



The WHITIN **VFW**
SPINDLE

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Burton Baird, Engineer in the Power House, started at Whitin in 1936. He lives on Cooper Road in a house he built six years ago. He has two daughters. His hobby—gardening.



Eileen Forsythe, Typist in Accounting, has worked at Whitin for 11 years. She has two sons, ages 10 and 12. At home she spends her leisure hours reading.



Charles Walker, Methods Department, has worked at Whitin 27 years. He has a son 24 and a daughter 15. He lives on Goldthwaite Road, town. His hobby—woodworking.



Virginia Lindblom, Stenographer in the Order Administration Department and Spindle reporter, came to Whitin in 1956. Her hobbies are oil painting and knitting.



Leo Turcotte, Elevator Operator, came from Woonsocket in 1948 to work at Whitin. He is a World War II veteran and has a son Richard and a daughter Evelyn



Harry Mitchell, Material Analyst in the Production Department, is a pianist well known throughout the Valley. He came to Whitin in 1936 and lives in Uxbridge.



Frederic Erickson, Gear Cutter, has been with Whitin since 1940. He moved from Upton to Whitinsville last year and his hobbies are fishing and photography.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

*A*S THIS VERY EVENTFUL YEAR draws to a close, once more it is my happy privilege to extend to each of you my heartiest best wishes for a very merry Christmas and my hope that 1961 also will be a very happy and prosperous one for all of us.

We have been most fortunate during this year to have been able to operate at quite a high level of activity; the highest level, as a matter of fact, that we have experienced in some years.

You have seen quite a few changes take place over the last twelve-month period and there are several new faces present on the Whitin scene. All of these changes have been made in the interest of increased efficiency, looking toward the continuation of Whitin as a very important manufacturing entity. In these days of extremely keen competition no company can long survive unless they stay abreast of all modern and up-to-date methods. There is no such thing as standing still because that leads eventually to stagnation and ruin. It is, therefore, our intention always to move forward vigorously in the direction of further progress.

All of the improvements and changes that have been made in the past year will add up to zero unless each of us fully realizes that they have been made in the best interests of the company and for all of us. In the past we have seen such programs fail because the need for them was not properly explained and operation of them was not fully carried out. This we are determined will not happen again, and, toward this end, once more I call upon all of you to do his or her share, not only in putting these new policies into effect, but, of more importance, to see that once adopted we do not gradually fall back upon the old and obsolete practices. We know that this will not happen, so that in the end we will have succeeded in our objective of making our company the top one in its field, both quality- and engineering-wise, and also the most efficient. When these long range objectives are attained we can be very sure of the continuing progress of your company over the years.

I am sure that when you stop and think of the number of homes that are being built in our community, and when you realize that we are becoming the shopping center of the valley, it should add to our community pride, and I am sure you all will agree with me that we must do everything possible to keep our industries intact in Whitinsville so that we all can enjoy continued prosperity.

In a year of national elections, and when a new Federal administration takes over, there is always a period of uncertainty. The textile industry, on which we depend principally for our livelihood, has gone through a downward adjustment. We feel that in the last few months this trend has changed slightly for the better, which is most encouraging to us. Therefore, in spite of the squeeze between cost and price, we can look forward to a high level of operation in the year ahead.

I wish to thank all of my associates for the splendid cooperation that has been given to us during this year, and again to ask for this same kind of teamwork in the months to come.

Again with all best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Sincerely,

J. Hugh Bolton
President

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THINK TODAY . . .

With a safety campaign based on imaginative promotion as well as tried-and-true practices, the task of Robert Stewart, Safety Director, is made up of many things



AVOID GRIEF TOMORROW

WHAT a relief it would be just to cover all safety matters in one big push, then forget safety for a while. But, unfortunately this isn't possible. We have to continually guard against hazards and unsafe work habits—or we pay for it! As Mr. Bolton said at the Annual Safety Banquet in the cafeteria last month, "Safety is something which we must not lose sight of during the entire year. Safety never stops—it goes on and on and on."

More than 300 men and women associated directly with the Whitin plant safety program attended the banquet. Included were members of the Safety Committee, safety wardens, divisional superintendents, department supervisors and company officials.

The principal speakers were introduced by Toastmaster Robert Stewart. J. Hugh Bolton, President, stressed the importance of integrating fire prevention into the plant safety program. Norman F. Garrett, Executive Vice President, discussed the pressing need for careful safety planning. Clayton W. Adams, Manufacturing Manager, outlined the economic factors in developing an effective safety campaign. Melvin McCully, Safety Engineer of the John C. Paige Foundation, discussed the personal responsibility of everyone in being safety conscious. He asked everyone to give serious consideration to his philosophy of safety, namely:

"(1) Safety means the saving of human lives, the prevention of human suffering, and the prevention of the destruction of property.

"(2) Accidents never happen, they are always caused—caused by unsafe conditions, unsafe practices, or a combination of the two. Therefore, they can and must be prevented.

"(3) Accidents are a symbol of inefficiency. If a job is done correctly, it is automatically done safely.

"(4) Accidents are a symbol of management failure. When an accident occurs, management has had a failure.

"(5) Accidents are a symbol of waste, waste of human lives, waste of human suffering, machines, material, equipment and waste of time and money.

"(6) Accidents mean a terrific loss where our primary concern must always be the saving of human lives, the prevention of human suffering. Safety cannot be separated from your everyday attitude or your everyday action on your own job no matter what status you may have.

"If you can embrace this philosophy as I have given it here tonight, I promise you that you will make the Whitin Machine Works a still finer, a still safer, and a still happier place in which to work."

The program concluded with a movie on safety.

Below Left: More than 300 employees associated with the Whitin Safety program attended the banquet. *Below Right:* Principal speakers at the 1960 Safety Banquet were, from the left, Melvin McCully, Safety Engineer of the John C. Paige Foundation; J. Hugh Bolton, President; Norman F. Garrett, Executive Vice President; and Clayton W. Adams, Manufacturing Manager



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DISCOVER YOUR TRUE WORTH

IT'S NOT ENOUGH merely to exist. It's not enough to say, "I'm earning enough to live and to support my family. I do my work well. I'm a good father. I'm a good husband. I'm a good churchgoer."

That's all very well. *But you must do something more.* Seek always to do some good, somewhere. Every man has to seek his own way to make his own self more noble and to realize his own true worth.

You must give some time to your fellow man. Even if it's a little thing, do something for those who have need of a man's help, something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it. For remember, you don't live in a world all your own. *Your brothers are here, too.* (Words of wisdom by Albert Schweitzer who has been called one of the greatest Christians of his time.)



WHITIN PERSONALITY

ERNEST LAWSON, Foreman of Electro-plating and Parkerizing, came to Whitinsville in 1910. He attended Northbridge High School and worked summers on the Spinning floor at the Whitin Machine Works.

In June 1920, he became a full-time employee with the idea of learning to be an erector. However, that same year Ernie was given an opportunity to learn electro-plating. He accepted, and for the past 40 years has been an employee of the Plating Department.

In 1941 he was appointed assistant foreman. A few months later he entered the Armed Forces and served in the Aleutian Islands with the 1987th Quartermaster Corps. On his return to Whitin, he went back to the Plating Department and in January, 1951 he was appointed foreman. He is in charge of nickel, copper and cadmium plating, bonderizing, Parkerizing and black oxide finishing. He also supervises the oil room which supplies the shop with 88 different products.

Ernie was elected to membership in the American Electro-platers Society, Boston branch, in 1937. He is active also in fraternal organizations. He is a Past Noble Grand, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Past Chancellor Commander, Knight of Pythias; a member of Granite Lodge A.F. & A.M., Saint Elmo Royal Arch Chapter, American Legion, and Past Post Quartermaster of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

When he has time Ernie enjoys travelling. As a youth he often walked with a friend back and forth to Worcester, Webster, Oxford, or Woonsocket. Since those days he has visited many sections of Canada, South America and Panama. A few years ago he was active also in local plays and minstrel shows.

He now lives on Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville, in a home he and his brother built nine years ago.

FRONT COVER: Gary, Gail, and Dean listen intently as their mother (Mrs. Nicholas DeHaas) reads to them the greatest story of all time—The Christmas Story.

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YOUR *new* SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS



RECENT CHANGES made in the Government Social Security Program will affect several million U.S. citizens. We suggest you read the newly adopted amendments listed below for they may apply to you and your family now or at a later date.

Age limit changed on disability benefits. A person can now qualify for disability benefits without regard to his age. If he has worked long enough under social security and if his disability is severe enough to meet the definition of permanent and total disability in the social security law, he and eligible members of his family may draw the benefits even if he has not reached 50—the age requirement in the prior law.

More earnings allowed after retirement. Unchanged is the rule that a person can get social security benefits for every month of the year if his earnings for the year do not exceed \$1200. But, for amounts over \$1200—the following formula applies beginning in 1961: one dollar in benefits is withheld for each \$2 of earnings between \$1200 and \$1500. If a person earns more than \$1500, he forfeits a dollar in benefits for each dollar that his earnings go over the \$1500 amount. However, in spite of this rule, no one will forfeit benefits for any month that he earns \$100 or less in wages and does not render substantial services in self-employment.

Survivor's benefits increased. Families drawing social security survivor's benefits for two or more children and not now receiving the maximum payable to a family will find an additional amount added to their social security checks for December 1960. This is because of a change which calls for payment of an amount equal to three-fourths of the base amount to each child. This is changed from the formula which provided for one-half of the base amount to each child with a quarter of the base amount divided among all the children. Families affected by this change will automatically receive the additional amount on the social security check which will be mailed to them in January 1961.

The amount of work required to get benefits is reduced. Instead of needing two calendar quarters of work for every four quarters after 1950, the number of work quarters required is now one for three. Unchanged, however, is the provision that no one may get benefits without at least six quarters of work.

The following table shows how much work you will need under the new law for benefits to be paid when you reach retirement age (65 for men, 62 for women), die, or become disabled.*

<i>Retirement Age in</i>	<i>Work Needed</i>	<i>Retirement Age in</i>	<i>Work Needed</i>
1956 or earlier	1½ years	1969	6 years
1957	2	1970	6¼
1958	2¼	1971	6½
1959	2½	1972	7
1960	3	1973	7¼
1961	3¼	1974	7½
1962	3½	1975	8
1963	4	1976	8¼
1964	4¼	1977	8½
1965	4½	1978	9
1966	5	1979	9¼
1967	5¼	1980	9½
1968	5½	1981 or later	10

*To get disability insurance benefits, you must also have social security credit for 5 out of the 10 years just before you become disabled.

The Cost of Social Security

On January 1, 1960 the payroll tax rates increased from 2½ to 3 per cent. Further increases in tax rates are scheduled every three years until 1969, when the total tax on your wages will be 9 per cent—half paid by you and half by your employer.

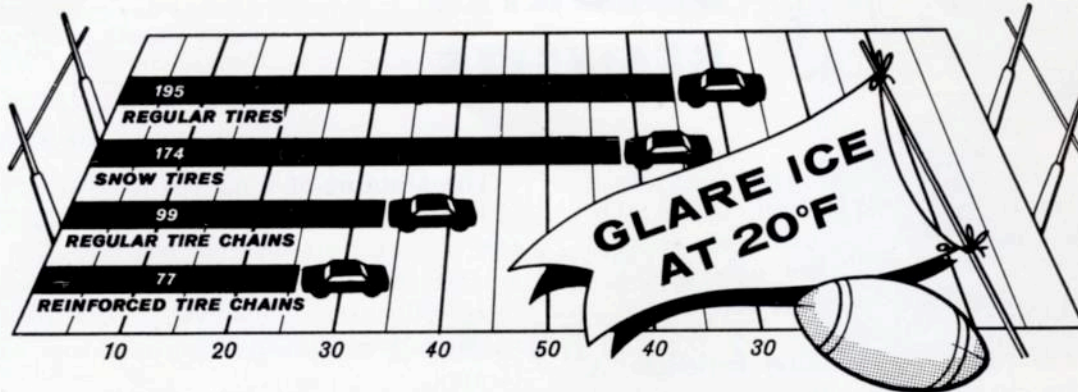
<i>Year</i>	<i>Employer</i>		<i>Employee</i>	
	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
1960-1962	3%	\$144	3%	\$144
1963-1965	3½%	168	3½%	168
1966-1968	4%	192	4%	192
After 1969	4½%	216	4½%	216

For further information about how these amendments affect you, contact Mr. Henry Crawford, Industrial Relations Department.

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SKID FACTS

for MOTORISTS



Winter roads are no fun to tackle if you're a motorist. Covered with ice or snow, they can throw you for a big loss. Stopping distances at 20 m.p.h. are shown on a football gridiron to help skid-iron scatbacks visualize the l-o-n-g stops on slippery roads—3 to 12 times longer than on dry pavement. Caution is the best defense against winter weather—in starting as well as stopping

SIX QUICK TIPS from the *National Safety Council* on how to be a better winter driver:

1. Winterize not only your car, but your driving technique and your attitude, as well. Normal speeds often are too fast for winter conditions. When weather's bad, slow down.
2. Have good tires—preferably snow tires—and for more severe conditions, use reinforced tire chains.
3. Keep windshield and windows clear, and wiper blades, heater and defroster in proper operating condition.
4. Get the feel of the road as soon as you start out (but away from hazards or other cars). By cautiously trying your brakes or gently pressing your accelerator, you can learn how slippery the road surface is. Then adjust your speed accordingly.
5. Keep well back of the vehicle ahead to give yourself plenty of room for an emergency stop. Following too closely is doubly dangerous on winter roads.
6. Pump your brakes to stop quickly on icy roads. Jamming on the brakes will throw the car into an uncontrollable skid. The trick is to slow

the car by rapid and intermittent brake applications and at the same time maintain rolling traction that gives steering control.

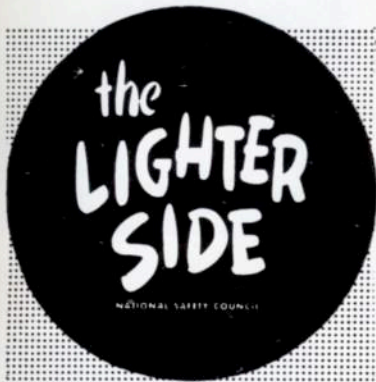
"There's nothing much you can do about winter weather—except be prepared for it," the National Safety Council said. "Snow and ice, combined with early darkness, frequent snowstorms and spattered windshields, help cause the high auto death and injury toll in the winter."

The Council cited these revealing facts:

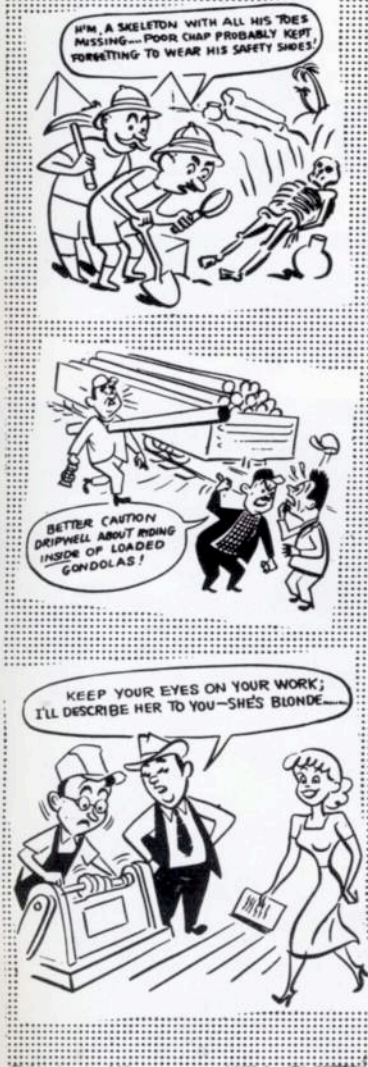
1. In 1 out of 6 fatal auto accidents, the weather is rainy, foggy or snowy.
2. In 1 out of 4 fatal auto accidents, the road is wet, snowy, icy or muddy.
3. In fatal auto accidents in which the driver's vision is obstructed, rain, snow and sleet on the car windshield crop up in 2 out of 5 instances.

"Seat belts, a must whenever you drive," the Council said, "are especially valuable in winter.

"But nothing," it emphasized, "protects a driver as much as being prepared for the added hazards of winter driving."



Jest a Joke



A gangling young man walked into the county clerk's office and announced that he wanted a marriage license.

"Certainly," said the clerk, "but where is the bride-elect?"

"What do you mean, bride-elect?" demanded the young man. "There wasn't any election. This gal done appointed herself."

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Two Texas cattlemen went into an automobile showroom and one of them asked the price of the most luxurious model on the floor.

"Twelve thousand, five hundred dollars," said the salesman.

"I'll take it," said the gentleman, taking out several one-thousand dollar bills.

"Oh, no, you don't," said the second cattleman, taking out his own billfold. "You paid for lunch."

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A workman was perched on top of a ladder cleaning the clock in the city hall when a nosy fellow called up to him:

"Whatcha doing—is something wrong with the clock?"

"No, no, I'm just nearsighted," he yelled back.

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Suddenly the dealer flung his cards down on the table and pulled out his sixshooter. "Boys," he shouted, "this game ain't a straight one; Sam ain't playing the cards I dealt him!"

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Jimmy, sitting up in bed and

listening: There must be company downstairs.

Billy: What makes you think so?

Jimmy: I can hear Ma laughing at Pa's jokes.

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The minister returned the used car to the dealer and was promptly asked, "What's the matter, Parson? Can't you run it?"

The reply was "Not if I want to stay in the ministry, I can't."

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Mrs. Smythe was making final arrangements for an elaborate reception. "Nora," she said to her servant of long-standing, "I want you to stand by the drawing room door and call the guests' names as they arrive."

Nora's face lit up. "Thank you, ma'm," she replied. "I've been wanting to do that to some of your friends for 20 years!"

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"I ache all over," a man complained.

"What's the trouble?" his friend asked.

"A couple of weeks ago we bought some of that modern furniture," the man explained, "and I just discovered that all this time I've been sleeping in the bookcase."

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At a party the young wife admonished her husband. "That's the fourth time you've gone back for more ice cream and cake. Doesn't it embarrass you?"

"Why should it?" asked her husband. "I keep telling them it is for you."

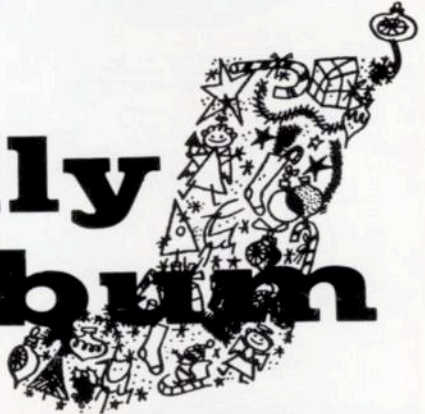
In a crude way, negative thought is much like dirt in the fuel line of an automobile; it holds back the full power of spirit to make all things flow smoothly.



Cindy Marshall, age 2, was looking for Santa Claus when this photo was taken. She is the daughter of James Marshall, Repair Sales Department



Family Album



Theresa, Ernest, Jr. and Jane are the children of A-1/c Ernest Dionne, ex-Ring-Jobber, now stationed at Larsen Air Force Base, state of Washington. Grandfather Louis Dionne is employed on the Ring Job



Daniel, age 3 years, and Mike, age 13 months, are the sons of Daniel Morin, Sr., Department 416 night shift



Maureen Roche is the daughter of Thomas Roche, Department 416 night shift



Michael Boulanger, 1½ years old, is the son of Wilfred Boulanger, Department 450





Timothy is the son of Emile Boulanger, Department 429. Tim was born in the Whitinsville Hospital, June 19, 1959



Helping Donald Roy to celebrate his fifth birthday is his sister Lise, age 13. They are the children of Emil Roy, Department 450



David Creighton, age 2, and Kenneth Creighton, age 5, are the grandsons of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Simmons



Kent Brian's parents are Sterling Duffy, Apprentice Department, and Ruth Duffy, formerly of Engineering



Deborah M. Henry, age 1, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald F. Henry, Border Street, Town



Normand, 10 months old, and Jacqueline, 29 months old, are the children of Romeo Roy, Department 453



David Gervais, 14 months old, is the son of Victor Gervais, Spindle Job



—AND TO ALL A SAFE AND MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Have a Merry Christmas and a Fire Safe one

THE YULE SEASON has come 'round again, and all over the nation families are gathering for the Christmas holidays.

Across the land, Christmas trees will glow. Presents are being assembled for the traditional Christmas giving. And in the nation's homes, good things to eat like turkey and plum pudding, are being prepared for the Christmas dinner.

For young and old, this is the most joyous season, and Christmas is the most magical day of all the year. In many a home, and school, and church, the old Christmas carols will ring out.

And once again, as the Christmas season rolls 'round, the National Board of Fire Underwriters is reminding people from coast to coast to use care with fire this Christmas season.

When the Christmas tree is selected, let it be a small tree, if possible. Small trees are just as Christmasy as large trees, and they are safer, for there is less of them to burn if fire occurs.

When Mom and the children are choosing Christmas tree ornaments, let them choose fire-safe ones. Those made of metal or glass are best.

Place Tree in Safe Place

When the family sets up the Christmas tree, have father look around and put the tree in a place where it will not block an exit.

In decorating, check all strings of electric lights to make sure that the cords are not frayed.

If possible, stand the tree in water, for this will retard drying.

When Christmas arrives and presents are opened, Mom and the girls should promptly discard gift wrappings.

And remember to turn out the Christmas tree lights when away from home.

From time to time during the holiday season inspect the tree to see whether any of the needles near the lights have started to turn brown. If so, change the position of the lights.

Remember, a fire-safe Christmas is a Merry Christmas. Keep your Christmas merry.

And one more tip to Mom: If you want your holiday dinner to be a success, with the turkey done to a turn, clean out your oven, if you have not done so, to avoid the accumulation of grease. This will protect you from a possible grease fire. In addition, keep grease containers away from the stove. If a grease fire does start while you're cooking, cover the burning pan with a large cover, using a long-handled fork to put it in place.

And throughout the Christmas season, if there are smokers in your house, see that they are provided with plenty of ashtrays and empty the trays often. Incidentally, when emptying them, make certain that any fire in the tray has gone out.

Here's How to Be Prepared

One additional hint with regard to fire safety especially if you are having house guests: Many persons, when fire occurs and they are trapped by flames, have managed to save their lives because they knew what to do and what not to do in case of fire.

Here's what you should do to be prepared if fire strikes your home:

1. Decide now how you would be able to save your family's and guests' lives were you to awaken and smell smoke.
2. Figure out two possible escape routes to the ground from any upstairs' bedroom. It isn't likely that both escape routes would be cut off by flames during the early stage of the fire.
3. If a fire starts, arouse everyone in the house. First, before all else, get everyone out of the house. Count noses to see that all are outside.
4. Then—after everyone is out of the house—call the fire department.

You should have the fire department number posted at your telephone.

But, as an added precaution, learn the location of the fire alarm box nearest your home.

Follow these rules and you will have an old-fashioned Merry Christmas. *Merry Christmas!*

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Christ in Christmas

... Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2:10-11*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

John 1:1-14

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined. *Isaiah 9:2*

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. *Matthew 4:4*

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. *Matthew 6:33*

So now I say unto you. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. *John 13:33, 35*



for the Animals out
in the stable.



is the Goose which
you all know is fat.



for the Mistletoe. Beware
where it hangs!



is the Holly you
stick in your hat.



is the Light shining
way in the East.



for the Babe in their
manger for cradle.



for December, the
twenty-fifth day.



for the Ivy which
clings to the wall.



for the Carols so
blithe and gay.



for the Fire when the
Yule Log is lighted.



for the Kindness begot by this feast.



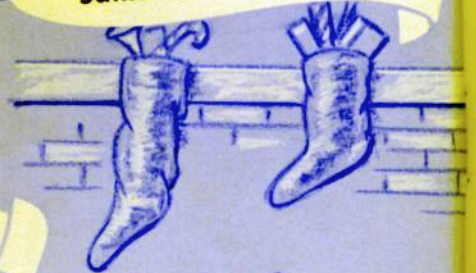
for the Eve when we're
all so excited.



is for Jesus the cause
of it all.



for the Stockings that
Santa Claus stuffs.



is for Us over all the
world ranging.



is the Noel the angels
first sang.



for the Queerness that this should
have been, Near two thousand
years before you were seen.



for the Presents Wise Men
laid before Him.



is for the Oxen, the first
to adore Him.



for the Romps and the
Raisins and Nuts.



for the Toys on the
Christmas Tree hanging.



for the Waifs at your
doors singing heartily.



for the Visitors welcomed
so warmly.



bother me! All I can say
Is this is the end of my Christmas lay,
So now to you all, wherever you be,
Merry, merry Christmas, and many may you see.

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SPEAK UP!



they want to know

You are involved in political affairs, whether you want to be or not. The only question is whether you intend to have a voice in determining the kind of public policies you are going to have to live with.

Most political issues these days are also economic issues. For example, the level of taxes you pay certainly has a direct influence on your standard of living. And the amount of federal government spending inevitably affects the value of the dollars you have left after taxes—and these dollars have been losing value continually in the last two decades.

Voting once a year is fine. So is taking part in local civic activities, such as fund-raising or other voluntary work.

But these things are not enough to help shape the course of political events which will affect the living standards, and perhaps the individual liberties, of you and your family. Take an active interest in political affairs all the year round. Let your representatives in federal, state and local governments know your views.

Government officials may have their differences about many things, but on one point they agree: It's important and helpful to them to hear from the voters back home—especially on current major legislation. They not only want to hear from people, they are guided by the people's opinions.

President Eisenhower recently stated: "Public opinion is still the determining force in our public

affairs. If the government is to follow the course of fiscal responsibility in the conduct of its business, the informed citizens of our nation must speak up to Congress without delay."

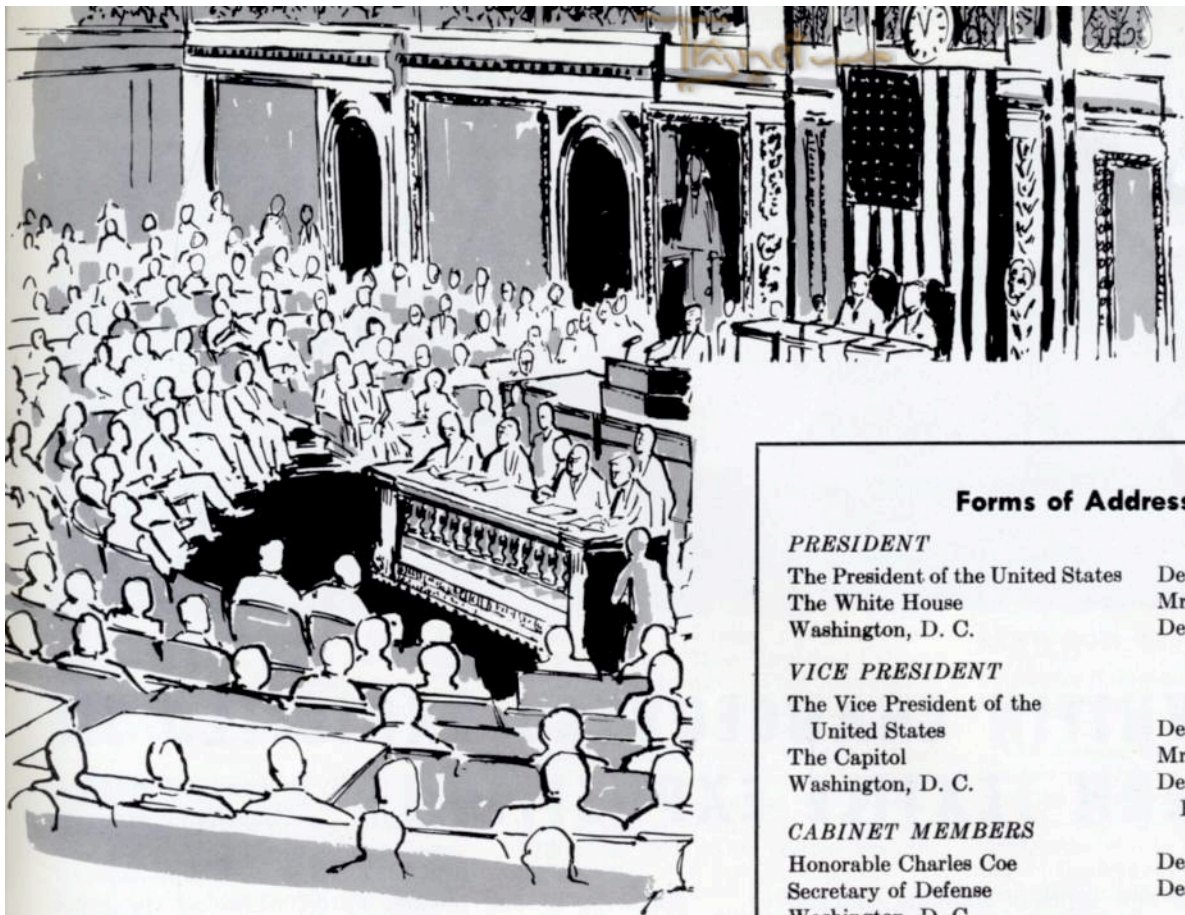
Most voters do not take the time to communicate with their elected government officials. Often they have definite opinions on vital issues. They spend lots of time telling their neighbors, friends and business associates about them. But only rarely do they do anything that can get any real action.

If you want to influence legislation, communicating with your representative in government is the way to do it. By contacting them, you can directly influence the actions of officials at all levels of government:

- the President, senators and representatives on the national level;
- the governor, senators and members of the legislature on the state level;
- the mayor and councilmen on the local level.

What's the best way to communicate with elected officials? Writing letters, sending telegrams and appearing at public hearings are all good.

Sometimes, intelligent, interested voters fail to communicate, even when they want to, because of the mystery or lack of understanding that surrounds what actually is a very simple procedure. Writing



to a government official is pretty much like writing anyone else, but a few hints may be helpful.

. . . Letters will get more attention than post cards. They should be legibly written on one side of the page only, with the name and address of the sender at the top of the page.

. . . Letters should be limited to one subject and should be as brief as possible.

. . . They should be objective and should give the writer's reasons for his opinions.

. . . The letter should be written in the sender's own words. An original letter carries far more weight than a form letter.

. . . Criticism, when offered, should be constructive. On the other hand, when the writer approves of his representative's actions, he should not forget to compliment him.

Those who don't know the names of their elected representatives can readily obtain them by writing or telephoning the chairman of their party's town committee or the editor of any newspaper.

When it comes to forms of address used in writing governmental officials, there are no rigid rules. Most style manuals list various acceptable forms. Some that have been suggested are listed in the accompanying box.

Forms of Address

PRESIDENT

The President of the United States	Dear Sir:
The White House	Mr. President:
Washington, D. C.	Dear Mr. President:

VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President of the United States	Dear Sir:
The Capitol	Mr. Vice President:
Washington, D. C.	Dear Mr. Vice President:

CABINET MEMBERS

Honorable Charles Coe	Dear Sir:
Secretary of Defense	Dear Mr. Secretary:
Washington, D. C.	

U. S. SENATOR

Honorable Donald Doe	Dear Sir:
United States Senate	Dear Mr. Senator:
Washington, D. C.	Dear Senator Doe:

U. S. REPRESENTATIVE

Honorable Frank Foe	Dear Sir:
House of Representatives	Dear Mr. Representative:
Washington, D. C.	Dear Mr. Foe:

(A representative should not be addressed as "Congressman")

GOVERNOR

Honorable George Goe	Dear Sir:
Governor of (State)	Dear Mr. Governor:
State House	Dear Governor Goe:
(City) (State)	

STATE SENATOR

Honorable Howard Hoe	Dear Sir:
(State) State Senate	Dear Mr. Senator:
(City) (State)	Dear Senator Hoe:

MEMBER OF STATE LEGISLATURE:

Honorable Lawrence Loe	Dear Sir:
(State) State Legislature	Dear Mr. Loe:
(City) (State)	

MAYOR

Honorable Paul Poe	Dear Sir:
Mayor of the City of (City)	Dear Mr. Mayor:
City Hall	Dear Mayor Poe:
(City) (State)	



NEW WHITIN CHANGEOVERS EXHIBITED AT SOUTHERN TEXTILE EXPOSITION |

by George F. McRoberts,
Advertising Manager

A DISPLAY of four new types of spinning changeover equipment highlighted the Whitin exhibit in the 21st Southern Textile Exposition in Greenville, S. C., October 3-7, 1960.

The Greenville Show, as it is widely known in the industry, is staged every two years in Textile Hall, Greenville, S. C. The city of Greenville itself is a tremendous textile center and the home of many mills. Thousands of Greenville citizens are dependent upon the textile industry for their livelihood.

Even though admission to the show was more restricted this year than in the past, five to six thousand people attended the Exposition each day. The Whitin Sales and Service personnel were extremely busy. A good deal of interest was expressed by many visitors in the various types of equipment we were displaying. We are naturally optimistic that this interest will be reflected in additional orders in the very near future.

The Whitin changeovers were in operation on two 36-spindle 1952 spinning frames, 39" wide. One was a Model F2 and the other a Model F3. The Model F2 frame was equipped with the Whitin STA changeover on one side using 45° roll stands. On the opposite side was shown the new Whitin STA-R drafting system changeover particularly designed for modernizing frames made by another manufacturer.

The Model F3 frame was equipped on both sides with newly designed 60° roll stands. On one side was our brand-new Whitin WLBA drafting system

featuring a long bottom apron while on the other side we demonstrated the new type UT3 drafting system.

In displaying four types of changeovers, which had never been shown publicly before, we wanted to impress the mill visitors not only with the effectiveness of each individual changeover system but also to demonstrate the flexibility of the Whitin line of changeovers. We made it clear to all that Whitin was offering a choice of four types of changeovers at four different prices which would make a Whitin changeover competitive and attractive almost regardless of how much the mill wanted to invest. Our slogan was, "Designed Right, Built Right, Priced Right—There's a Whitin Changeover that is *Right* for you!"

The Exposition from our standpoint was highly competitive as a number of other manufacturers, both domestic and foreign, also were showing changeover units and various other modernization equipment for spinning frames. In addition to the changeover, we displayed spindle brakes, plastic ring holders, Casablancas bobbin holders and other items of interest to our mill friends.

Our booth was set up and manned by our service engineers from the Atlanta-Spartanburg and Charlotte-Greensboro regions. New machinery salesmen from all the southern offices were in attendance to greet their friends and customers. A number of officials from Whitinsville also visited the Exposition to keep abreast of machinery trends and developments.

WHITIN ★ ★ ★ ★ News Roundup

BOX JOB

by Alice Travaille

Many persons in the department enjoyed travelling to distant places during their third week of vacation. Oscar Tremblay went to the Pocono Mountains; Niagara Falls was visited by Ralph Nolet, Paul Grenon, Alan Rogers and Henry Such, who was celebrating his 25th anniversary. Paul also visited Toronto, Montreal, and Quebec. Joe Labrecque went to Quebec too. Frank Finn visited the Springfield Fair. Al Kapolka took day trips. Al Blanchette took the first week of November.

We enjoyed having all the borrowed men to help out during a rush period. Transferring here were Morris Wheeler, Joseph Tomassian, Ernest Dunlap, George Gauthier, Ronald Blanchard, and James Murphy. We hope they'll like being in our department. . . . Jim Dorsey is convalescing at home following a month's hospitalization at our local hospital. Carl Larsson is in the V.A. Hospital at West Roxbury. We hope to see both men back very soon and in the best of health.

A.T.F. PRESS ERECTING

by Edward J. Haczynski

Personality of the month is Ellis M. Burgess of Chestnut Hill, Millville, Mass. He was born in Woonsocket, brought up in Uxbridge and Millville, and is well known in this area. He attended Longfellow School in Millville and also took a two-year course for wood pattern making and wood working at Rhode Island School of Design. He is married to the former Miss Beatrice Palmer of North Uxbridge. They have two children, Debra 2 and Ellis, Jr. 2½ months. Ellis was stationed with the Army in the European theater during the Korean conflict. He has been with Whitin for ten years and has recently been appointed group leader of the new ATF press, HO, to be erected here in Whitinsville.

Don Baker, 12-year-old son of Gordon Baker, had the distinction of pitching a no hit, no run game in the Burrillville, Gloucester Little League. Don fanned 14 batters, permitted three walks and faced only 21 batters. He struck out the

first nine batters he faced before tiring and issuing a walk. Don was also leading batter with a homer and two doubles. David Baker, younger brother of Don, also on the same team, hopes to achieve the same glory in the future. Gordon is assistant coach and chief rooter for his sons and the team.

Thomas Foster, Felix Meileka and Ed Lindon have returned to the department after a brief layoff. . . . Preparations are already being made for the forthcoming Christmas party, to be held on Saturday, December 17, at the Beverly Club, Bellingham, Mass. Former members of this department, wishing to attend, contact Frank Ruo.

LINWOOD DIVISION

by Louise Sohigian and Dorsey Devlin

This column will in all probability be the last one from this division. As we write this news, two-thirds of Department 451 has been transferred to the main plant, most of it to Department 442 and the old Department 413. To some of the employees, it will be their first glimpse of the main plant, to others it will be a return to their original place of employment. The Linwood Division has been in operation since September, 1949. Department 450 was transferred from what is now the Research Division, to



The whole Whitin organization and the entire textile industry were stunned to hear of the tragic loss of three key Whitin employees, and several other men associated with the industry, in the crash of an Eastern Airlines Lockheed Electra plane. The plane plunged into Boston Harbor following take-off from Logan International Airport at 5:45 p.m., Tuesday, October 4. 62 lives were lost. The Whitin men who were on their way to the Southern Textile Exposition, Greenville, S. C., were Henry L. Thomas, Manager of Service Control, Domestic Sales Department; Evans Bedigian, Coordinator of Changeover Control in the Order Administration Department; and Ross B. Newton, Senior Project Engineer, Research Division. (Obituaries are on page 27.)



Sylvia Fullerton, daughter of Blanche Fullerton of Production, graduated from Worcester City Hospital School of Nursing in June

Linwood in September, 1949 and Department 451 moved from the same building to Linwood in December, 1946.

George Racine, of Storesroom No. 23, has decided to give up planning deep sea fishing trips. Three times this past year he made plans and three times hurricane warnings were displayed along the Atlantic coast. . . . Dirk Smith and Tom Schotanus were laid off from Department 450 and were replaced by Tommy Cawley and Selectman Paul Rutana from Comb-er Erecting.

Dorsey and Laura Devlin celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on October 26. They were married in the old St. Denis Church in East Douglas on that date in 1940. They have two children, Brian, aged 15, a sophomore at Douglas High School and a daughter Christine, aged 8. . . . Ernie Dumais, foreman for this division, gets our nomination for the hard luck guy of the year. While moving to a new location in Worcester, he was helping to carry the stove down the stairs when it let go, breaking his foot. The first day he came back to work, he received a call to return home to take his son to the hospital. The youngster sustained a broken arm while playing in the yard. . . . Terrence Sweeney, second shift fireman, spends his spare time brushing up on his bowling. He plans to challenge Wedgie Simon. . . . George Colombia, night fireman, celebrated his birthday November 5 and returned the same day.

Your reporters wish to take this opportunity to wish one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

PLANER JOB

by Fred Chaffee and Ray Woodcome

We welcome Arnold Inman and Nestor Zatonsky back to work. They were on sick leave. . . . Philip Bouley, a new member of this department, is out with a foot injury. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Philip Tjaarda has obtained his driver's license. Drive slowly, Phil. . . . Henry Labrecque is back with the night shift after a short leave of absence. . . . Maurice Patterson is out of the hospital after an operation. He looks good and we hope he will be back with us real soon. . . . Bill Todd spent a week in Maine and New Hampshire hunting and fishing. We are wondering whether we are going to have fresh salmon or venison steaks. . . . Brady O'Connell has taken up a new residence at 4 D. Street. . . . Harry Kazarian was out due to an operation on his leg, but is now back in full swing. . . . We welcome John Duff to the planning division at 414. . . . Leo Tetreault was recently married. Good luck Leo and Mrs. Tetreault. He also bought himself a new Nash Metropolitan.

John O'Brien of Department 414 was recently appointed a police officer. . . . Lew Lyman was chairman of the pledge drive at the Presbyterian Church. The goal of \$60,000 was exceeded. . . . We welcome to this department Armand Arpin, Andy Smith, Lawrence Perkins,



This is a photo of Mrs. Raymond Cournoyer taken after her recent marriage. She is the daughter of Myrtle Cronan, Department 442



Joan Ann Ebbeling, daughter of Sidney Ebbeling of the Planer Job, graduated from New England Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing, September 13

Pete Pelletier, Louis Buxton, Jan Denton and Marcel Perreault. . . . Welcome back to Dave Prince who was out of work because of an injured finger. . . . Leon Robidoux, one of our inspectors, is attending night school in Woonsocket. He is studying shop math and blueprint reading. . . . Ray Woodcome, Joe Degregrio and Bill Baszner donated blood last month. This was Bill's 60th pint. . . . At this writing our good friend Bill is in St. Vincent's Hospital undergoing surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Bill Todd's beagle pup has been winning prizes in dog shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Graves and family went to Mt. Clemens, Michigan for the Thanksgiving holiday. They visited Mrs. Graves' sister. . . . Ray Woodcome, Harold Cornell, Jerry D'Alfonso, Jack Young, Gibber Burke and Jack Kelliher attended the N. Y. Giants vs. Philadelphia Warriors game the week end of November 20. . . . Our good friend Walter Cuikaj recently had a cook-out for some of the boys. When it came time to eat Walter found that his keys were locked inside the car trunk with the food. We still don't know what they ate. . . . John Cellini is on the welcoming committee for the International Tape Recording Club. The headquarters are in Douglas. John has received tapes from Louisiana, Missouri, Panama, New York, Indiana, England, Germany, Illinois, Florida, Idaho and Washington.



Joseph Laverdiere, of Parts and Process in the Gear Department, wanted to be sure that everyone knew for whom he voted in the last presidential election

We offer our condolences to Barbara Siepietowski on the recent death of her husband, Fred, who was very popular among the men in Department 414; and to Donat Pothier on the death of his father-in-law, Henry Decelle.



Del Duhamel and Katherine Kiernan, between them, have accumulated ninety years of service at Whitin. Both work in the Traffic Department and were honored at the senior employee banquet in September. Del was presented a gold watch in recognition of his fifty years of seniority and Katherine received a forty-year service pin

CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Irene Mombourquette and Claire Legassey

At this time we welcome Mr. Roy Swanson, new General Stock Supervisor at 410. Roy comes to us from the Production Office. We also welcome Carol Vallis and Joseph Hvizdosh. Joe is a former co-worker and returns to us from Department 409. . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Aspinwall on their 36th wedding anniversary; to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lemire, their 25th; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mombourquette, their 24th; and Mrs. Joseph Roy, their 23rd. . . . Birthday greetings to Lorenzo Boulanger and Arthur "Jerry" Lemire. . . . Albert Himsey has returned to work after going through surgery in August. . . . We bid farewell to George Henderson, Jr., Charles Palmieri, and Leonard Gerald.

MILLING JOB

by Robert Vachon

Congratulations to Joseph Cadrin, who was presented a 20 year service pin in September, and to Romeo Suprenant, and Joseph Chicoine who received 5 year service pins. . . . We are glad to see David Giroux back on the job. He was hospitalized for several weeks.

Celebrating wedding anniversaries for November are Mr. and Mrs. Laforest Lunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Darling. . . . Anniversaries for December: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Merchant, Mr. and Mrs. John MacKinnon, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Romblad.

Birthdays for November: Ralph Peckham, Edward Brissette, and James Glynn. . . . Birthdays for December: Laurent Sampson, Peter Lalanne, Charles Vandena-Akker and Raymond Merchant.

If you have any news to be printed in the SPINDLE please don't hesitate to let me know because it is interesting to read about you in the SPINDLE.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

The third week's vacations seem to be at an end with the return of Raymond E. Fullerton, our estimable foreman. . . . All our ailing members have returned, namely, James Ferguson, Francis Joslin, and Leon Bruno. . . . We hope the Thanksgiving holiday, with its extra day of "rest" and food, didn't add too many pounds to the already excessive avoirdupois of many of us. . . . At this point the scars of battle of the election should have faded.



Penelope Hall, former Whitin employee, is training to be a nurse at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Brighton. She is the daughter of William Hall of the Spinning floor

In December, our birthday celebrants are Patrick McGovern, Julien Masson, Ernest Kroll and our erstwhile co-worker, Archie Fournier. Anniversaries, which are less prevalent, list only Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bruno. To start the New Year, we have one birthday in January, David



While on his third week of vacation, Ross Rajotte and family visited New York City. In this photo, taken by Ross, are his wife Christiane, daughter Evelyn and Carol Thibeault whose father works on the Grinder Job



Robert Anderson and Gail Parks were married in St. John's Episcopal Church, Millville, July 2

Richardson, and one anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fenner. We hope they all have suitably happy occasions and a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Bob Conlee

One of our co-workers has more friends than he thought. When it became known that he was holding a winning Irish Sweepstakes ticket, he claims he had relatives and friends calling him that he never knew of. . . . Norman Jussaume, planner, and Mrs. Jussaume, celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on November 5. They have two children and live in East Douglas. . . . Marking their 5th anniversary are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Donsercau. They celebrated by going to New York City for the week end. Leonard is a drill operator on the Chuck Job. . . . Charles Kheboian received his 15 year pin recently. . . . Charles Malkasian has his order in for a new 61 automobile. . . . Nick Beccia has a different auto. Nick says: "I'm selling the old one piece by piece." If anyone needs parts for a 51 Plymouth see Nick.

On our sick list is Mike Courtemanche, assistant foreman on the Automatics. He is in St. Vincent's Hospital at this writing. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Sam St. Andre is recuperating at the home of his daughter. We hope he will be back soon.

Willie Buchman has returned from Virginia. He took his daughter there for the purpose of making preparations to join her husband in Cuba. . . . Our inspector, Louis Pine, has been laid off. We all hope business will improve so that those who are not working will be recalled.

METAL PATTERNS

by Al Cencak

Philibos P. Bedigian, our personality of the month, was born in Harpoot, Armenia in 1894 and he came to America and Whitinsville in 1913. Peter, as we call him, started on the Chrome Job in 1914. Then he worked on the Packing Job and Annealing Room. Since 1922 he has been a foundry repair man. He is married to the former Alice Sohigian of Constantinople, Turkey. Peter and Alice reside at 453 Church Street, Whitinsville. They have three sons, Harry, Peter and Oscar and a daughter, Sarah. They also have 8 grandchildren. For hobbies Peter likes to play pinochle and to take care of his garden. This picture of Peter, taken a few years ago, shows he hasn't changed very much.



Peter Bedigian is the Personality of the Month for the Metal Pattern Job

Paul Mintoft won another trophy playing golf and he also received an award from his fellow pattern makers. The award was presented to him by Mrs. Florence Adams with our boss Mr. Henry Daubney doing the speech making. . . . Tom Jedrynski, among his other talents, has become a chicken plucker. Tom has been raising chickens for his own use. . . . Rollie Wilson made three miniature swimming pools. They had boats and flowers in them and men fishing. . . . Ed Scott's daughter, Sandra, had a 9th grade algebra problem, so Ed brought it in and six men helped him solve it. . . . Francis Spratt gave Andy Frieswick directions on how to get home from Boston. After circling 10 miles and going through the same toll gate twice Andy decided to get home his own way. . . . Bud Martin will concede that Henry Forget raises the largest potatoes, but Bud said Henry can't match his cucumbers.

Bud had three that weighed a total of 10 lbs. . . . Andy Frieswick received his 20 year service pin October 7. . . . Karl Rankin had a birthday October 17 and Al Cencak October 22. . . . Wedding anniversaries were celebrated by Florence Adams on September 15; Henry Daubney, his 24th, on September 19; Paul Mintoft on the 26th and Harold Kane, his 41st, on November 7.

As the man said, a father's biggest difficulty at Christmas is convincing the children that he is Santa Claus, and his wife that he isn't. It seems that too many adults and not enough children believe in Santa Claus.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Charles Creighton

Because no column from this department appeared in the last issue, some of the news may be late in getting around. . . . Congratulations to Michael Stanick and Rene Guilbert who received 15 year service pins and to Marguerite Thayer for receiving a 5 year pin. . . . New car owners are Billy Guertin, Rene Morrisette, Bob Fougere, Chris Losier, and Ed Sheehan.

The traffic office extends its deepest sympathy to Michael Smith, Henry Belanger, John and Michael Stanick upon the deaths of their mothers, and Fred Roy upon the death of his father.

Birthday wishes to: Bill Van Ness, Norman Flamand, H. Libby, E. Sheehan, Leo Gauthier, Roland Dunn, J. Landry, Rene Morrisette and Walter Bloniasz. . . . Get-well wishes to Roland Dunn, Alfred Roy, and Rita Turncott.



Robert Stewart, Director of Safety, recently presented Safety Warden pins to 185 employees associated with the Whitin safety program. Seen receiving her new pin is Nevart Santucci of Department 429

STEEL FABRICATION

by Alfred H. Nichols

We welcome Lucien Verrier of Woonsocket. He is a newcomer to this department. Lucien is a very conscientious worker. . . . Second shift personnel complained that their names do not appear in this column, so we will remedy the situation right now and introduce them. Chuck Waddington hails from Oxford and formerly worked at Pullman-Standard in Worcester. Joseph Rovedo, from Bellingham and Russ Rosborough are welders. Ed DiChristoforo is a charter member of the No. Smithfield rebels and hails from South Main Street, Woonsocket. Nel Champeau, Ed's partner, lives at the Fairmount Veterans' Housing Project in Woonsocket. Harold Longmire is a part-time Stanley Home Products salesman and lives in Mendon. Eddie Ranslow lives in Chockalog and owns nine dogs! Ted Patrie travels with his uncle Ed St. Onge and both live in Fairmount section, Woonsocket. Richard Auger is the handsome ex-marine and Bob Lamoureux is the rifle expert on the second shift. John O'Hara owns a parcel of land in No. Smithfield, R. I. and raises hogs. Armand Arpin is a former auto race track promoter and executive. Ask him to tell you some of his experiences! Richard Flinton works part time at a lumber mill. Frank Charette and Andy Sandborn are the two quietest on the second shift, and the noisiest happens to be none other than Ed Vadenais. Thomas McCrory and Paul Dohlus keep the spot welders humming. Gerry Dagesse and Ray Malley bang away on the large brakes. All this is supervised by friendly and helpful Sal Saccocio!

By the way—Happy Holidays to all!



Armand L. Bonin, Jr. of the Grinder Job, and Claire A. O'Neil, of South Bellingham, were married in the Church of the Assumption, South Bellingham, July 4



Paul Lemelin, Department 411, is thankful that Whitin takes the necessary precautions to safeguard employees. While Paul was burring a piece of steel the rest on the machine vibrated loose. The steel piece caught between the wheel and the rest and then suddenly shot out and lodged in the goggles as shown. Paul went to Superintendent Steele to thank management for prescribing safety goggles for this burring operation

ROVING

by William Markarian

The noon hour crib league grinds on hotter than ever. The challenge was made, met, and the challengers defeated. Harry Chase and company beat Skinner and company fair and square. Of course, we losers had good alibis, but it goes down in the books anyway. . . . Victor Ziemski, of 427 Inspection, has been released from St. Vincent Hospital after an operation. We want to see him back on the job soon. We need him in our crib league. . . . New honors have been heaped upon George Herteau. Recently he was installed as Commander of the American Legion Post of Bellingham. . . . We reluctantly note that Al Jollicoeur, Al Leveille, and Ray Rzewuski are leaving us. We wish them good luck. . . . We have to admit that Frank Lewandowski knows how to grow tomatoes. He gave us a chance to sample some from his garden.

GRINDER JOB

by Hector Chase

Nicholas Creasia, Jr., 3 years old, who was hit and fatally injured by an auto in Milford October 26, was the grandson of Mrs. Theresa Creasia, inspector in this department. We extend our deepest sympathy. . . . Your writer hopes that as you read this, he will have had a deer steak given to him by Norman Stanley. Norm and his two daughters, Barbara

and Mary went to Maine for Norman's third week of vacation. He will spend Thanksgiving with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stanley, then will enjoy a week of deer hunting. . . . Glad to have Marcel P. Pouliot back with us after 8 months of being in and out of hospitals. Marcel says he feels much better. . . . Clinton L. Tracy is also back with us after a short illness. . . . Mrs. Ora Gauvin, wife of Arthur Gauvin, is back home after a trip to St. Vincent Hospital. Arthur says she is feeling much better. Mrs. Gauvin is also celebrating her 62nd birthday. . . . Mike Baiano is walking around the shop with his head up high. He is sporting a new Dodge.

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Janice Hobbs

Congratulations to the following people who have received service pins: Beatrice Cant, 10 years; Kenneth Stanley, 20 years; G. Leo Harbig, Jr., 5 years; William Pontes, 5 years. . . . Congratulations also to Joseph Provost, John Kearns, and William Pontes who graduated from the Apprentice School this year. . . . We wish a very speedy recovery to Otto Schlums, who was taken quite ill while in Canada. We are looking forward to seeing him back on the job real soon. . . . I am happy to say that Leo Harbig and Ray Mooradian are once again back in the "fold." They both were out for quite some time with serious illnesses and we are glad to see that they have recovered so well.



MYSTERY PHOTO—Harry Drinkwater, on the left, was the one to identify last month. On the right is a picture of a foreman and his wife taken during their courting days

Wedding anniversary wishes for November to Dick Hare, Ed Perry, John Hapworth and Joe Kostka; for December to T. McCallum. . . . Birthday wishes for November to Herb Bliss, Don King, Dick Hare, and Hugo Meotti.

I hope that my next column will have more news in it, but I can't do that without the help of the people in Research. So if you have any news at all, it will be greatly appreciated.

MASTERLIST AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS

by Lou Lucier

Expect T. Ebbeling back with us before this is read. She has been out quite some time due to sickness. Due to his accident, G. Burgess is back in the hospital after working with us for a short time. We wish both a speedy recovery. . . . Paddy White, one-time employee of our department, moved to Clearwater, Florida, soon after retiring. During the past summer he paid a visit to all of us. Florida must be doing Paddy lots of good as he has certainly gained weight. . . . Jim Ferry, who also retired this past year, has paid us a few visits since his departure. . . . Our bowling team, with their mighty captain, R. Yeo, is holding its own in the shop league. "This is our year," says Ren. Let's hope it is. . . . C. Baker left our employ to find work elsewhere. . . . Celebrating birthdays in October and November are R. Gaddas, E. Plante, P. Bedrosian, M. Deshaies, R. Arpin, E. DesJourdy, E. Haggerty, K. Piper, E. Baillargeon, E. Elliott, W. Young, R. Courtemanche.

WAGE STANDARDS

by Irene Barnett

Personality of the month! Walter E. Lanagan, Time Study man, was born in Franklin, January 11, 1906, one of seven children. He attended Franklin public schools, Boston University and Barrington College. He has been employed by Whitin since March 17, 1941. Walter married the former Lillian Fifield, music supervisor in the Northbridge public schools. The couple have three daughters: Mrs. Paul Topham (Rachel), Mrs. Nicholas DeHaas (Mary) and Mrs. Kermit Bickford (Betty). There are four fine grandchildren which the Lanagans enjoy daily. Walter has been superintendent of the Franklin Gospel Mission for 25 years. He is a Deacon, a member of the board of trustees and teacher of the men's



The Wage Standards' Personality this month is Walter Lanagan

class in his church. Walter often assists in worship services in his church and sometimes delivers a sermon. His favorite pastimes are reading, visitations, Gideon meetings, and church work in general which he enjoys doing. In his spare time he also enjoys trips to Rockland, Maine, Canada, etc.

At this time I would like to welcome all the new members to our department. We hope they will enjoy working with us. . . . Happy birthday greetings to Edgar Haworth, Beverly Vincent, Carl Porter, Leonard Skerry, George LaPointe, Dorothy Forgit, Ruth Benson, and Eleanor Lloyd. . . . Donald Benson has been transferred to Department 485. He was assigned to a special project on cost and methods for the Steel Fabrication Department. . . . Bert Taschereau and Julia Skeary received their 5-year pins. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George LaPointe on their 15th wedding anniversary. . . . Several of our men have been enjoying their third week of vacation. Thomas Stevenson is putting in a new plastic tile bathroom, Cecil Baker visited New York State, Donald Amiro enjoyed being home and taking occasional short trips. Edgar Haworth flew to California to see his daughter and said he had a wonderful trip.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone! Happy birthday wishes in December to Henry Pariseau and Albert Brouwer. Celebrants in November were Donald Hamblet, Leo Petrie, Gilbert Baker, Bridget Wawrczkiewicz. We wish Catherine Larsen and her husband John many more wedding anniversaries. They celebrated their 10th in November. . . . Walter Frieswick was one of the fathers who took the time to take a group of Explorer scouts to West Point to see Army and Miami of Ohio play football. The Army won with a score of 30 to 7. . . . Wendell Piper and John Walsh are back to work after enjoying their third week of vacation. . . . We want to welcome Jean Lindem to the department. She came to us from Crib No. 5 and is working for Ben Musket. We hope she enjoys her stay here. . . . Mathew Krajewski and Al Capone are both trying to see who can lose the most weight but are going about it scientifically—keeping charts etc. Matty has the edge however, because he has been out with a virus infection and that helped him to lose weight. . . . Louis Beval and Ray Meader have returned from a trip to Barcelona, Spain. They were on a business trip for W.M.W. . . . Some of the folks from the department enjoyed a Christmas party at Wrights Farm and needless to say a good time was had by all.

The Timers Bowling Team has started for the season with Capt. Gordon Rattray, Bob Tancere, Cecil Baker, Leonard Sherry, Henry D'Alfonso, and Donald Frieswyk. On September 14, the Timers defeated the Office team 4-0. Donald Frieswyk and Leonard Skerry were high bowlers for the Timers.

- Sept. 21—Cutters 3, Timers 1
L. Skerry, high 296
- Sept. 28—Listers 0, Timers 4
L. Skerry, high, 348
- Oct. 5—Repair 1, Timers 3
G. Rattray, high, 311
- Oct. 12—Arcades 0, Timers 4
L. Skerry, high, 363
- Oct. 19—Packers 3, Timers 1
D. Frieswyk, high 299
- Oct. 26—Non-Texters 2, Timers 2
L. Skerry, high 321

ORDER ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

by Virginia Lindblom

I neglected to welcome Marian Merchant back to the office in the last SPINDLE but needless to say we are happy she is with us again. . . . We also extend a welcome to Robert J. Hansbury, Jack Ratcliffe from Engineering and Jim Brosnahan of Whitbec. . . . Mary Galleshaw and her husband Bill of Pattern Storage visited friends in Pittsfield at a time when the Berkshires were at their height of color. . . . Fred Hanny reported that the fall foliage in Vermont was perfect for taking colored slides.



Gordon C. Lohmiller was named Superintendent of Master Planning for the Production Department on July 18. He has been production control manager for both the C. V. Hill Co., Inc., of Trenton, N. J., and the S. K. F. Industries of Philadelphia. Gordon, Mrs. Lohmiller and daughter Karen live in Oxford

. . . Ray Adams had perfect weather for his third week of vacation in October. . . . Charlie Noble and Orrin Austin also took their third week of vacation in October. Charlie mentioned several good restaurants that he visited. . . . Cecil Small, Bill Baird, Helen Tatro, and yours truly attended the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield. . . . John Golder visited various mills in the East Carolina section the week of October 24 to see how the Order Administration Department could best assist them with their various problems. The temperature registered 75° in Charlotte while we were having snow here. . . . We hope that Laurel



Roland Farrar, of Works Accounting, is now a minister of the Gospel. He was formally ordained at the Centre Congregational Church, Northbridge Center, September 11

Gleason will be back with us again soon. Laurel had to spend some time in Doctors' Hospital. . . . We are glad to have Isabelle Hagopian back with us after being ill. . . . Helen Tatro broke a bone in her finger in a fall downstairs. She was en route to the mail room here in the Shop. . . . Elmer Benton has left us and now works from the Sales Floor. Elmer is proud of his son Kenneth who maintains a high standard of marks at Worcester Tech where he is on the Dean's List and recently received an award from the R.O.T.C. . . . R. W. Rawlinson was presented his 20 year service pin in October by John H. Bolton, Jr. . . . Russell Braman will leave for a vacation in Trinidad on Thanksgiving Day. . . .



Ernest Pickup

RETIREMENTS

Ernest Pickup, Foreman of the Framework Machining Department, retired August 31 after being with Whitin for 29 years. Others who have retired in recent weeks are Alexander Jongmsa, 47 years; Melvin J. Young, 41 years; Armand C. Pinsonneault, 41 years; Henry Gervais, 38 years; Joseph I. Bartlett, 32 years; J. Hans Kovar, 32 years; Charles Espanet, 31 years; Arthur Bachand, 29 years; Angelo Arciero, 27 years; Armand Benoit, 20 years; Harmas Dion, 19 years; William Price, 15 years; Charles Roukema, 13 years; Hagop Arakelian, 13 years; Joseph D. Auger, 13 years; Roland L. Albee, 11 years; and Grace D. Heath, 7 years.

Anniversaries were celebrated in November by "Tootie" Devlin, Tom Marshall, Jennie Commons, and Mary Galleshaw and in December by Bill Baird.

Mrs. Katherine Meade, who makes her home with her son-in-law and daughter, William and Mary Galleshaw, celebrated her 90th birthday with a family party on October 31. There were four generations present, including six great-grandchildren. Margaret Guertin, another daughter, attended.



**Arthur K. Stewart
Semifinalist**

Arthur K. Stewart, son of Robert Stewart, Manager of Employee Services, and Mrs. Stewart, has been named finalist in the 1960-61 National Merit Scholarship program. Students in more than 15,000 high schools competed in the qualifying tests. The competition was open to students in any public, private or parochial high school in the United States and its possessions.

The Merit Scholarship Program was founded in 1955 with grants from the Ford Foundation and the Carnegie Corporation of New York. Today, there are more than 115 business and industrial organizations among the sponsors. Over 4000 students and their colleges have received financial assistance through the scholarship program.

Arthur, a senior at Northbridge High School, is editor of the school newspaper, a member of the track team, Student Council and school band.

This month semifinalists will be required to take a three-hour scholastic aptitude test of the College Entrance Examination Board. Those who score favorably will compete in the finals. Scholarships average about \$750 a year with a maximum of \$1500 a year.



**Robert F. Romasco
Promoted**

Robert F. Romasco of Charlotte, N. C., has been appointed Service Control Manager at Whitin according to an announcement by R. I. Dalton, Jr., Vice President—Domestic Sales.

Mr. Romasco was recently transferred from the Company's Charlotte office to the Whitinsville Sales headquarters where he will assume his new duties.

Mr. Romasco brings to his new position many years of experience in the erecting and servicing of Whitin textile machinery. He came to Whitin in 1948 and enrolled in an 18 months training program in preparation for erecting Whitin machinery in this country and abroad. In 1955, he was promoted to Service Engineer, working out of the Charlotte, N. C. office and served in this capacity until his recent appointment.

He is a graduate of Uxbridge High School, Class of '39, and served in the United States Army in World War II.

He is married to the former Lucille Tancrell of North Uxbridge. They have a daughter Roberta, age 17, and a son Dennis, age 15.



**C. Roger Brussee Named to
Whitin Marketing Post**

C. Roger Brussee of Minneapolis, Minn., was named Manager of Marketing Services of Whitin Machine Works on September 19.

Mr. Brussee brings to Whitin a varied background of experience in sales work, as well as in market analysis and market research. He has been associated with Univis Lens Company, Dayton, Ohio, as Director of Market Research and with the McCulloch Corporation, Marine Division, manufacturers of outboard motors in Minneapolis, Minn., as Manager of Market Research and Sales Operations. Before joining Whitin, Mr. Brussee was Marketing Manager for the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. Brussee was born in Cleveland, Ohio and received his B.S. degree in Business Administration at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Following his schooling, he served in the U. S. Navy for two years in the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, D.C. He is married and has two sons, and is active in the American Marketing Association and the Lions Club.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

by Gloria Novack and
Jean Legere

A farewell party was held October 13, at Ye Olde Oyster Cabin, for "Chuck" Bois and Bob Courchene who have left to take new positions. We wish them lots of luck. . . . A luncheon was held at the Blue Jay, on October 28, to say farewell to Edna Jones who has left to join her husband in Spartanburg, South Carolina. . . . We welcome back Janice Nelson and Pat Kosiba, and say hello to Robert Shemelagian and Paul McArdle. . . . Quite a few new cars are being driven by Accounting personnel. Ray Colby has an ivory Pontiac, Homer Adams has a Rambler, Yvonne and John Lash are riding around in a green Ford and Eve Lundberg has a blue Ford. . . . Cal Hubbard has had the honor of being chosen the "personality of the month" by the Worcester Chapter of the National Association of Accountants. A very complimentary article was published in the *News Letter* of October, 1960.

Dick Hanny has been on jury duty for five weeks, and Tom Altoonian takes up where he leaves off for the next five weeks. They should be able to write a best seller on their court room experiences when it's all over. . . . The engagement of Joseph W. Perras, Department 462, to Susan Millette has been announced. A spring wedding is planned. . . . The Accounting Department Christmas Party will be held on December 17 at the Club Embassy. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., with dancing to Rodney Delasantis' orchestra from 8:00 to midnight. A few surprises are being planned, so everyone should have a good time.



To Archie Misakian and Mrs. Misakian, a son, Elliot Peter, born on October 4. Mrs. Misakian is the former Helen Altoonian of the Methods Department.

To Frank Budnick of Methods and Mrs. Budnick, a son, Brian John, 8 lbs. 10½ oz.

To Mr. and Mrs. John McQuade, a son, Charles Francis, weight 7 lbs. 11 ozs., born July 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Nowlan, a daughter, Doreen Marie, born August 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald McCutcheon of Harrisville, a son, Donald George, Jr., 7 lbs. 9 oz., at Woonsocket Hospital on September 6.



Mary Hayward and Angelo Rubuffo were married in the Good Shepherd Church, Linwood, October 9, 1960. After the honeymoon trip to New York they will live on Hartford Avenue, North Uxbridge.

Gerald Ross and Kathleen Busha of North Grafton were married at St. Mary's Church, Grafton, November 26. They will make their home on Highland Street, Northbridge.



Henry L. Thomas, 48, Manager of Service Control, died October 4. He lived at Caswell Court, East Douglas and had been a Whitin employee since 1933. He was a graduate of Douglas Memorial High School and Worcester Boys' Trade High School. Later he studied textile engineering at Lowell Technological Institute. He was a past president of the Ichthus Club of East Douglas and a member of the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club. He was born in East Douglas and is survived by his wife, the former Anna V. Bloniasz.

Evans Bedigian, 41, Coordinator of Changeover Control, died October 4. He lived at 11 Elm Place, Whitinsville and had been a Whitin employee for 21 years. He was the husband of Mrs. Martha (Boghosian) Bedigian and the father of two sons, Evans Paul, 13 and James David, 2. He graduated from Northbridge High School in 1937 and was a technical sergeant in the U.S. Army in World War II. He was a deacon of the Village Congregational Church. He was a member of the Olive Branch Lodge of Masons and the Whitinsville Golf Club.

Ross B. Newton, 39, Senior Project Engineer in the Research Division, died October 4. He lived at 20 Whitin Avenue, Whitinsville with his wife Mrs. Mary

(Jellison) Newton and their four children, Randolph 8, Karen 5, Keith 4 and Joan 1½. Ross was a graduate of Lamoille Central Academy in Hyde Park and held a bachelor degree of science from the University of Vermont. He was a World War II veteran having served three years with the Army in the Pacific.

Adolph L. Roy died September 27. He was a Whitin machinist for 53 years. He was 78.

Frederic Siefertowski, 45, died in St. Vincent's Hospital September 29. He was a planer hand in Department 414. While in Northbridge High School and Notre Dame he was active in athletics. In recent years he umpired in Little League and softball games.

Wilfred L. Dupont, 58, was employed as a machinist before his death on September 25. He lived at 18 Crescent Street, Whitinsville.

Mrs. Victoria Hartshorn, Uxbridge, mother of Ernest Hartshorn, Assistant Treasurer of the Credit Union, and Raymond of Department 428, died September 18.

George Ferry, 84, a Whitin employee for 56 years before his retirement nine years ago, died October 9. He is survived by his wife and a son, George F. Ferry, painter.

John B. Lemire, Jr., 55, Storesroom tender, died September 24. He was a veteran of World War II and lived in Linwood.

Earle E. Stanley, 59, Fitter in Department 448, died in his home on Elm Street, Upton, September 14.

Pat Digregorio of Department 428, died September 2, Milford, Mass.

Viateur Gagnon died August 13 at Davis Park Veterans' Hospital. He was the father of Normand Gagnon of Department 428.

Francis Sewell, father of Raymond Sewell of Department 428, died August 28, at Fall River.

Henry J. Decelle, 74, died at the Highland Park Nursing Home, Uxbridge, October 26. He was a retired Whitin employee.

Ernest G. Lescault, 65, of Uxbridge, died in St. Vincent's Hospital, October 25. He was a native of Linwood and at one time was a Whitin employee.

Edwin (Ted) Barritt, 70, of 21 North Main Street, Whitinsville, died October 31. He lived in this town for 40 years and was a Whitin employee for a number of years.

Armand Auger, Milling Job night shift, passed away on September 24.

Season's Greetings to All!

THE WHITIN SPINDLE



REHEARSING THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

GRAHAM HUNTER