is also in good shape. Whitin recently completed the installation of additional textile machines at the Jantzen plant in Portland, Oregon, where 1300 people are employed. In producing over two million pieces of merchandise last year this plant not only used Whitin machines but also purchased large quantities of cotton fabrics from other valued Whitin customers such as Cohn-Hall-Marx, M. Lowenstein and Sons, and Beaunit Mills, Inc.

The Jantzen story has an international flavor. Employing a total of 5000 persons, Jantzen has six domestic factories plus connections with foreign plants in sixteen countries, all this side of the Iron Curtain. They employ or retain an international staff of top-flight designers whose study of style trends creates new and original designs for swim suits, sunclothes, sweaters and seven other products.

Good design is only the first step. Jantzen buys only the highest quality raw materials. For example, their wool, bought in the eastern market, is imported from South Africa or Australia. Jantzen dyes, spins and finishes all its yarn. Each day they process more than 42,000 miles of yarn—enough to reach more than one-and-a-half times around the world.

To the ingredients of design and quality raw materials is added a combination of skilled operators and the best machines. Whitin machines perform the roving, spinning and twisting operations.

Jantzen, like Whitin, produces a quality product at a reasonable price by joining high-speed production to exacting inspection. At each stage laboratory technicians continually test, for to wear the "diving girl" emblem a garment must be flawless.

Layout workers mark around cardboard patterns with chalk. Cutters, using high-speed electric machines, whizz through the fabric while maintaining an accuracy closer than \(\frac{1}{16} \) inch. Invisible fluid that will show under black light marks the placement of buttons and buttonholes.

Jantzen "Shape-insurance"—the assurance that a Jantzen garment will slim and trim and smooth and curve and plane—is due to the fact that no Jantzen swim suit or sweater is ever shrunk or stretched to size. By cutting and sewing, each garment is tailored to the desired dimensions before being pressed on a wire form of corresponding measurement.

The finished garment is then examined with infinite care. If it is perfect the "diving girl" emblem is added. The goods are packed ready for shipment, and clever ad writers prepare their eye-catching copy. Whitin has helped another firm to produce a quality product bought by Whitin workers.



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A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

The Boy Scouts were started by a great soldier, British Brevet Colonel Robert Baden-Powell, who for 217 heroic days—from October 13, 1899, to May 18, 1900—defended the strategic town of Mafeking against overwhelming odds. His successful defense made him a hero to the boys of England.

In 1908 Baden-Powell, long interested in boys, published his Scouting For Boys. Although started by a soldier, the numerous troops and patrols which sprang up were not military organizations. Rather they were an intelligent use of the gang—the habit of boys to collect together into groups.

The Boy Scouts have become a World Movement. In this Country they have been a great force for good. We are happy to have them on our front cover and to publish the article which starts on page 8.

FRONT COVER: Boy Scouts are always ready to lend a helping hand to a companion or others on a moment's notice. Assisting Paul Buma up a steep, slippery incline on the dam at Whitin Reservoir are Tommy Baker and Kenneth Arakelian.



Whitin Personality

FOR KENNETH E. BENNER, supervisor of job evaluation and shop wage administration, an interest in the outdoors is as natural as breathing. He was born in Waldoboro, Maine, on May 15, 1898, just in time to be on hand for the opening of fishing season. While of late years he has been too busy to devote much time to the rod and reel, a wistful look comes into his eyes whenever he speaks of landlocked salmon. "This year," he murmured, "I'd like to go salmon fishing on Sebago again."

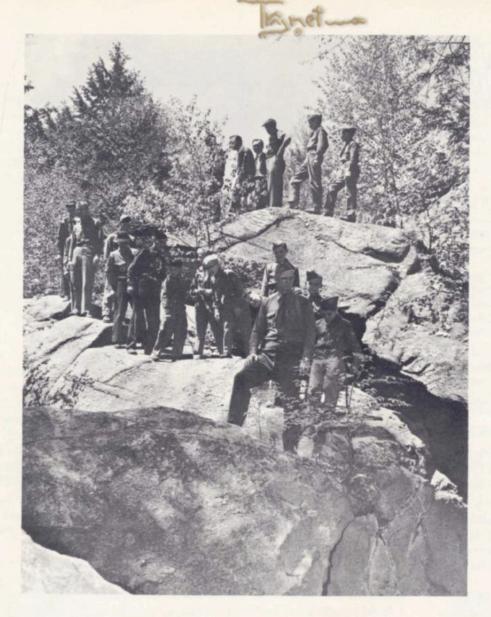
While his family moved to Whitinsville in 1906, Ken as a boy spent most of his summers on a Waldoboro farm. When the Northbridge schools closed for the summer, he was off for the Maine hayfields. "In those days I could handle a hay fork in good shape," he claims.

Thus, three years after his graduation from Northbridge High, in 1918 he took as his bride Miss Helen Achorn of Waldoboro. Their two sons and a daughter have presented them with five grandchildren. "Grandchildren are even more fun than your own children," Ken observed, "for a grandparent can have all the fun without the everyday worries."

Ken began work at Whitin on Comber Small Parts under Ben Graves in February of 1916. Two years later, at the request of Stuart F. Brown, he transferred to the "Efficiency" department, which in those days combined the present duties of the Time Study, Production and Cost departments. To correct what he considered deficiencies in his schooling, Ken, through correspondence schools, studied higher mathematics, accounting, mechanical drawing, and business.

In 1922 Ken was placed in charge of Timekeeping, Tabulation, and Costs. It was he who set up the original locations of time clocks and timekeeping stations. From 1937 to 1943 he was in charge of Costs. In 1943, when he was appointed to his present position, he worked with Ernst and Ernst in setting up the present method of job evaluation.

Ken and Mrs. Benner own the five-room cottage, built in 1950, in which they live on William Ward Street, North Uxbridge. Ken, who for fifteen years was active in the boy scout work, is a member of the Grange and a trustee of the Methodist Church.



By its nature scouting develops a knowledge of and a liking for life in the open. Here Ralph Aspinwall, Department 410, takes a group of valley area scouts for a nature hike at Purgatory Chasm. Study of the rocks indicates this mighty split may have been caused by an earthquake

On My Honor,

I WILL DO MY BEST;

To do my duty to God and my Country and to obey the Scout Law.

To help other people at all times.

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

By the flickering light of campfires this year 143 Northbridge boys, with sturdy bodies and earnest faces, will repeat the Scout Promise. Living, working, and playing with other boys, they will strive to follow the twelve points of the Scout Law—to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

No one needs to sell scouting to these boys. To them scouting is a fascinating game played under the leadership of boys with the wise guidance and counsel of an adult who has still the enthusiasm of youth in him. A game, but to parents it is a purposeful game that builds character and trains for citizenship. Any parent who does not permit his son to participate in scout activity is depriving his boy of one of the richest experiences available to a youngster.

Before a boy is old enough to be a Boy Scout he can be a Cub Scout. For the little fellows of 8, 9 and 10, St. Patrick's Church sponsors Cub Pack 150 with seventeen boys and the United Presbyterian Church sponsors Cub Pack 155 with twenty-four boys.

When a boy is eleven he may join a scout troop. In theory each troop consists of four patrols of eight boys each; in practice the number varies somewhat. There are in Northbridge four troops. Troop 133, sponsored by Trinity Episcopal Church, has 23 scouts. Troop 145, sponsored by St. Peter's Church, has 41 scouts. St. Patrick's Troop 150 is the largest with a total of 44 boys. In Troop 155, sponsored by the United Presbyterian Church, there are 35.

At the age of fourteen a boy becomes an Explorer. At this time he may remain with his troop as a junior



Parents of these patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders need never worry about their sons becoming lost in the woods. At a Scout Traineree at the John Dudley Memorial Forest near Purgatory Chasm they are learning how to use a pathfinder's compass in order to train the other boys of their patrol



Albert Cummings, right, marvels at the enormous appetites developed by lads working and playing in the open. Flapjacks in the pan, hunter's stew in the kettle, and seconds for everyone. These fellows are good cooks and can bake bread, biscuits, or an apple pie at their outdoor fires



There is an art to pitching a tent, and these fellows can do it properly. Tent is on well-drained ground; pegs are in firmly; the correct knots have been used. In such a tent scouts sleep warm, dry, and comfortable despite wind and rain



Left: Scouts learn by doing. This group is learning the types of wood to use in building a good fire and the types to avoid. The boys at the fire are showing why rotten damp wood is unsuitable. The boy at the extreme right is bringing an armload of bone-dry cedar, one of the best of fuels. The other



boys are holding green hardwood, left, and dry hardwood, center. Right: All scouts are trained in first aid. This is a demonstration of the latest method of artificial respiration, a part of the requirement for Second Class Scouts. Such training has saved many lives.

assistant scoutmaster or he may join an Explorer troop, the Sea Scouts, or the Air Scouts. In the Town of Northbridge this age group has Sea Scout Ship 112 with 28 apprentice seamen.

At each stage the scout is taught how to take care of himself and to live in the open. The tenderfoot becomes a second class scout by learning "hiking skills"—first aid, camp cooking, and how to handle knife and axe. He is a first class scout when he has learned the "camping skills"—how to make camp, make a bed, and pitch a tent. Then by earning merit badges he can progress to Star Scout, Life Scout, and Eagle Scout.

In the Town of Northbridge troops there are 95 tenderfeet, 30 second class scouts, 14 first class scouts and four star scouts.

The average adult scout leader gives about eight hours a week to scout work. Many of them are Whitin employees, and each is sincerely convinced of the value of the Boy Scouts. Each stressed that, as the record number of boys born in recent years reaches scout age, additional sponsoring agencies and scout workers will be needed in the Town of Northbridge. The same condition prevails in the other towns in the valley area. Scout workers are needed in Grafton, Upton, East Douglas, and Sutton.

Perhaps the work of the Boy Scouts is best summed up in the words of Irving Dalton, holder of the coveted Silver Beaver Award: "Scouting teaches boys to live, work, and play in harmony with other boys. I believe that in this world that is an important contribution."





Left: Even while not in the open the Scouts carry on a busy program. For example, Troop 145, of St. Peter's Church, took top honors at the Cavalcade of Scouting with their display of scout badges and patches from 48 states, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and 27 foreign countries. To make this collection the boys of this troop wrote over 600 letters and made "pen pals" in foreign lands. Shown with the Scout Masters in center of second row is Roland Dion, Department 420. Right: These Whitin workers are some of the men who

make scouting possible. Additional workers are always welcomed. Front row, from the left: Scoutmaster Cyril Taylor, District Committeeman Lester Murray, Scoutmaster George Aspinwall, Scoutmaster Roland Dion, Scoutmaster Robert Walker. Rear row: Assistant Scoutmaster Robert Trottier, District Committeeman Ralph Aspinwall, District Committee Chairman Joseph Gauvin, Assistant Scoutmaster Albert Cummings, District Committeeman Edwin Davis. If you wish to help, join them

Hobby-

Pursuing Toby Jugs

Part of the interest in the collecting of Tobies is due to their great variety, for they have been made at all periods, many in small local potteries. In Gordon's collection are jugs made in the United States, England, France, Canada, the Netherlands, Germany and Italy. The Italian piece is a small 3" figure, possibly used to hold wine, made about 1875. Others are older, as the small Canadian jug shaped about 1820.

The materials likewise vary. Napoleon is made of green majolica. Certain American ones, made about 1848, are of brown Benningtonware. Some are of lustreware, a process whose secret of manufacture is lost.

Some seven or eight years ago Gordon L. Spence, wage standards engineer, entered an antique dealer's shop in hot pursuit of a left-handed mustache cup. He's still looking for the cup, but when he emerged he had purchased from Mrs. Frank Searles, the first of his collection of thirty Toby jugs and was well on his way to a new and interesting hobby.

Toby jugs are made of pottery in the shape of a man's head or figure. The common ones are often Dickens' characters. Varying in height from 3" to 16", made in potteries all over the earth, and made of every type of pottery for a great number of original purposes, most Tobies at some period have seen service in taverns as beer pitchers. Perhaps it is for that reason that really old ones in unchipped condition are rare and hard to find.

Many Tobies have interesting histories. Take, for example, the 14" high blue jug made in the form of a jolly pot-bellied monk. It was made about 1885 in a French monastery and was originally used to hold the batter for the monk's breakfast of flapjacks. At the time Gordon purchased it in Wakefield, Rhode Island, it was being used as a cocktail shaker.

"Judy," the tall jug with the tasseled-hat stopper, is of English manufacture. It was bought in Eastport, Maine, from a sixty-year old lady. When a ten-year old child, she often was sent with it to fetch her pappy's beer from the local pub.

One of the most unusual pieces in Gordon's collection is, strictly speaking, not a Toby, but a six-inch diameter ironstone mug which has a crackled clear glaze and a large frog clinging to the inside. Made in England about 1810, it was used in both taverns and homes.

If you were handed it in a tavern it was a signal that you had had too much to drink and that your beer had been cut off for the evening. Used in a home, it was a signal to a guest that his presence was unwelcome, that he should leave at once, and that he should not return. If you should visit Gordon and Majorie Spence at their home at 121 Hill Street, and should be handed this mug, the implication is clear.



Kenneth, 7 year old son of Gordon Spence, is curious about one of the most unusual pieces in his father's toby jug collection. This type of jug, with a frog clinging to the inside, was used in taverns and when handed to a customer it was a signal that he had had too much to drink

(Gordon has some of pink lustre and some of blue lustre.) Two made in France of Limoge china were decorated in Rockdale by local people during the period it was fashionable to paint porcelain. The initials of the painters appear on the bottoms.

There may be a few of these jugs in other Whitinsville homes. They are not too common even in the hands of antique dealers. Gordon is most willing to look at any that local persons may have. Majorie prefers to collect the small demitasse cups which date back 50 or 75 years.

Gordon and Majorie Spence are the parents of 9-year old Robert and 7-year old Kenneth.



Mr. Bolton presenting Whitin diploma to John Baker, Tool Maker. Looking on are William F. Patterson, of U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., and Joseph E. Johnson of U. S. Department of Labor, Boston, Mass.

Diplomas Presented to 18 Apprentices in Graduation Exercises

The annual graduation exercises of the Apprentice School were held in the School's auditorium at 3 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 1954. J. Hugh Bolton, President of the Whitin Machine Works, and William F. Patterson, Director of the Bureau of Apprenticeship, U. S. Department of Labor, were the principal speakers on the occasion and presented to the eighteen graduates Whitin diplomas and the Commonwealth's certificates attesting their having attained first class journeyman's status in their respective trades.

Among the graduates receiving Whitin diplomas from Mr. Bolton were the first apprentices to complete five-year apprenticeship courses. In his address Mr. Bolton pointed out that this was the first class of graduates in which there were representatives of the three-year, four-year and five-year programs. He paid particular tribute to two apprentices, John C. Baker and Jerome J. Rodman, who won special awards during their period

of training. Mr. Baker was one of two Massachusetts apprentices chosen by the National Association of Manufacturers as outstanding in their trades; and Mr. Rodman received the second highest award in a National Molding contest sponsored by the American Foundrymen's Society.

Noting that the graduating class included plumbers, electricians, toolmakers, cabinet makers, molders, wood patternmakers, metal patternmakers, a draftsman and several types of erectors, Mr. Bolton stated that Whitin was proud to have enabled the graduates to add so much to their skills and to their potentialities in the future. At the conclusion of his address Mr. Bolton congratulated each graduate as he received his diploma from the President of our Company.

Mr. Patterson, who presented the State's certificates, had come specially from Washington to attend these exercises and had spent the previous part of the day rigorously examining all phases of the Whitin Machine Works' apprentice program. In addition to questioning the staff and reviewing its courses and procedures, Mr. Patterson toured the shop and discussed the apprentice program with apprentices and with apprentice graduates. In his speech he referred to his inspection of our Apprentice Division and paid glowing tribute to the Whitin program. Mr. Patterson expressed the hope that more industries would emulate our Company and inaugurate and maintain so fine an apprentice program.

Among others at the speakers' table were: Frank N. Stone, Personnel Director; John H. Cunningham, Superintendent; E. O. Pierson, Works Manager; Luke L. Lomartire, Apprentice Director; Joseph E. Johnson, Regional Director of the U. S. Bureau of Apprenticeship and Martin Salmon of the Bureau's Worcester office. In addition to the persons mentioned, all of the enrolled apprentices, many representatives of management, some employees, and parents of graduates, attended.



Shown seated are the eighteen new journeymen who have been added to America's skilled labor supply. Front row, from the left: Robert F. Shaw, Wood Pattern Maker; Henry D. Audette, Plumber; William L. Belanger, Metal Pattern Maker; Armand Cournoyer, Wood Pattern Maker; David B. Richardson, Wood Pattern Maker; Joseph H. Zanchetti, Erector; George M. Mills, Toolmaker; and Jerame J. Rodman, Molder. Second row: Jack M. Evers, Electrician; Kendall E. Prior, Erector; John C. Baker, Toolmaker; Edmund Bartlett, Electrician; Dean H. Davis, Plumber; David T. Stiles, Erector; Robert F. Troitier, Draftsman; Joseph V. Zito, Cabinet Maker; Thaddeus C. Minior, Toolmaker; and Charles W. Sprague, Toolmaker. Standing, from the left: Erik O. Pierson, Works Manager; Martin Salmon, Apprentice Consultant, U. S. Department of Labor; Joseph E. Johnson, Regional Director, U. S. Department of Labor; William E. Patterson, National Director, Bureau of Apprenticeship, U. S. Department of Labor; J. Hugh Bolton, President; Luke L. Lomartire, Director of Apprentices; Frank N. Stone, Personnel Director; and J. H. Cunningham, Superintendent

Browns Win First-Half in Play-off Game

By James Brosnahan

At the half-way mark of the third season of Little League competition in Northbridge it is clear that steady progress has been made in developing players. The team managers are to be congratulated that their youthful charges are markedly advanced in three desirable qualities—leadership, sportsmanship, and athletic ability.

For example, the two outstanding clubs—last year's pennant-winning Braves and the Browns—have nucleoli of seasoned players. In all phases of the game they are superior to any other youngsters of this age group we have seen heretofore. Each of these teams had a record of seven wins and two losses in first-half play.

A play-off game, won by the Browns, was played on June 8. This game, in which the final score was 7-1, was for four innings one of the best we've seen recently. The fast-starting Braves took a 1-0 lead off "Lefty" Pete Haggerty in the first. For four innings Leo Mahoney really mowed the Browns down, only to lose his

control of the ball at the last of the fourth and again in the sixth inning. Save for those occasions, both teams had great pitching, a tight defense, and timely hitting.

During the first half last year's cellar-dwellers, the Phillies, showed improvement with three wins and six losses. The Cubs, potentially a good team, won one and lost eight. During the second half each of these teams should give the Browns and Braves more trouble.

As the Little League entered the second half of its schedule, the spotlight shifted to the older boys who opened the Intermediate League schedule on June 21. In the second year of Intermediate play it is apparent that there is more improvement than could be explained by age and growth alone. The experience gained in Little League play is obviously paying off.

I regret that when these boys graduate from the Intermediate League that more than high school ball is not open to them. While it is still early, I feel that if the Valley League should reopen, by 1956 Whitin could field a good team composed largely of local talent—perhaps fifteen local players on a twenty-man roster—rather than having to draw the bulk of the players from outside as formerly.

Of course the textile business would have to pick up first, but these boys have the polish, conditioning, and ability. As it was in the 1920's, when Whitin and Rockdale used local talent and needed to tip their hats to no one, so it could be in 1956.

It is good to see that the attendance at the games played by both leagues has increased. We've found a gold mine of talent in our own boys; we've found that we've a gold mine of local instructors; we've built a good foundation. Personally I think the future holds a lot of promise.



From the very beginning, Little Leaguers learn how baseball should be played. Under the supervision of Leo Roy, Manager of the Browns, Allan Lightbown and Jimmie Leonard give a demonstration, for the benefit of their teammates, on the technique of covering the bag and sliding. Ernie Bonoyer, Cubs Manager, is shown on the extreme right

LIGHTER SIDE





In 1913, the federal government spent about \$700 million a year, just one third as much as state and local governments. In fiscal 1953, federal spending totaled \$74.6 billion, almost two and one half times the cost of state and local governments.

Jest a Joke

Judge: "Why did you shoot your husband with a bow and arrow?" Prisoner: "I didn't want to wake the children."

Doctor: "The best thing for you to do is to give up drinking and smoking, get up early every morning, get to bed early every night, and especially to quit chasing girls."

Patient: "Somehow, doctor, I feel I don't deserve the best. What's second best?"

"We musn't overlook the most insignificant detail," said the worried bride-to-be.

"Don't worry about him," said her mother, "he'll be there."

Warkman: "Boss, can you raise my wages?"

Boss: "Well, I have so far, sonny.

Just go back to work, and I'll
see if I can make it again this
week."

"Notice the large bear skin on the floor," said the long-winded explorer. "I shot it in Alaska. It was a close thing—a case of him or me."

"It's just as well," yawned his listener, "the bear probably made a better rug."

Husband: "Darling, I've just had my life insured for \$15,000."

Wife: "Good! Now I won't have to warn you to drive carefully anymore."

Waitress: "I'd have you know this coffee is good—it was imported from Brazil."

Customer: "Amazing! It's still warm."

Bill Steele: "Why do you keep looking at your watch?"

Caddy: "Sir, this isn't a watch—it's a compass."

Clerk: "These are exceptionally strong shirts, sir. They simply laugh at the laundry."

Customer: "So that's the reason they have been coming back with their sides split."

Sue: "So you and Edward are engaged. I suppose he didn't tell you he was engaged to me last year?"

Lou: "Well, he did say something about being ashamed of his past, but he didn't go into details."

Doctor: "The pain in your leg is due to old age."

Patient: "Nonsense! The other leg is just as old and it's perfectly all right."

Old Lady: "Are you a little boy or a little girl?"

Child: "What the heck else would I be?"

Cop: "Don't you know what I mean when I hold up my arm?"

Old Lady: "Of course I do young man. I was a schoolteacher for thirty years."

Grand Canyon Guide: "It took millions of years to carve this great abyss."

Tourist: "Government job, eh?"

Dad: "Have you made up your mind to stay in?"

Daughter: "No, I've made up my face to go out."



KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUT-OFF JOBS

by Maurice P. Valois

Another vacation period has come and gone and everyone is sporting a new shade. Some have a real suntan, others are more on the boiled lobster style. However, it seems everybody enjoyed this leave from work and as they all want you to know what they did we'll start first with our ladies. Gloria LaRoche airlined to Miami Beach, Florida. . . June Boisvert stayed home, and wrote daily letters to someone in the Air Force. . . . John Wojcik had no idea where to go; he stayed home also. . Aarne Nelson fished all the streams in this area. . . . Gerry Lemire enjoyed the company of a keg of nails and a good hammer while working on his house. . . Simon Bosma and his new Chevie took to the roads and last seen was heading home from a southern state. . . . Ralph Aspin-wall went camping in New Hampshire. . Harold Kelliher travelled the New England states. . . . Pasquale DeBellis visited New York and Salem, N. H., where Rockingham race track is also located. . Hap Woeller went to New Jersey and camped in Maine. . . . George Vacher and Ernest Lemire also drove through the beautiful New England States. . . . Leo Cote baby-sat the entire vacation. . . Chief E. Closson, Harvey Croteau, and John Bartlinski were guests in the state of Maine. . . John Steele and Joseph Hvizdash visited Pennsylvania. . . . Herman R. Hathaway visited Vermont. Lorenzo Boulanger spoke French in Montreal. . . . Emile Aussant went to New York to see the Yanks. . . . John Kortecamp, Mike Yozura, and Mike Bodnar all went deep-sea fishing off the Rhode Island coast. . . . Henry Charron drove to

Connecticut for a few days. . . . Sheriff Nichols tells me he took in East Overshoes, Maine . . . (even smaller than Upton) where he went fishing. I stayed home.

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Edmond Gonzales was born in New York City in 1921. In 1940 Ed moved to his present residence on Claffin Street, Milford, Mass. In November of that year he began work at the Whitin Machine Works, starting under Andy Baird on Card Small Parts. Eight months later he came to Department 402 where he is now a first-class pattern maker. Ed is married to the former Constance Julian, who was born in Italy and migrated to the United States at the age of five years, Ed and Constance have a five-year-old son, Edmond. As an antiaircraft gunner Ed served in England, France and Belgium while in the Army. Ed's hobbies are fishing and radio work.

Rein Workman, who retired some years ago and has been living in Michigan, was a recent visitor to the department. . . . After a nine-week illness Lawrence Bombara is back at work. . . John Sohigian, who recently retired, looked well when he paid the department a visit. . . Francis Spratt has moved back to his old surroundings on Spring Street. . . Foreman Gerrit Dykstra's daughter graduated from high school, as did Francis Spratt's son. . . . Bob Caston and Andy Frieswick, with plenty of orders for fish, are planning a week end of fishing at the Cape. Bob says they plan to rough it.

Friends Honor Montgomery

"Of the many pleasant things which happened to me during my 60 years in the Whitin Machine Works, one of the nicest was the party given in my honor when I retired," Bill Montgomery said quietly. "I am grateful to everyone who helped and especially to the young ladies of the department."

It was on February 14, 1880 that Bill was born on Railroad Avenue in Whitinsville. On June 4, 1894, he began work at the age of fourteen years filing rolls under the supervision of B. L. Smith. In later years he worked on the Spindle Job and the Loom Job. In 1924 he became a member of the Production Department where he worked as an expediter until his retirement on May 31.

Bill's career in the Whitin Machine Works and tales of Bill's days in baseball will be long remembered throughout the Blackstone Valley. As a baseball player his greatest thrill came when he won a game for Whitinsville 1–0 by stealing home. As an umpire his most exciting moment was the day he put Jesse Burkett out of a ball game at Millbury.

On June 10, 1954, more than a hundred of his friends gathered at the Klondike Inn to honor him with a turkey banquet.

Bill's many friends wish him happiness in his retirement.



When William "Gummy" Montgomery retired on May 28, 1954, he received, among other honors, a purse from the girls of the Production Department. "Gummy" would have completed sixty years with Whitin on June 4, 1954. The presentation was made by Julia McMullin



The second annual track and field meet, sponsored by the Whitinsville Track and Field Association at the John Lasell Memorial Field on June 5, attracted more than 155 high school and college athletes. In a special five-mile road race which preceded the high school program, John Lafferty, of the Quonset Naval Air Base, lowered his own record with a winning time of 26:16.5. Robert Gibson, President of the Whitinsville Track and Field Association, presented the trophy

STOCK ROOM 406

by Mary Almasian

Nowadays around John Mahoney's house you run into either a jeep or a Ford, but a few weeks back John was seen coming down past the ponds on a bicycle. . . . May 15 was an important day for Marguerite Londergan. She became engaged to William Hogarth. He is still in the Navy but we all expect to hear wedding bells real soon. . . . More transfers in Department 406: Clarence VanDyke to Crib 13, Louis Bernard to Department 460 nights and Walter Aslanian to Department 428. . . . There wasn't too much talk on the job this year about where each person was going to spend his two weeks' vacation. I'm sure

Harold Adams and his family spent theirs at their cottage at Scarborough Beach in Narragansett, R. I. Leo Palmari's camp was finished. He and his family moved to spend their whole summer at their camp. . . . The remaining crew spent their vacations at home, I guess.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

What was Marcel Turgeon doing while on that deep-sea fishing trip? One does not catch fish while hanging over the rail. Better luck next time. . . Phyllis Lemoine is driving around in a new Ford convertible. . . . The girls in the depart-

ment held a baby shower for Virginia Gervais and a bridal shower for Eleanor Ebbeling. A layette was presented to Virginia, and a lamp to Eleanor. Both showers were at the Bocce Club. . . . The men's softball team is still on the top of the league by winning nine straight games. . . . Nancy Britten is motoring to California with relatives for three weeks.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Personality of the Month: Ernest Pickup, foreman of Department 433, was born in Lancashire, England, in 1895. Landing in Boston in 1911, he worked in a shoe factory in New Bedford for two years, then worked for Interstreet Railway in Attleboro, Mass. Later he went to work for Mooseburg Manufacturing Company on drills and lathes for a short time. While attending night school at New Bedford Textile, he worked as a repair man in the Rolling Mills at New Bedford Copper Works. Following this he went to Fales & Jenkes where he rose to the rank of foreman. When the Whitin Machine Works bought out Fales & Jenkes, Ernest transferred to Whitin where he worked on setting up worsted frames. Soon after he was put to work on the heavy machine end of what was then 448. On the separation of this department into different units he was appointed foreman of Department 433. Ernest lives with Mrs. Pickup at their new home in Plummer Park. He spends most of his idle time at home beautifying their residence.

Mike Feen, Joe Gauvin, Harold Baszner, Bob Stewart, Tom Stevenson and Henry Beaudoin attended the Red Sox-Yankee game in Boston on May 28. The rest of the group can't figure out why they are getting order blanks from a well-known turkey grower when Mike was the only one sitting close to a member of said grower's family at the Linwood Grille on the same date. . . . William G. Demague was commended in Worcester by the Safe Driving Campaign. . . . Fred (White) Le-Blanc and Red DeJong finally came to an agreement. Red bought the ladder from Freddie. Rest assured, the necessary steps were taken. (Pun.) . . . Bill Hall re-ceived his 20-year pin from Company officials on June 11. . . I have noticed ads in the papers the last few weeks for different kinds of mill help. I hope this is a forerunner of a business pickup. . . . Those apples are tough to reach at the top of the tree! . . . Mr. and Mrs. John F. Carroll of 2 Maple Street celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on June 6. Mr. Carroll, retired, was formerly foreman of the Roll Job. . . . Celebrating birthdays in June were Michael Feen, Sr., Harry Cornell, and Ray Roche. . . Wedding anniversaries were celebrated in June by Sidney DeJong, Clinton White, Alex McFarland, Ray Roche, Wade Mills, Armand Henault, Bill Rutana, Jim Woodburn, Arsene Racicot and Garabed Kachi-



Aboard the hurricane deck of his cow pony is young Barry Greenwood, son of Ted Greenwood of Department 468

GRINDER JOB

by Betty Ann Young

First of all, we want to welcome back Stanley Rodominick who left us for a short stay at Department 423. . . . Bill Todd, our foreman, recently spent a week end fishing at Moosehead Lake. Of course, we never did see any of the fish he was supposed to have caught. Bill was the guest of Mrs. Jane Koyn of Camp Westerley, Maine. Bill says there was a foot of snow there. . . . In the latter part of July, Freddy Vallee is going into the "Tastee Freeze" business on route 16 in Mendon. So, come on gang, start saving your money and on a warm summer night, when you've got your wife and eight children out for a ride, stop in Mendon and patronize Freddy. Freddy says his wife deserves all the credit. . . . Best of luck to our timekeeper, Mrs. Spencer, who sailed for England on June 26 and will return on August 4. This is her fourth trip in 30 years. She went over on the liner America and will return on the United States. We hope she has a most enjoyable trip and our best wishes go with her. . . . Congratulations to Clinton Tracy on passing the test for the renewal of his license. . . . Beatrice Winchell will be going after her license in the near future, so I advise everyone in the vicinity to sell their cars, to stay off the streets, and to take out more insurance. . . . Congratulations to Archie Jacobs who purchased a new '54 Chevie. . . . Birthday congratulations to Vic Fagnant, Bill LeBlanc, and Ray Roy for the month of June and belated birthday greetings to Ray Basinet in May. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Boufford on their 30th wedding anniversary which they celebrated on June 16. Best wishes to both of them and may they have many more together. . . . By the time this issue comes out, you will have completed your two weeks' vacation, so I expect some stories for the next issue. Hope you all had a happy vacation.

CAST IRON AND BATTLER ROOM

by Jim Fallon

We Cast Iron Room employees were sorry to see the following persons laid off: Marie Sauve, Clarence Farrow, Henry Spearman, Norman Goulet, Mack Harris and George Omar. We wish them well in whatever they do. . . Toros Bourgujian has been out ill for one month. We all hope he comes back to work soon. His brother Jake also works for this department. . . The Spindle reporter for Department 405 hopes that everyone in this department had a very nice 30th of May. . . They tell me that Joe Lavenskie's wife is in the hospital. We hope she gets better soon. Joe works on the grinding wheels. . . Ed Jacques, supervisor, lost his hat while he was going



Ballet Dancer Carol Ann Mills, age 8, daughter of Wade Mills of Department 433 and Mrs. Mills, was a recent winner on the Russ Emery talent show over channel 10—WJAR-TV. She received as prizes, a Benrus Watch and a week's vacation for two at a resort in New Hampshire. Carol Ann has appeared in many charity shows throughout Rhode Island and Massachusetts

to put a belt on in the Rattler Room. He was walking by a vent pipe when the air took his hat off and into the pipe. . . . Jim Chaplin, who worked on the large jacks, has been moved to the grinding wheels. . . . Horace "Curley" Dumas got stung by his honey bees while taking the honey from the hives. . . . Ray St. Jean has come back to work after being out for a good while because of his finger.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Ken Harrington

This was the vacation month, and we hope that all of Department 423 had a pleasant time and returned safe and sound. . . . Henry Nelson has an outboard motor that Pete Babowitch is going to overhaul. . . . Pete says the job will take about two hours. He's had the motor now for several weeks and Henry is hoping he will have it ready for August. . . . We have with us a man that can tell you all about tomatoes. If anyone is interested, see George Cartier. . . . We paid a visit to Fred Robertson, our foreman, who is home for a few weeks for a much-needed rest. We are pleased to report that he is looking well. . . . Leo Mullin and our acting foreman, Oliver Baker, who are the committee for awarding our monthly Oscar award, report that there has been no outstanding deed for this month. This month's Oscar will be held over. . . . Birthday congratulations this month go to Pete Babowitch. . . . Wedding anniver-saries were observed by Pete Babowitch and Marcel Plante.

GEAR JOB

by Roland Dion

Our personality of the month is Carl "Rudy" Rein, who was born in Millville on August 11, 1919. He has lived in Millville all his life. On October 24, 1944, Rudy married Dorothy Johnson of Woonsocket. They now reside on Ironstone Street in Millville with their two children, Janice, age 7, and Lois, age 6. Rudy came to work for Whitin in 1940 and has been a member of Department 420 for all of the fourteen years. He is now employed as a boring mill set-up man.

Advice to our very ardent fisherman, Clarence Brouillard, whose wife gave him a new spinning reel and rod for his anniversary. The last rod he had wound up in the lake because he forgot to hold on to it when he cast out. We would make a little suggestion to Clarence. Why not strap this rod on to your wrist? This little precaution may save you an embarrassing moment in the future.



On the left are Pauline, age 3½, and Lorraine, age 4 months, the children of Maurice Deragon, formerly of Department 426. On the right are the children of Normand Deragon: Jeanine, age 4, Paul, age 8 months, and Claire, age 2



The banquet of the Cafeteria bowling league was held at Aunt Mary's on May 20. Among those present were, from the left, standing: Gloria Parker, Jean Davis, Dot Bonzak, Vi Gagnon, Dot Seagrave and Sis Parker; seated: Gloria Chonesy, Edith Kelleher, Kate Graham, Louise Aites, Kay Taylor and Mary Parker. Absent when photo was taken: Faye Parker, Grace Manter, Dot Henderson, Terry Pendleton, Ellen Willis, Jesse Hale and Jean McFallon. The girls plan to bowl again in the fall and invite other women to join them

BOOSTER DART JOB

by Rita Deome

A few corrections and sincere apologies. In last month's SPINDLE, I wrote that Dick Schuyler's birthday was on April 29 and that he received a 5-year service pin. Errors: On April 29, he celebrated his 12th wedding anniversary and he was recently presented with a 10-year pin. Congratulations Dick and many happy returns to you and Mrs. Schuyler. . . . It's nice to see Bill Greenwood back to work and to know that he is well again. . . . A cheery hello and pleasant days ahead to Robert Dippold from all of us at 428.

We are proud to say that we have a member of our department-Tom Stevenson-who is active in the Production Golf League. He is quite a golf enthusiast and really enjoys the game tremendously. With talk of golf on the carpet, may I add a few of the other golfers-Leo Tosoonian, Hector Sauve, and Joe Sampson. Good driving, fellows, and lots of luck to the high scorers. . . . While on the subject of sports, might I add that one of our supervisors, Harry Bedigian, was one of the officials at the track meet recently held in . Mr. Robert Stewart recently presented John Wilson with a 10-year pin. . Orchids to Mary West, who deserves to be our personality this month. She was recently presented a 20-year service pin by Mr. John Cunningham and Mr. Everett Murch. Mary was born April 21, 1895, in Woonsocket, R. I. She was educated in the local schools and graduated from Northbridge High School. Her happy family circle consists of three married childrentwo daughters and a son—and four grandchildren, two boys and two girls. Her favorite pastimes are traveling, reading

and making braided rugs. In her travels she has visited Seattle, Washington, and Denver, Colorado. Mary is one of the inspectors here. Prior to coming here she worked on the Ring Job and on several other departments. She is a grand person who shows great friendliness to all who know her. She lives at 32 High Street with her mother. Congratulations and many more years at the Whitin Machine Works.

Going back to sport talk, several of our baseball fans have recently traveled to



George Gauthier, son of Romeo Gauthier, Department 447, was awarded the Rev. D. F. McGrath Scholarship at Holy Cross College when he graduated from St. Mary's High School, Milford, June 20. He will receive \$1050 each year for 4 years

Boston to see the Red Sox play and to enjoy pleasant meals before attending the games. . . . In May, Robert Stewart, Henry Beaudoin, Tom Stevenson, Mike Feen, Harold Baszner and Joe Gauvin witnessed the Red Sox-New York Yankee game. Much to their sadness, the Yankees walloped the Red Sox. Their sorrow was so great that the fellows left at the 7th inning. Bob Wood, Harry Bedigian, Eddie Nuttall, Evans Bedigian and Irving Dalton saw Cleveland victorious over the Red Sox on June 11. Cheer up fellows, the season's still young, much luck and never let it be said you weren't ever-faithful fans.

Our birthday cake was decorated by a lone candle this month celebrating Mary Forrest's birthday on June 1. Mary is one of the government inspectors. To a wonderful and nice person, may we all chime in and say "Happy Birthday, Mary" and many more of them.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by Mary Hugley

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Swart celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on May 22.
. . . We wish a speedy recovery to John O'Brien, Fred Tucker and Lawrence Perkins. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kramer's daughter was married on June 12 at the Kramer home. . . . Lester Murray, while doing some painting for William Lyman, found out that it doesn't pay to push stepladders around! He pushed one, and the result was that one bucket of paint came down on his head.

COMBER JOB

by Terry Merolli

Personality of the Month: Archie Fournier was born in Whitinsville in 1916. He graduated from Northbridge High and from Hill College in Woonsocket. Archie began working on the Ring Job as a machine operator in 1936 and remained there until 1945, when he transferred to his present job as an erector for Department 445. In 1940 he married the former Ruth Rich. They have three children: Pamela, age 11, Larry, age 9 and Sally, age 5. They reside on Sylvan Road, Whitinsville, in the home that Archie built a few years ago. This home is indeed an accomplishment to be proud of. His hobbies are golf, baseball, basketball and dancing. Archie reports that they now have twelve chickens and a rabbit, much to the enjoyment of the children. His unassuming ways and good disposition certainly make him well liked by all. That's Archie—a person we are all proud to call our friend.

The past month was quite an eventful one for Arthur Haagsma. He and his wife spent a week at Grand Rapids, Michigan where they attended the graduation of their daughter Nellie. A week later, on June 16, they went to New York City to greet their daughter Irene and her husband who arrived by boat from Africa where they had spent the past three years doing missionary work. It was indeed a happy month for the Haagsma family.

Birthday greetings for the month go to "Butch" Surowiec, Hugh Mateer, Carl Froding, and Fred Chaffee. . . . Mike Baiano is now a proud citizen of the United States. During the month he took out his final citizenship papers. Congratulations, Mike! . . . Welcome to D. Simmons and R. Roy who are new transfers to De-



Walter D. Szocik, Roll Job personality, raises flowers and vegetables at his East Douglas home

partment 445. . . . We are glad to hear that Rene Provost of the Inspection Department is improving after his recent operation. . Summer is really here, judging from the beautiful bouquets the boys have been bringing in. They certainly brighten up the office. . . Bob Holmes, assistant foreman of Department 445, recently left for France and Germany where he will check the installation of combers. Some of our "Happy Wanderers" better known as road-men, have returned. They are Jim Burke from France and Clem Stanislaus from Japan, Dave Stiles from Arkansas, Steve Koprusak and Bill McNeil from South Carolina. Welcome back, boys. . . . We hear that John Cunningham is one of our latest golf enthusiasts. . We hope everyone had an enjoyable vacation.

ROLL JOB

by John C. Onanian

Our personality of the month is Walter D. Szocik who was born in Lunenburg, Mass. He received his schooling in the public schools of Lunenburg and Fitchburg. Walt served his time at C. H. Cowdrey Machine Works in Fitchburg but was laid off during the slack period in the early 1930's. He started to work on the Spindle Job in the Fall of 1933, after a few months was transferred to the Picker Job, and in the Spring of 1934 came to the Roll Job where he has been ever since. He has been on general shop work, and at the present is a lathe hand on the new Hendey lathes. Walt married Sue Bombara of East Douglas in 1935. They are the parents of a daughter and of two sons. He built his own home in East Douglas. His hobby is gardening. He has a small greenhouse where he raises flowers and plants.

John Stavinski got up a little late on a Monday morning. In his haste he knocked over the milk bottles, put on a pair of unmated shoes and forgot his lunch. . . A few weeks ago Edward Kmiotek had his canoe up on Meadow Pond. Trying the canoe out for leaks after the winter, somehow he tipped over and went in for an early swim in his Sunday best. . . . Lew Lyman received his 20-year service pin from Mr. John Cunningham. . . . Birthday greetings to Joseph W. Henault and John Hendrickson. . . . We welcome Horace Disautell to the day shift and E. A. Wellman, Sr. to the night shift. . . . We wish John Rutana and J. W. Henault a speedy recovery. They are out because of illness. . . . Here's hoping everyone had an enjoyable vacation and are all set for another year.



At a Parents' Night held at the Scout Lodge on May 24, 1954, these young ladies of Troop 8 became First Class Scouts, a rank achieved only by those Girl Scouts who, over a period of years, have worked diligently to earn badges. From the left, front row: Mary MacIntyre, Gretchen Rawlinson, Nancy Sheldon, Gail Erickson, Ruth Piper and Judy Leonard. Back row: Jean Davidson, Brenda Sloan, Meryle Seegal, Mrs. J. R. Sheldon, Leader, Kathie Smith, Anna Niejadlik and Andrea Roy



Arthur Lapointe, Spindle Job personality, was born in New Bedford. Married, he has one daughter, Gloria

SPINDLE JOB by Edward Bates

Arthur Lapointe, our personality of the month, was born in New Bedford. In 1937 two important things happened to Arthur, for in that year he began work at the Whitin Machine Works and he got married. Mr. and Mrs. Lapointe have a daughter, Gloria. Until 1939 he worked on the Bolster Job. On the Spindle Job he points spindle blades.

On the gray dawn of May 22, Al Cencak was supposed to go fishing on Narragansett Bay with Edward Roukema, Benny Mezynski, Leon Fletcher, Eddie Postma and John Spence. The fishing regalia was ready; the alarm rang early; Al went back to sleep. Benny and Ed went to call him, but the sight of Al's 17-year-old half blind, hard-ofhearing cocker spaniel on the front doorstep apparently scared them off. Al missed the long-awaited first fishing trip of the year.

John VanDyke, who has bought a pinto pony, now plans to purchase a cart. We expect that Mrs. VanDyke will use it to transport vegetables from John's garden.

. . As with many departments, 439 has had some workers laid off or transferred.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Ernest Kroll alias "Dagwood," alias "Whitey," was born in Farnumsville on December 31, 1922. He attended Grafton Public Schools and eventually enrolled in Worcester Boys Trade School, from which he graduated as a wood pattern maker in 1943. During the time he was going to school he also worked in the Upton Hat Shop making hat blocks. In March, 1943, Ernest entered the Service and served in the Engineers. He attained the rank of Sergeant in the almost three years he served in New Guinea, Dutch East Indies, Philippines and Japan. He was discharged in February 1946. "Dagwood" as he promptly became known on the job, due to his eating habits, started at Whitin Machine Works in June 1946. In May, 1953, he was married to Constance Goulet of Webster. Their marriage was duly reported in the SPINDLE resplendent with a picture. They now reside in Web-

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Two Whitin employees, Frederick Lowe, draftsman, of 450 Hill Street, Whitinsville, and Henry Krawczyk, toolmaker apprentice, of 858 Third Avenue, Woonsocket, have been awarded \$75 scholarships upon completing their first year of night school at Worcester Junior College. These scholarships are given by the Worcester chapter of the American Society of Tool Engineers to outstanding students enrolled in tool design courses. Foreman Ralph Baker, chairman of the scholarship fund trustees, has announced that there are additional scholarships available to qualified persons. This fall at Worcester Junior College a complete coverage of industrial inspection methods will be offered under the title of "Measuring and Gaging." Engineering-minded high school graduates without college plans should investigate the Machine and Tool Design course now offered at Worcester Boys' Trade High School. Foreman Baker is shown above congratulating Lowe and Krawczyk on their achievement

ster. "Whitey," as he is more commonly known to his friends outside the Pattern Job, is interested in bowling, fishing, and hunting.

As is becoming the custom, the news is getting scarcer and scarcer. . . . We have heard from Walter Fulasz, who evidently has acquired stock in a post card company. Practically everyone on the job received a card from him from sunny California, and from all reports Walter is enjoying himself immensely. He especially liked his trip across country. . . . Joe Fenner was out a few days after an operation on his knee. He had a growth, which was interfering with his gardening activities, removed. . . . We welcomed this month the visiting apprentices, Donald White and George Aspinwall. . . . Al Sutcliffe is adding a new field to his endeavors-that of bee keeping. We expect that, in due time, we'll be eating honey on our pancakes, and if Al lives up to expectations, it should be the best. Good luck, Al. When we need first hand information about the birds and the bees and the flowers we know where . Many happy returns this month to John Vanderzee, our foreman and also to L. Earle Newcombe and Lawrence Gilmore.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

July's Foundry personality of the month is Normand J. Tessier who has been with the Whitin Machine Works for six years. Normand was born in Woonsocket, R. I., on September 14, 1920, and attended the Woonsocket schools. Prior to working here he was employed by the Draper Corporation of Hopedale. A veteran who served for five years in the Army and saw duty in the Pacific theater of operations during World War II, Normand is an active member of V. F. W. Post 6342 of North Smithfield, R. I. His hobbies are baseball and bowling. On June 24, 1945, he was married to the former Miss Ella Paget of Woonsocket. Mr. and Mrs. Tessier, who make their home at 16 Butler Street, Blackstone, Mass., have three sons-Normand, Jr., Roland and Paul.

Congratulations to George Gauthier who recently received his 15-year service pin. The presentation was made by Mr. R. F. Meader, Foundry Superintendent. . . . We want to wish quick recoveries to Armand Houle, Mampre Shehanian and Steve Germanian. . . . Congratulations to Jerome Rodman who recently graduated as journeyman molder. Good luck to him in his work.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

At a recent wedding in town "the underground" reports that Dot Seagraves caught the bride's bouquet. Good Luck, Dot.

I hope every one enjoyed their two weeks' rest from trying to make the boat on Friday noon. Note: Every so often, when Thursday comes around, certain shipments have "to sail from New York by 11:30 Friday."

New York Harbor must be jammed at 11:30 with boats leaving with Whitin Rings.

Recently at Meadow Pond my wife and I watched a lady fisherman proudly washing a large pickerel about 16" long, then looking for something to wrap it in. My wife called to her and gave her a bag we had in the car, at the same time asking what it was. The woman replied, "It's a perch." I could be wrong. What do you think, Joe?

Joe, they tell me you and Jim Gusney are going to the Cape to fish soon. Remember the blueberry episode! We don't want to read in the newspaper that Joe Witek and Jim Gusney got separated and that now they can't find Jim.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

We extend our best wishes to Louis Vincent who has retired. Louis had worked over forty years in the shop and had spent a great deal of that time on the Bolster Job. . . . We also were sorry to see the following transferred or laid off: Bizar Hagopian, Peggy Fallon, Al Majeau, Harry Powers, Al Girouard, Armand Lavallee, John Dziob, Cliff Lunn, Bill Dalton, Lindsey Harding and Joe Dempsey. . . Manning Arnold, for many years known as an excellent huntsman, recently turned to fishing and has found it to be a very exciting sport. . . Speaking of fishing, Dona Perron was trying to fix a wall next to the Blackstone River and accidently fell into the river. . . . We have heard the turn "filthy rich," but never knew the exact meaning of the phrase until now. By mistake Harold Flinton left a couple of twenty-dollar bills in his overall pockets on wash day. Fortunately for Harold, nothing happened to the money. . . . Gene Thomas was floored with an attack of pneumonia. Everyone on the job wishes him a speedy recovery. . . . Frank Machaez has been wanting a fireplace in his yard for a long time. He finally built it himself. From all indications it came out very well. . . . Dominic O'Gara and Dick Baker have been seen walking around with long faces since the Red Sox have gone on their long losing streak. But what they are really sorry about is that they have lost their ace bandwagon-rider, Bill Vandersloot. Bill deserted the Red Sox because the demand this year for crying towels far exceeded his expectations.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Herb Henderson, repair man, invited his next door neighbor, Bob Caston, Metal Pattern Job, to go fishing. They put Herb's boat in the water. After pulling on the motor for five minutes it started, and across the pond and down the river they went. They fished until dusk and started the long journey back, but they had only gone a short way when they ran out of gas. In the still of the evening you could hear Bob's voice yell out, "I asked you a dozen times if you had gas enough." They tied the



Edmond Landry, of the Bolster Job, has two sons who graduated from college this year. Gilbert graduated from Holy Cross and will continue his studies at Magill University. Donald graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology where he received a B.A. degree in industrial engineering. Pictured above is the Landry family: Front row, from the left: Robert, Mrs. Landry, James, Mr. Landry, and Joan. Standing: Donald, Doris, and Gilbert

boat to the nearest tree and carried the motor home. . . . On the second week end in June, Herb, Bob and Andy Frieswick, also Metal Pattern Job, went to Cape Cod and came home with about two hundred horned pout. . . Kevin McKeating, apprentice, is commander of the Favreau-Bedford Post 12 Amvets of Woonsocket, R. I. which has 400 members. This is the largest post in Rhode Island and the second largest in New England. . . . Tony Belval, jig maker, is building a new home on Linwood Street in Linwood. . . . Norman Fields, maintenance, has acquired another interesting pastime. Besides walking his dog every night he delivers newspapers on Saturday afternoons. . . . Russell Bailey, die maker, puts his spare time to very good use at Hickory Hill getting the buildings and grounds ready for the Girl Scouts. Art Barsey is on the roster of three softball teams and seldom misses a game. . Roland Fontaine, better known as "Humphrey," is still chasing turtles. On June 17 he caught another 40 pounder. . Alice Emery doesn't have to chase turtles. Four turtles, weighing about seventeen pounds a piece, crawled into her garden to bury their eggs. . . . One night recently Joe Christy decided to mow his lawn. He hurried here and there, and was doing a wonderful job until he went too close to the house and banged his head on the light meter. Needless to say, Joe kept his eyes open after that. . . Alfred Milano and some friends decided to have a quiet day fishing, so they set out into the ocean in the boat. While they were riding

around, the ocean suddenly rose up, started to bubble, and the waves started to roll. Alfred was plenty scared so he decided to get out of there. As they were moving away from the spot they saw in the very near distance a submarine rising to the surface. It was then that they realized they had been above the submarine when it was sending up the ballast in preparation to coming to the surface. . . . At this writing Phil Larsen, Jr. is at home recovering from a recent operation at Memorial Hospital. We miss Phil and we hope he is back with us soon.



This fine string of perch was caught by Walter Pieleski, left, of the Wool Set-up Department, outside of Cornwall, Ontario. With Walter is a foreman of the Canadian Cotton Mills where Walter has been setting up wool frames





MYSTERY PHOTO—The fellow in the June issue was, of course, Joseph Lemieux of Department 440.

Do you know the bearded individual on the right?

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

Congratulations to Norman Deragon, Ted Fronczak and Joe Platukis on their suggestion awards. . . . Ray Tebeau received his fifteen-year pin and Cleve Reynolds his ten-year pin in June. . . Svensk Kaffestuga (Swedish Coffee House), South Sudbury, was the scene of a surprise shower, June 10, for Lillian Kollett, recipient of a lovely chenille bedspread. All the girls enjoyed a delicious meal and then went to the Shopper's World. . . . Eva Lundberg and son enjoyed the July 4th week end in New York City visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marianna Sharp, wife of the noted author of Christian Science literature, Dr. Roland Hall Sharp, who recently returned from a two-year tour of the world and who currently is writing "On Wings of the

World," soon to be published. . Ayotte was at Camp Yawgoog, Rockville, Rhode Island, for the Boy Scout camp-out on the week end of June 5. . . . Jim and Jocelyn Shaw went to a class reunion June 25 at Bucksteep Manor, Episcopal Conference Summer School, located in Becket, Mass. . . Ted Fronczak and family went to Breckenridge, Pa., June 12, for his 12th class reunion at Har-Brack High School. . . . Roscoe Knight visited Amherst College for his 45th class reunion on June 12. . . Ken Crossman came out of retirement to play the part of "Jarvis," the butler, in Peg of My Heart, presented by the Second Congregational Church of East Douglas on May 27. . . . Henry Lawton was an official at Lasell Track and Field Meet, June 5. . . Gordon and Joyce Curtis attended the Bellingham Fire Department's annual Ball, May 15, at Winnesuket Country Club, Bellingham,



Charles Johnson, Department 420, and Mrs. Johnson, celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on May 20. They are shown with their sons and daughters

Massachusetts. . . . Oscar Erickson requests that all players attempt to appear for each scheduled game, as the use of substitutes may break their losing streak. Better be soon, or the season will be over! . . . Birthday greetings to Herb Barnes. . . Wedding anniversaries: Florence and Armand LeBeau, their 13th; Dick and Peg Hanny, their 10th; Pauline and Leo Hagan, their 6th.

MAIN OFFICE

by Gloria Marshall

A good time was had by all at a recent party in honor of Thelma Meader, Stacia Susienka, Elaine Blake and May Thompson. The gala affair was held at the Toll House in Whitman and the food was excellent. In fact, the lobster was so good that Gloria Frabotta even brought home the shellswell, almost anyway! . . . Howard Hawkins was recently presented with his fiveyear service pin. Congratulations, Howard! . Best wishes to Margaret Guertin, Frank Polucha, Gwen Searles, Vernon Willard, Bryant Nichols, Kermit Bickford, John Hiscock and Louis Chabot on their birthdays, and to Jesse Loredo, Vernon Willard and Leonard White on their anniversaries. . . . That's all for now, but don't forget to tell me all about your vacations, whether you go away or just stay right at home, and how about some pictures,

WAGE STANDARDS

by Donald Amiro

As I write this the Air Raid whistle is blowing. To many of us this brings back awful memories of the real thing during World War II. It reminds us that, even if we are out of uniform, we still have a duty to protect our families and homes "from all enemies, foreign and domestic." Why don't you see your Civil Defense Leaders and ask to help?

This is the season for summer camps and vacations. M. Lynn Richardson, Arthur Broadhurst, Gordon L. Spence, and Mrs. Elizabeth Brown will soon be at their camps to spend the rest of the summer. . Quite a few will discover the beauty of the State of Maine, especially the Bar Harbor region. They will not be disappointed. . . This vacation period will give Russell Lupien a chance to try out the Hillman Minx convertible that he recently purchased. . If Edgar Haworth doesn't show up at his usual haunts it's because of that new T.V. set. . . . Harry Simonian will leave us this fall to become a permanent member of the Northbridge High teaching staff. . . Lewis Smith, Ralph Stinson and Donald Amiro attended the annual dinner and social evening of the Whitin Male Glee Club at the Colonial Club in Webster. . Lloyd Flint is back at work after a short illness. . . . Birthdays for this period were celebrated by Maria Beccia, Marilyn Blair, Almond Cousins, Chester Inman, Donald Mateer, Thomas Queenan, Gordon Rattray, Harold Thayer, and Leland Watson.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

The office help enjoyed a shish-kabob roast at Purgatory on June 17. Archie, better known to all as "Punjab," Misakian was the cook. A grand time was had by all. A vote of thanks should go to Isabelle Hagopian, Helen Altoonian and Al Capone for making this event a great success.

This month we need an especially large cake to take care of the many birthday greetings going to Gunnar Carlson, Llewellyn Chapman, Jim Colton, Oliver Copeland, Dave Magill, Sam Mateer, Everett Newbegin, Avis Hawkins, Virginia Kenyon and Benjamin Musket. . . . Also this month Lou Kenney celebrates his 32nd wedding anniversary and Shirley Noble and her husband are celebrating their fifth anniversary.

Paul Wheeler and family spent some vacation time at Newport, R. I., where he enjoyed in the past some very happy years. . . . Al Capone and family spent their vacation in Portland and Presque Isle, Maine, where Al got reacquainted with old friends. . . . Joe Bouley spent his vacation fishing. I guess most everyone has that figured out though. Joe and his fish rod are almost inseparable. He also took his two sons to a ball game at Fenway Park. . . . Has anyone seen Art Armstrong driving around in his new Chevie? He's pretty proud of that car, I understand. Ben Musket likes to do puzzles but he is finding it difficult to count backwards from ten to zero. It isn't as easy as he thought. At least not the way the puzzle wants him to do it. . . . Helen Fronezak and her husband Ted, spent a week end recently in Natrona, Pa., where they attended Ted's High School 12th Reunion. They had a grand time renewing old acquaintances and finding out just what had happened to each of Ted's classmates. . . . Lydia Hickey spent June 16 in a busy way. She had open house for her daughter, Janet, who graduated from Douglas High School. Janet plans to further her education in the Fall by entering Memorial Hospital. She was recently installed Worthy Advisor in the Rainbow Girls. . . . I hope that everyone enjoyed their vacation, whether spent away from home or just sitting in their own back yard. . . . The next time we have an air raid drill don't look for Jimmy Shaw. He will be off and away with the Fire Department doing his duty. The Warden's job has been turned over to Arno Wagner, who is the man to see now if you are wondering what to do when the warning of an air raid comes.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Connie Maynard

The welcome mat is spread this month for John Ratcliffe and Ted Fior. John comes to us from the Production Department where he was an expediter. Ted formerly worked for Associated Engineers Inc., in Worcester. . . . We all bid a sad farewell to Harry Leo Roy who was transferred to

the Research Department. We really miss him around here and hope he'll be back soon. . . We welcome John Tebeau back after his recent illness. . . . Betty Bianchi, Thelma Baker, Mary Cooper and Alice Naroian went to Boston to see the Red Sox play. They report they had an enjoyable day, even though the Red Sox lost 4 to 3. . . . Birthday wishes this month go to Donald Harrahy.



To Mr. and Mrs. Sidney DeJong, a son, David Brewster, 9 lbs. 14 ozs., at Whitinsville Hospital June 8, 1954.

To Mary Flynn, formerly of Department 462, a girl, Mary Jane, 8 lbs., born May 27.

To Marguerite Cimech, formerly of Department 462, a boy, Robert, 8 lbs. 6 ozs., born May 31.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Blizard, a daughter, Ann Elizabeth, 6 lbs. 4 ozs., in Milford Hospital on June 4.





Eleanor Ebbeling, Department 453, married to John Baca of East Douglas, in the Uxbridge Baptist Church, May 22

Joseph F. Stevens, H.N., of the U. S. Naval Hospital staff, Portsmouth, Virginia, and Miss Jeannine Brissette of 480 Providence Street, Woonsocket, were married at the Holy Family Church on April 24, 1954. They are now living at 1217 Ann Street, Portsmouth, Virginia.

The engagement of Miss Louisa Paraghamian of Warwick, R. I. and George Harabedian, Tool Job, was announced on June 27. An engagement party was held at the Driftwood Restaurant in Warwick. They will be married on August 29.

Lillian Kollett was married to Douglas Follett at St. John's Church, Millville, July 10. After a honeymoon at Rangeley Lakes, Maine, they will reside on Follett Street, North Smithfield, R. I.

The engagement of Miss Madeline Moon of Woonsocket to John Dominick of Uxbridge has been announced. John, formerly of the Wood Pattern Job, is now aboard the USS Markob. No date has been set for the wedding.

Ernest Donais, of Department 428, and Lucille Gingras were married in St. Denis Church, East Douglas, Mass. on June 26.



Now the labourer's task is o'er; Now the battle day is past; Now upon the farther shore Lands the voyager at last. Father, in Thy gracious keeping Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Joseph Jacques and Mrs. Jacques on the death of Mrs. Jacques' father, Mr. Eugene Jette of Montreal, Canada.

Family and friends of Wilbur Henry Lavine, 60, of 39 Church Street, who died suddenly on June 1. He had been employed by the Whitin Machine Works for 35 years.

Survivors of Robert Magill, 78, of 36 High Street, known as the "singing blacksmith," who died at Whitinsville Hospital on May 18. A native of Northern Ireland, he was, until his retirement three years ago, for 58 years employed by the Whitin Machine Works.

Relatives and friends of Francis Julian who died at his home at 66 School Street, Linwood, on May 21.

Family and friends of Henry Rascoe, formerly of Department 448A, who died at his home on June 14. Born in Canada, he was an erector at the Whitin Machine Works for 35 years.

Harry L. Powers, Department 428, on the death of his father on June 16.

