

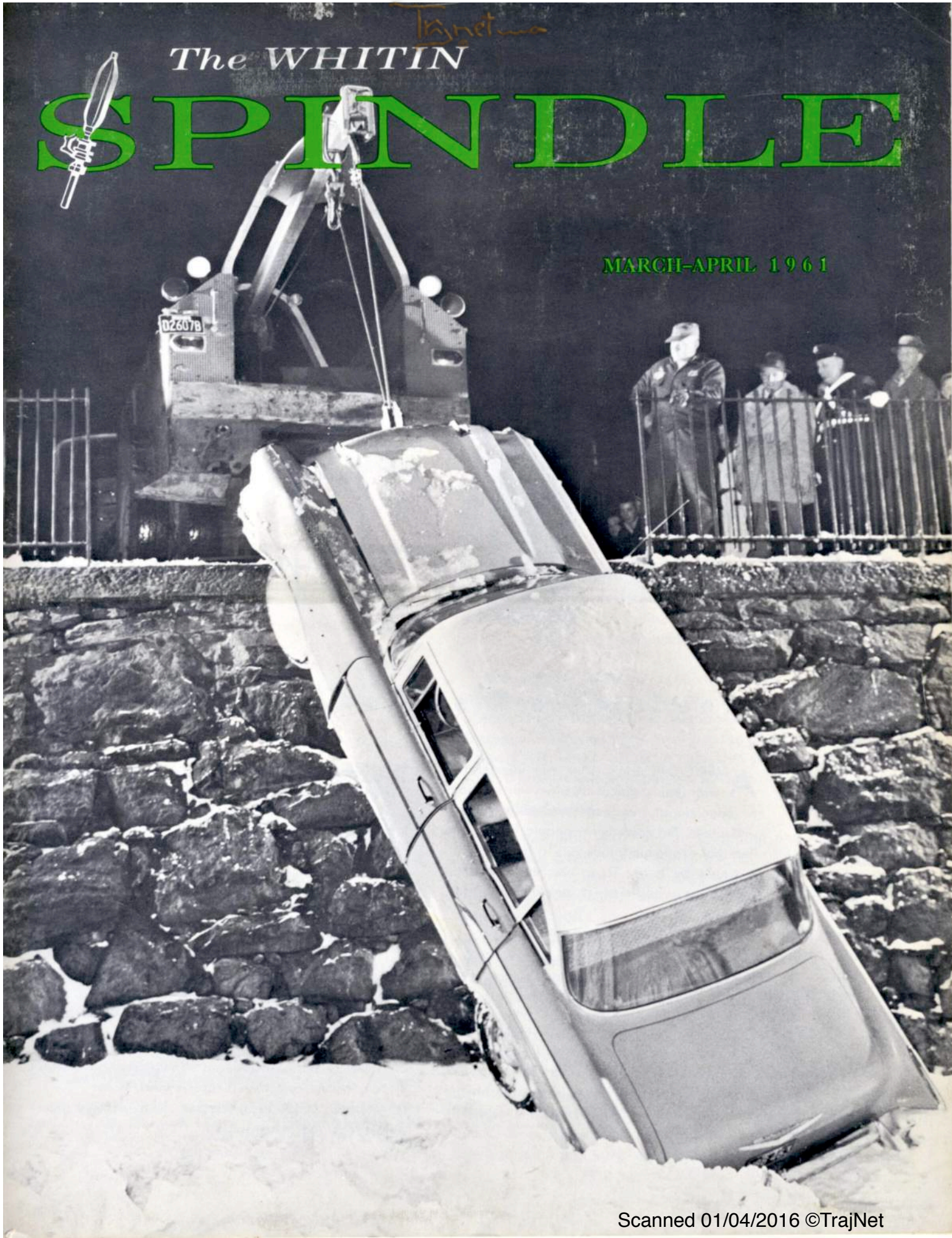
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Freedom—to Risk and to Compete

AMERICANS don't want any interference with their political freedom—or religious or educational freedom; freedom of speech and press. But sometimes, people fall for the line that economic freedom is 'different'—that it would be better if government controlled such things as business size, production, profits, wages and prices.

This theory follows from the old socialist complaint that our free economic system is 'laissez faire,' meaning a do-as-you-please, anything-goes, way of running the nation's business.

However, economic freedom does not mean that business does as it pleases. Every form of freedom has its own natural laws and obligations. The laws of the free economy are hard—but they work.

IN OUR American system, competition sets up the laws. The business man must compete for capital . . . for new ideas . . . better quality . . . lower costs . . . skilled employees . . . above all, to win and hold the customer's choice. He must faithfully meet obligations to the public, to employees, to government, and investors.

Economic freedom is the freedom to risk everything on an idea and get into the thick of competition, in the hope of building a profitable enterprise. By contrast, socialism discourages risk-taking, stops competition, and profits hardly anyone.

American business does not do as it pleases; it does as the customer pleases—which is the hard way, but the best way for all of us, as employees and as consumers.

New office and plant of Firth Carpet Co., at Burnsville, N. C. This modern plant for spinning wool yarns from raw stock through finished yarn is located at the foot of Mount Mitchell, highest mountain east of the Rockies



A NEW TWIST

To an Old Art

WHEN HEAVY woven fabrics were first used as rugs to make a nomad's tent more comfortable, they were designed for the special purpose of forming a crude type of flooring.

Modern carpets and rugs have come a long way from that centuries-old style. In fact, today's carpets and rugs perform many other functions than just floor coverings. In addition to providing comfort and warmth on the floor, they may also be a focal point of room decoration, cut down noise and aid house-keeping.

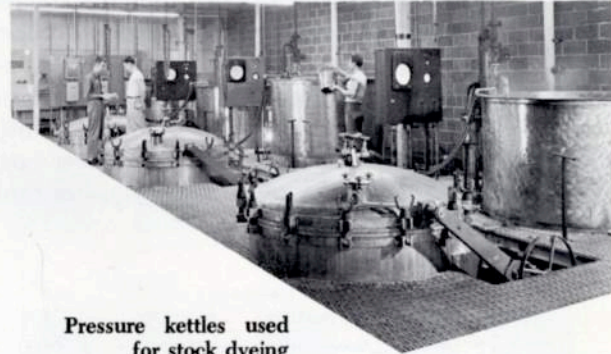
Color and Texture Selection Unlimited

For today's modern homes, manufacturers make carpets in a wide variety of patterns, colors and textures. One of the leading manufacturers who produces a complete range of woven floor coverings of all types and grades is the Firth Carpet Company, Firthcliffe, N. Y. Firth is one of the major producers of Wiltons, Axminsters, velvets and tufted rugs. This company has mills in Firthcliffe and Auburn, New York; Burnsville, N. C.; Laurens, S. C.; and Puerto Rico.

The Firth Carpet Company has designed its new



Second blending begins where dyed stock drops from the overhead duct into the truck. Then it is sandwich-stored in bins. Stock from bins is cut vertically and fed to a pit at feeders and precarders



Pressure kettles used for stock dyeing

Burnsville and Laurens mills to eliminate, as much as possible and consistent with economy, all manual handling of materials. The wool carpet yarn is made at Burnsville and the weaving is done largely in Laurens, S. C.

Although the modern methods used by Firth for materials handling are unique in both plants, the opportunities for effecting economies are greater at Burnsville because here most of the wool is in the preparatory stage. It is in this area of preparation that Whitin equipment plays a leading role.

Burnsville Division

This new mill, with modern blending and dyeing equipment, latest model Whitin M 84" Wool Cards, Model E Wool Spinning frames and Model K Trap Twisters, is probably the most efficient mill of its kind in the world.

The modern single-story, fully air-conditioned Burnsville plant is 300 feet wide and 600 feet long. It has 200 employees and currently produces 150,000 pounds of finished carpet yarn per three-shift five-day week. However, production facilities are flexible enough to process up to 290,000 pounds of wool stock at peak capacity.

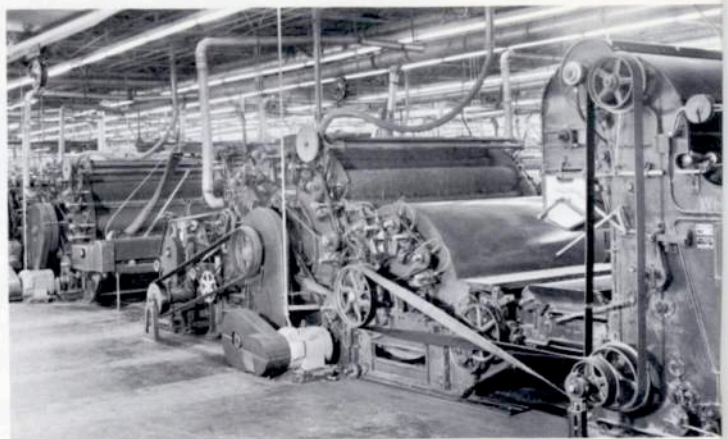
The wool fibers used are Indian, Mid-Eastern, and South American virgin wool in approximate 4½" fiber length. These wool fibers are manufactured as blends of all-wool yarns; and in addition, are blended with man-made fibers such as rayon, Acrilan, and nylon.

During the first operations of opening, dyeing and blending there is some manual handling of stock. But from this point on, manual handling is confined to removing material from machines and placing it on conveyors.

Ten Parallel Production Lines

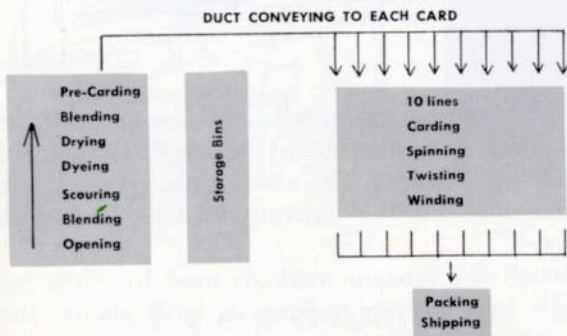
After the final blending of stock the handling becomes more automatic. The production area is laid out into 10 parallel production lines running lengthwise of the room. Machines in tandem in each individual line are: wool card set, two spinning frames, one or two twister frames, and two winders. Stock started through the card stays in the individual line all the way through winding—there's no crossing over.

The Model M Card consists of the following Whitin equipment: automatic card feed, breast, breaker card, R Conveyor, N Intermediate feed table, finisher card, and double rub condenser.



Side view of Whitin Model M, Two Cylinder, 84" Wool Card Set

Directly in tandem with each card are two Whitin Model E Wool Spinning frames processing only the stock from the card in the line. In the 10 parallel production lines there are 15 Whitin Model K Trap Twisters. Five production lines have only one twister, and five lines have two twisters. The lines with two twisters are used for high-twist yarn.

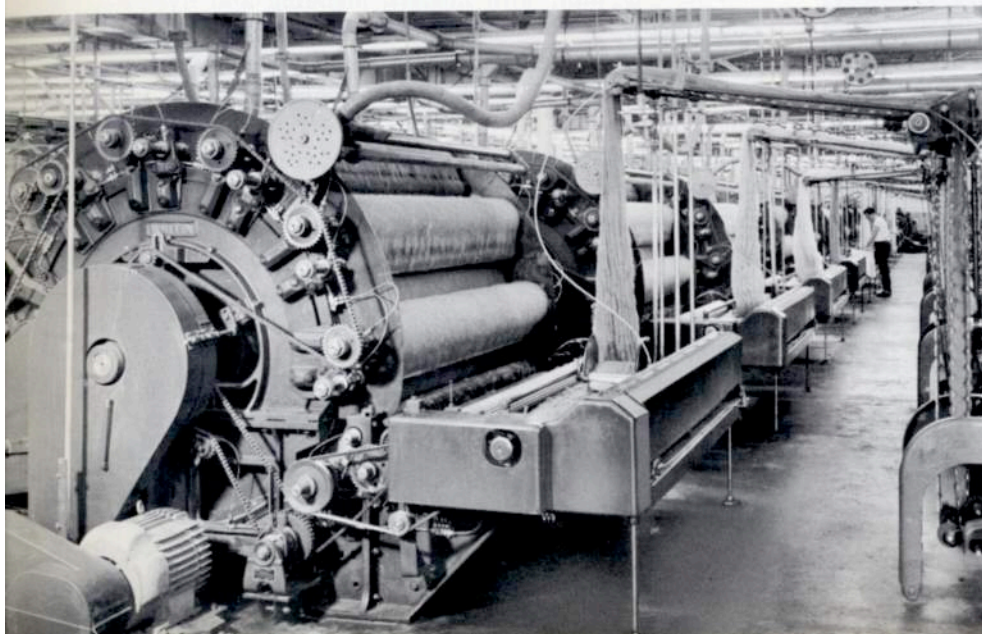


Schematic work flow chart

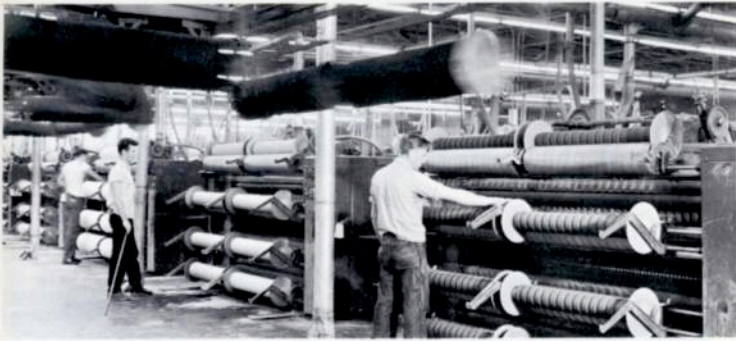
Automatic Materials Movement

From the beginning of each production line to the end, all stock is moved forward automatically. The carder places the spools on an endless overhead conveyor as he doffs them from the tape condenser. The monorail encircles the two spinning frames in the line, and the conveyor runs continuously. Spinners remove the spools as they are needed, and empty spools are returned by the same system.

By each side of each spinning frame, there's a double-deck, roller-type conveyor which extends on



Intermediate feeds and overhead conveyors between breaker card and finisher card is the first automatic movement of sliver in the production area. Each of the 10 production lines is identical at this point



84" Condenser Fronts showing Overhead Conveying System for transporting spools

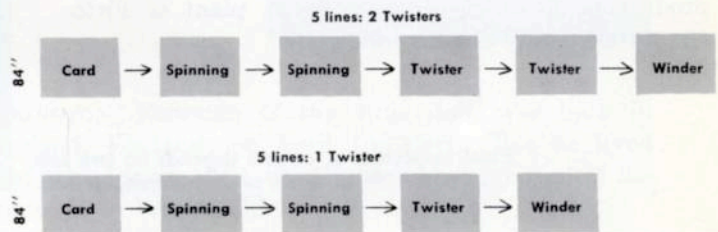
down the line to each side of the twister frames in the same line. As bobbins of filling are doffed at spinning, they are placed in a tray on the top deck of the conveyor. Empty bobbins are returned from twisters to spinning by the lower deck of the same conveyor.

In this same way, full yarn bobbins and empty bobbins are transported between twisters and winders by another conveyor.

A third conveyor, which has an endless belt and runs in only one direction, carries wound cones of yarn from the winders to the shipping area. Each lot of yarn is set on the floor in rows here so that the entire lot can be inspected at once. Then the cones of yarn are put into cloth bags and placed on pallets for shipping.

At this point, the stock in being processed, has made a complete circuit of the mill and is now back at the point of entrance but ready to be shipped as finished carpet yarn.

Layout of 10 production lines



Alley view of Wool Spinning frames showing modern conveying methods. Spools are handled on overhead carriers while filled bobbins are transported on roller tables to twisters in background

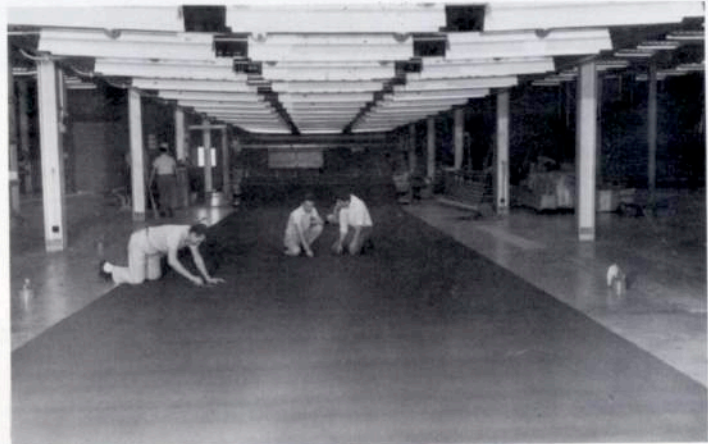


Firth plant at Laurens, S. C. Two-year-old building has two production floors and each is 87,000 square feet

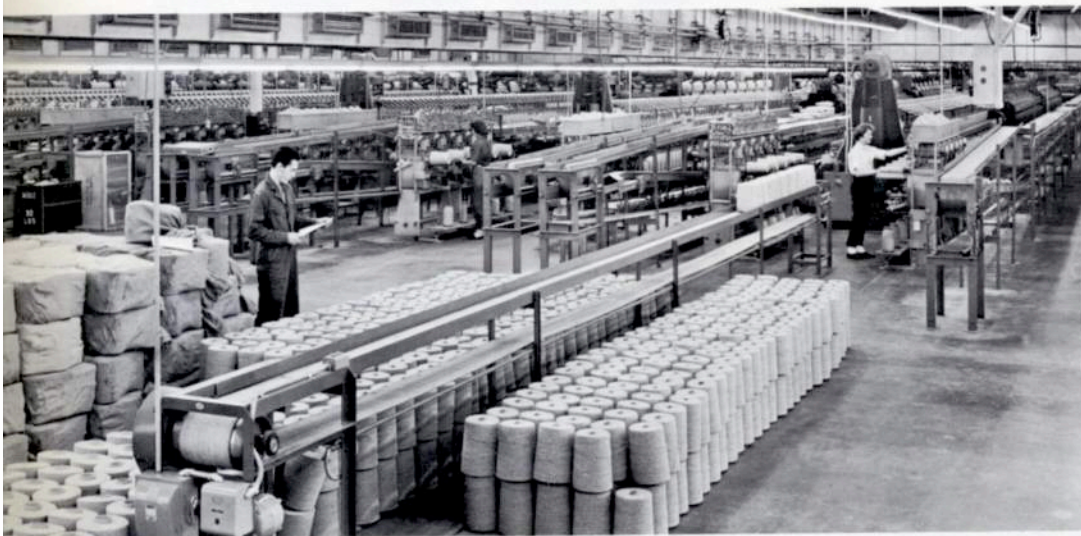


Whitin's Role in the Mill of the Future

The Burnsville plant of Firth Carpet Company moves far along the pathway of mill operation technology. Bold in concept and novel in arrangement, it demonstrates that modern textile machinery has greater use potential than has been secured in current and former industry practice. Imaginative but careful planning preceded the project; machinery was selected only after detailed evaluation and comparison. It is from such progressive ventures as this that the textile industry grows in stature, blueprinting mills of the future. In them, Whitin intends to have the machinery to make them even more efficient and productive, as the Burnsville, S. C. plant of Firth Carpet Company demonstrates now.



Final inspection of carpets depends on two sets of lamps to show minute defects

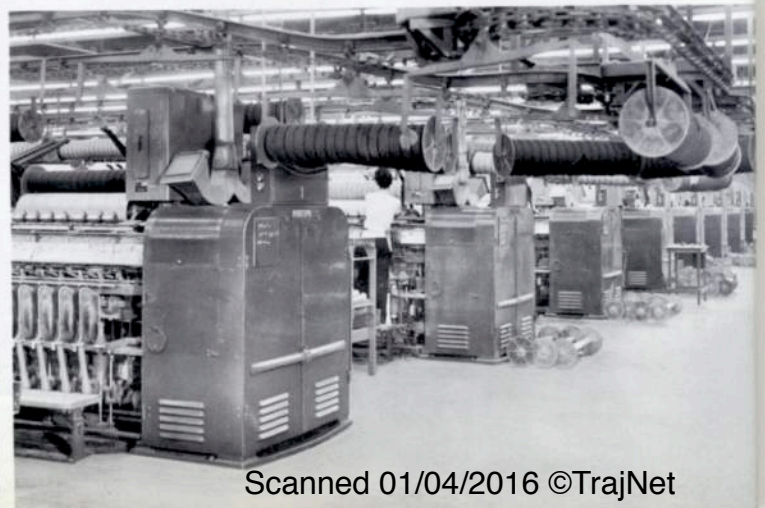


Over-all view of room showing Winding and Packaging operations in foreground

View from above of Model K Selective-type Trap Twister



Conveyor system serving spinning frames



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A MAJOR BOOBYTRAP

NONWORK ACCIDENTS, a major boobytrap for Americans, are a "veritable Fifth Column" in our midst.

The toll in 1959 was 77,200 nonwork accidental deaths of workers and members of their families, 13,800 deaths in work accidents. This means that nonwork accidents took about six times as many lives as work accidents. Home accidents alone brought death to 27,000 persons.

The cost of off-the-job accidents to workers and their families was three billion dollars; to industry 550 million.

Don't leave safety behind at the factory gate. A worker injured off the job is just as lost to his family and industry as if the accident had occurred at a machine.

**WHITIN
PERSONALITY**



JOSEPH HETHERINGTON, Foreman of the Ring Job, was born in Carlisle, Cumberland, England, on April 15, 1908. But he lived there only a brief time for, in 1910, the Hetherington family left the British Isles and came to Whitinsville.

Joe attended the local schools and in 1923 became an employee of the Whitin Machine Works. After working on the Metal Pattern Job for a year, he enrolled in the Company's Apprentice School and served his time as a metal patternmaker. He worked at his trade until he reached the age of 22, and then transferred to the Tool Job where he made small tools, jigs and fixtures. A few years later he was made supervisor of the small tool section. In March 1947, he was promoted to supervisor of the Ring Job. He was appointed foreman of this department in 1951.

Once interested in fishing and photography, Joe now spends most of his spare time bowling in the church league, making home repairs, reading and watching TV. He and Mrs. Hetherington, the former Eleanor Stuart of Whitinsville, occasionally spend week-ends in New Hampshire or Vermont. Joe and Eleanor live in a duplex house, which they own, on Whitin Avenue.

Through the years Joe has participated in local sports, plays and minstrel shows. For many years he was a baritone soloist in the Whitin Male Glee Club and in the Village Congregational Church choir.

He is a member of the Granite Lodge A.F. & A.M., St. Elmo Chapter.

FRONT COVER: Mrs. Howard Walker, 8 Spring Street, Whitinsville, narrowly escaped death on February 7 when the automobile which she was driving skidded and crashed through a fence at the Whitin Belfry Tower entrance and dropped into a yard fifteen feet below the level of Main Street. With her at the time of the accident was a sister-in-law, Mrs. Lorraine Bell. Both women were taken to Memorial Hospital, Worcester, for examination and observation. Pictured is the Walker car being hauled back onto the street the following evening. Another photograph on page 20 shows the car after it landed on snow-covered card cylinders.

NAMED TO TREASURY POSTS



Vaughn E. West

Vaughn E. West Named Whitin Treasurer

Vaughn E. West was appointed Treasurer of the Whitin Machine Works at the Board of Directors' Meeting on January 18, 1961. In this capacity, Mr. West will be responsible for all financial and accounting operations of the Company.

Mr. West joined Whitin in late 1960 as Assistant Treasurer and brings to his new position a broad background of financial and accounting experience.

Following service in the Army Financial Corps, Mr. West graduated from Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa. He served successively as Planning Accountant with the National Supply Company of Pittsburgh, Assistant to the Vice President—Finance of the White Sewing Machine Corporation, Cleveland, Assistant to the President of the W. F. Ryan Corporation, Cleveland, and most recently has been associated with the Management Consultant firm of Booz, Allen and Hamilton of New York.

Mr. West, his wife and their two children, are living in Medfield.

Bachmann Uxbridge Official Takes Position with Whitin

Robert Drainville of Uxbridge, Mass., formerly Assistant Treasurer of the Bachmann Uxbridge Worsted Corporation has joined the Whitin Machine Works as General Accountant in the Corporate Financial Department. In taking over the duties of this new position, Mr. Drainville will report directly to Mr. West.

Mr. Drainville has been associated with Bachmann Uxbridge for twenty-five years, most recently as Assistant Treasurer. He is widely known in Wool and Worsted Mill circles, and brings to Whitin a broad background of financial experience in the textile field.



Robert Drainville

Mr. Drainville is a native of Woonsocket, R. I., and a graduate of Woonsocket High School and Hill College. He joined the Bachmann organization upon graduation from Hill College. He also has taken accounting courses at Northeastern University and Boston University.

Mr. Drainville, with his wife and two children, makes his home at 195 North Main Street, Uxbridge.

New Assignments



Dr. Zoltan Szaloki, Assistant Director of Research and Development since 1954, has been promoted to Director of Research. He has been associated with Whitin since 1952



Harry Segal has been appointed Manager of Systems Planning in the Corporate Financial Department. He started his employment at Whitin on September 24, 1943



Edwin R. Davis, Assistant Plant Engineer, was appointed to the position of Plant Engineer January 3. He has been a Whitin employee since 1948

Warren P. Greene, Senior Analyst, was appointed Manager of Master List Preparation and Records on February 20. His continuous service date at Whitin is August 3, 1948



Leonard N. Brock, Maintenance Engineer, has been appointed Assistant Plant Engineer. He has 19 years' service at Whitin



Is your Home a DEATH TRAP ?

A MAN'S HOUSE may be his castle, but in too many instances it may also be the scene of accidental tragedy for his family and himself.

In 1959, 27,000 people were killed in home accidents and 4,000,000 men, women and children were injured at home.



Betty, daughter of Dick Sanderson of Department 422, shows why it is important to keep your hand on the railing and to watch your step when going down stairs. Always keep stairs cleared of toys and other articles. Thousands of home accidents are caused each year by falls down stairs

Carelessness is usually the reason why someone at home is injured every eight seconds and a death takes place every 19 minutes. If homeowners and their families would follow these few simple rules, the terrible toll of needless death, injury and property loss could be cut to a minimum.

1. *Don't overload electrical circuits. More than two cords plugged into one outlet constitute a fire threat. Cords should be in good condition, not kinked or frayed. And never yank plugs out of the wall by pulling on the cord—this may loosen the cord from the plug or damage the cord itself.*

2. *Stairs should be properly lighted and clear. Children's toys on stairways are a real menace to safety.*

3. *Basements should be cleaned and kept clear of papers, paints, kerosene or other inflammable materials. If your furnace is near a wall, insulate the wall with metal or asbestos lining.*

4. *Broken glass, razor blades, bottles, tin cans and other sharp waste should be discarded in closed containers.*

5. *Medicines, insecticides and poisons should be kept in a locked medicine chest—out of reach of small children. Also matches, kitchen knives and tools should be inaccessible to youngsters.*

6. *Keep a number of flashlights in good running order for emergencies.*

7. *In the kitchen, keep oven doors closed and pot handles turned in so that children will not be tempted to grasp them. Keep small children away from a stove at all times.*

8. *Smoking in bed causes a large number of home fires—if you feel sleepy and lie down, don't smoke.*

9. *Forbid children to enter storerooms or attics and never enter an unlighted storage area without a flashlight.*

10. *Never touch a radio or any other electrical outlet when in the bathtub or shower. It can mean instant electrocution. And always disconnect your electric iron when you have to answer the phone or doorbell.*

If you can observe these simple safety rules, you can cut down the chances of home accidents for yourself and your loved ones. To see how you rate right now, score yourself on this home safety test.



Children's toys strewn throughout the house are hazards that cause serious falls and tripping accidents. Rather than have children play with their toys anywhere in the house, it is better to confine the play areas to specific rooms. Richard and Nancy show us how dangerous it can be for their mother when they play close to where she is working



Although Dick Sanderson is pictured smoking in bed, it is a habit he doesn't want to acquire. Smoking in bed is an easy habit to form. Falling asleep with that last cigarette or forgetting to fully extinguish it is a potential source of fire. Even sparks from falling ashes may ignite the bedclothes. It is wiser to finish smoking before retiring

Changing fuses in the dark can cause serious accidents, so Richard Sanderson, Sr., shown here, is taking correct precautions. Flashlights should always be ready for emergency use

What's Your Home Safety Score?

(Check One)

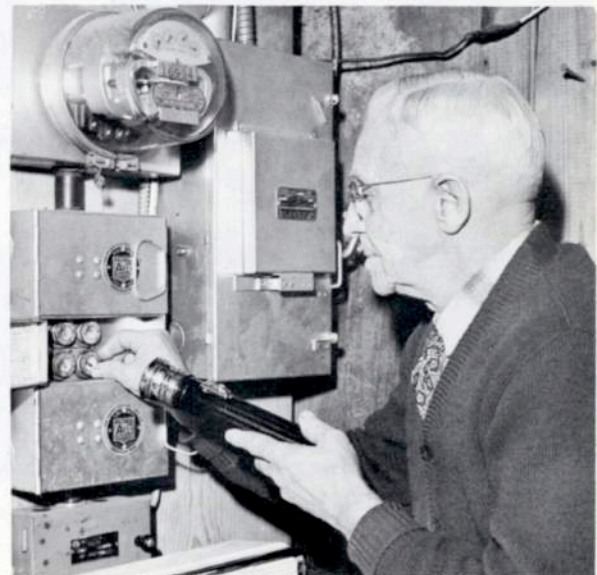
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| 1. Are any of your lamp or appliance cords frayed? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do your children ever leave toys on stairways? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Is your basement cleared of paper or old rags? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Do you ever discard broken glass or razor blades in open waste baskets? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Are medicines, poisons, matches, knives and tools out of reach of young children? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Does your wife always turn pot handles toward the stove when cooking? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Do you ever smoke in bed? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Do you have always dependable flashlights for nighttime emergencies? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Do your children ever play in your store-room or attic? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. Do you have a radio near your bathtub or shower? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

YOUR TOTAL SCORE

"NO" is the correct answer to all questions except Numbers 3, 5, 6, and 8.

GIVE YOURSELF 10 POINTS FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER.

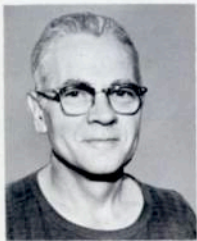
Your rating: 90-100—You and your family live in a safe home.
 60-80—Your home is fairly safe, but a little more attention to the wrong answers above will make it much safer. Below 60—You had better watch out for serious accidents in your home.





Honor Roll

January-February, 1961



Harry Colton
Machine Maintenance
30 years



Howard Dunford
Plant Layout
30 years



Robert English
Payroll Computation
30 years



Gerald Audette
Yard
25 years



Russell Bailey
Tool Job
25 years



Almanzor Boucher
Pattern Storage
25 years



Raymond Colby
Cost
25 years



Germain Desrosiers
Polishing
25 years



Albert Gagnon
Milling
25 years



Florence Gamelin
Top Rolls
25 years



James Gibbons
Steel Fabricating
25 years



Katherine Gilroy
Quality Control
25 years



Arthur Lapierre
Roving Erecting
25 years



Benjamin Mezynski
Spindles
25 years



Harry Mitchell
Production
25 years



Omer Parent
Core Room
25 years



Weyman Plante
Production
25 years



Joseph Roy
Cast Iron Room
25 years



Ovila Vallee
Garage
25 years



William Wilson
Spinning Erecting
25 years

25 Years

Eva O'Keefe, Main Office

20 Years

Arthur Alix, Spinning Erecting
Mary Almasian, Storesrooms
Leon Atteridge, Screw Machines
Emil Aussant, Cutting-Off Job
Warren Bailey, Electrical Dept.
Henry Barnatt, Spinning Erecting
Henry Beaudoin, Dup. and ATF Press
Leo Beauregard, Production
Arthur Berube, Lathe Dept.
Eugene Boisvert, Chuck Job
Stephen Bombara, Milling
John Breyaniak, Roving Small Parts
Alfred Briggs, Cutting-Off Job
James Creekmore, Erectors
Robert Croteau, Duplicator Assem.
Sidney DeJong, ATF Presses
Roland Dion, Gear Job
Leopold Dussault, Lathe Dept.
Henry Forget, Metal Patterns
Peter Forget, Spinning Small Pts.
Alfred Gardner, Spindles
Alphonse Gosselin, Research
Alfred Goulet, Half Laps
George Guertin, Gear Job
John Hapworth, Research
J. Francis Hogan, Storesrooms
Joseph Hoogendyk, Tool Job
Evald Johnson, Shipping Dept.
Walter Krupski, Chuck Job
Raymond Kucharski, Production
Roland Labelle, Foundry Maint.
Emile Laporte, Spinning Small Pts.
William Larochelle, Mach. Maint.

Alexis Lavallee, Card Small Pts.
Arthur Leclaire, Milling Job
Joseph Lucier, Core Room
Ralph Nolet, Box Job
Charles Nutting, Lathe Dept.
Benny Oles, Box Job
Francis Polucha, Purchasing Dept.
Edward Rabor, Chuck Job
Rudolph Rinne, Cabinet Making
James Spratt, Gear Job
Harold Thayer, Wage Standards
Dominic Vasile, Serviceman
Ralph Walsh, Milling Job

15 Years

John Cheras, Sheet Metal
John Stanick, Shipping Dept.

10 Years

Michele Baiano, Lathe Dept.
Chester Bekier, Power House
Alphonse Belanger, Milling
Ludger Berube, Gear Job
Roland Blondin, ATF Presses
George Bockstael, Punch Presses
David Burgess, Quality Control
Hector Chevrette, Material Trans.
Francis Cody, Tool Job
John Coleman, Finished Woodwork
Donald Corbeille, General Machining
Robert Cotnoir, Erectors
Roland Farrar, Cost
William Fitzpatrick, Milling
Waldo Forsythe, Spinning Small Pts.
Edward Frappier, Roving Small Parts
Stanley Frodyma, Storesrooms
Kirby Hall, General Machining

Melvin Henry, Large Planers
Edward Kozlowski, Screw Machines
Leo Krikorian, Chuck Job
Gustave Lambol, Painting Dept.
Edward Laquerre, Quality Control
Wallace Lee, Electrical Maint.
Edward L'Heureux, General Machining
Marvin McCrickard, Erectors
John Martel, Painting Dept.
Francis Marting, Methods
Roy Swanson, Cutting-Off Job
Joseph Tero, Production
George Vacher, Steel Fabricating
Alice Warren, Production
William Werth, Research

5 Years

Joseph Baril, General Machining
Edward Barnes, Serviceman
Walter Bloniasz, Traffic Dept.
Joseph Bouthillette, Spinning Small Pts.
Clifford Boutiette, Production
Eugene Comtois, Shipping Dept.
Hugh Currie, Research
Richard Duquette, Electrical Maint.
Annie Garabedian, Library
Alfred Gould, Power House
Roger Goulet, Industrial Relations
Nancy MacIntyre, Purchasing
Patricia McLaughlin, Cost
Helen Magowan, Repair Sales
Normand Masse, Gear Job
Charles Mikulis, Sr., Chuck Job
Theodore Morel, Jr., Screw Machines
Roger Payette, Lathe Dept.
Gerald Peloquin, Large Planers
Harold Porter, ATF Presses
Glennon Walker, Spindles
Stephen Waterman, Tool Job

Whitin personnel completing forty or fifty years of continuous employment in 1961 will receive appropriate recognition at the senior employee banquet in the fall.

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ATF EXHIBITS

NEW HIGH-SPEED WEB PRESS

THE WEB OFFSET PRESS DIVISION, American Type Founders, Elizabeth, New Jersey, held an open house recently at the Van Vlaanderen Machine Company, Paterson, New Jersey.

Representatives of many of the nation's leading commercial printing plants had an opportunity to examine and witness demonstrations of new A.T.F. High-Speed Web Offset Perfecting Publication Presses. Of special interest was American Type Founders' new High-Speed (1200 feet per minute), Five-Unit, Ten-Color Web Offset Press. Designed and built for the Standard Publishing Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, the press has a cylinder circumference of 35" and a maximum web width of 50". Besides its guaranteed speed of 1200 feet per minute (for both printing and folding), the press has a new Collect and Non-Collect Type Folder arranged to permit almost infinite variations of black-and-white and color-page combinations.

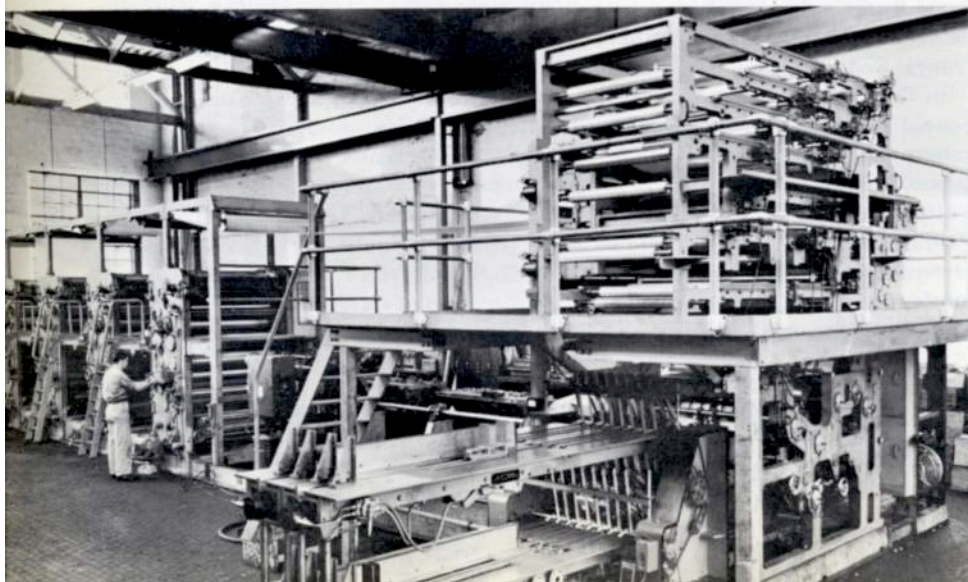
The unique design of its special ribbon folder will permit several jobs to be printed, folded and delivered at the same time. The folder is particularly adaptable for running with heavier weight paper and difficult stock, while, at the same time, providing versatility in color-page interleaving.

In addition to the main press folder, an A.T.F. designed-and-manufactured special Former Folder Section is also being furnished. This unit will deliver either fixed-size tabloid or double-digest type sheets.

Visitors noted with keen interest a plate cylinder "Cocking Device" on each of the press's ten printing

sections. Due to the fact that this device allows re-alignment of a plate cylinder while the press is running, the operator can bring any given color or plate into proper register without incurring down-time and the added cost of considerable paper waste and spoilage. Another feature of the press is a special "Formsprag" clutch on the ink fountain roller. This unit provides infinite ink feed control in place of the old ratchet and pawl devices.

A.T.F.'s research and engineering programs have resulted in hundreds of web offset improvements since the original Webendorfer designs were acquired by American Type Founders in 1938. A.T.F. Publication Presses employ the perfecting, or blanket-to-blanket, printing principle. A printing unit includes two plate cylinders, two blanket cylinders, and two sets of inking and dampening rollers. As the web passes between the two blanket cylinders, each acts as the impression cylinder for the other. The presses are also built on the "unit construction" principle which allows the printer to initially employ only a single printing unit, a roll stand, and a folder. As the printer's business increases, he can add one, two, three or more printing units—plus additional roll stands, folders, sheeters, etc. A.T.F. Web Presses also provide an exclusive, patented cylinder arrangement which controls web tension between printing units to insure color register. In addition, cylinder-size web lead rollers virtually eliminate the problem of ink deposits on clear areas of the paper.



This new A.T.F. High-Speed, Web Offset Perfecting Publications Press will print rolls of paper up to 50" wide in five colors on each side of the sheet. It will produce, for example, a printed sheet which can be folded into a 32-page unit, 8¾" x 12½" at the rate of 400 per minute. The press is approximately 86 feet in length and its weight when completely assembled in the printer's plant with all auxiliary equipment will be approximately 130 tons. It is shown on the floor of the Van Vlaanderen Machine Tool Company, Paterson, N. J., who build web presses for Whitin's subsidiary American Type Founders, Elizabeth, N. J.

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News Roundup

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by R. C. Conlee

Spring is almost here and our sportsmen are glad to see the good old earth again. There seems to be lot of baseball and golfing talk now. The lone exception is Rene Fortier, 418 Inspection. He is quite a skier so he hates to see the snow go. Rene's brother and sister-in-law are both professional skiers, so Rene should be getting good instruction when he and his girl friend accompany them to Mt. Sunapee. . . . Gerry Peloquin and Charley Malkasian enjoyed a week end of golf at the Cape recently. . . . We welcome Grant Fournier back to the job. He has been working with the erectors. . . . George Hoekstra is sporting around in a new Falcon station wagon. . . . Cookie Barnes, 417 and 418 foreman, has started a new hobby of collecting records. He bought a stereo. I know he will enjoy his new hobby.

Birthday greetings to: Wallace Boucher, Charles Gianco, and Andy Vierstra.

This news item taken from a newspaper dated March 1, 1923 might interest some of our senior employees: Whitinsville, March 1, 1923—Harry E. Wallace, whose ability in checkers has often been demonstrated, played 22 men simultaneously in the Blue Eagle Inn tonight, the most expert players in Whitinsville. He won 12 games, lost three and drew seven. The men who defeated him were Leslie Rogers, Robert Hussey and Archie Vierstra. Those he defeated were: Fred Krull, Robert Henson, Edward McNally, John Barrows, John Larmond, William Fullerton, M. E. Salmon, Charles Russell, Thomas G. Hamilton, Adelbert Godbout, Archie Fournier and William Murphy. The players with whom he drew were Francis Carney, Thomas O'Connell, Austin Melia, Ralph E. Lincoln, George B. Hamblin, Robert Wilson and John Minchell.

PLANER JOB

by Fred Chaffee, Jr. and Ray Woodcome

Sorry we missed the last issue, fellows; too much holiday activity. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ricard on the birth of a son. Also, to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Robideaux on the

birth of a daughter. . . . Bill Such served on the jury during the month of December. . . . Better late than never—Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Solina on their 15th wedding anniversary. . . . Birthday wishes to Henry Lavallee and Archie Jacobson. Archie says everyone ate his candy, but nobody bought him coffee as a present. . . . We welcome Ernest Littizzio to Department 414. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Merrill True on the birth of a daughter. . . . During the holiday party, of all the sandwiches that were on the table, Harold Cornell picked the only one with no filling.

The winter season was rather rough on the personnel of Department 414. Hospitalized were Sudy Asadoorian, Remi Menard, Maurice Patterson, and Harold Cornell. Also out sick were Maurice Rainville, Louis Buxton, Ralph Bergstrom and Lawrence Perkins. All are now fully recovered and back in full swing. . . . Lew Lyman has a new hobby—raising rabbits. The hunting should be good this fall on East Street Extension. . . . Walter Solina is quite a fisherman. He sets up the tilts and if it rains he sits in his car while his son checks the flags as they go up.

The men of Department 414 wish to express their sympathy to Mr. Fred Fournier upon the recent death of his wife. Also, to Earl White and Maurice Patterson upon the deaths of their sisters.

METAL PATTERNS

by Al Cencak

Our personality of the month is Ernest A. Brissette. Ernie was born in North Smithfield, R. I., and was educated at Mt. St. Charles School in Woonsocket. He first came to work here in 1947 as a clerk in Crib 16. Along came the Korean conflict and Ernie went into the Army. In 1941 he came back to work on the Bolster Job. He was laid off in 1952 so he went to Miami, Florida, to work and live. In 1956 he came back to the shop to take the machinist course under the apprentice program. Ernie is married to the former Florence Hogue of Woonsocket, R. I., and they reside at 126 Joffre Avenue in Woonsocket. Ernest and Florence have three children, Suzanne 10, Michael 8, and Diana 6. Even though Ernie is a first sergeant in the 118th



N. F. GARRETT ELECTED TO WHITIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Norman F. Garrett, Executive Vice President of the Whitin Machine Works, was elected to the Company's Board of Directors at a meeting of the Board on January 19.

Mr. Garrett joined the Whitin organization in September 1959 as General Manager of the Whitinsville Division. He was later made a Vice President and in September 1960 was named Executive Vice President of the Whitin Machine Works.

Engineer National Guard of Rhode Island, he finds time for his accordion playing, bowling, T.V. repair, salt water fishing and teaching cribbage.

Not seeing much of each other because of slack time, we won't have much of an article this month, but it will improve when we return to full employment. . . . George Barsamian tells me his son Robert was the Science Count-Down 1961 winner in Northbridge Junior High School. His science teacher Mr. Leon Moczynski sent his project in to the Lowell Technological Institute for possibly more honors. . . . Bart Shugrue built a dog house in his cellar and couldn't get it out, so I guess he will be sleeping in it. . . . The fellows in the Irish corner held their first anniversary of the raising of their green flag. They did it proudly with their Irish War Club held high. . . . Florence

Adams and Bunky Kiernan celebrated birthdays on February 8. They were 29 plus. . . . It is a secret where Bob Dion takes Bart Shugrue to get cut-rate hair cuts. . . . Henry Forget takes advantage of the ice fishermen at the Whitin reservoir. Henry watches where they dig their holes, then he gets up early the next day and sets his tilts in them. He didn't even thank me for them. . . . Spring is here, some fellows are practicing golf swings, the fishermen are buzzing and the gardeners are talking spring planting. . . . Things will not be the same around here for some time. We lost three good men because of shortage of work. The best of luck to Paul Mintoft, Ed Gonzales and Tom Jedrzynski. We hope to see them again soon. . . . Our two bachelors are still holding out. They say that the chief effect of love is to drive a man half crazy and the chief effect of marriage is to finish the job.

SPINNING, AND TWISTER ERECTING, CARDS, POLISHING

by Emily Quigley

At this writing George Henry and A. Montville are on sick leave. Hope they will be back soon. . . . Walter Pouliot, a painter on Department 448 is in the hospital. Hurry back Walter, your co-workers miss you. . . . Several have been transferred or laid off since the first of the year. N. Comtois and A. Dupre were 433 transfers. Laid off were M. Gala, P. Laprise, X. Lachance, A. Marshall, C. Goulet. Department 448 transfers included R. Eames, R. Campo, W. Boisvert, A. Lange. Laid off were J. Dean, S. Cates, R. Landry, F. Yacino, W. Brotherhood, R. Bibeault, E. Cote, R. Plitouke, G. Anderson, H. Longeway. From De-



John H. Bolton, Jr., Vice President—Marketing, was elected president of the American Textile Machinery Association which held its 28th annual meeting in Boston, February 15. For the past two years he has served as Vice President of ATMA and last year was exhibition chairman of the textile show in Atlantic City

partment 444 L. Dufresne and A. Richer were laid off and P. Young, J. Hesketh, P. Frieswyk and A. Lapierre were transferred. . . . We welcomed A. Lortie. W. Bernard was transferred from 448 to 433.

Birthdays for January and February—H. Barnatt, B. Namaka, A. Johnson, W. Mills, C. Landry, L. Mercier, J. Scott, L. Demers. . . . Wedding anniversaries—D. Cournoyer, A. Johnson, W. Leclaire, W. Hall, L. Carter. . . . Come on fel-

lows, get the news to me. I'm new at this work but will do my best to report the items you give me. Let's make our column an interesting one.

A. T. F. ERECTION

by Ed Haczynski

Personality of the month: Paul Poulin has worked in Whitins for 10 years and has been in ATF erection since the department was first organized. Paul graduated from Uxbridge High in 1949, earned four letters in baseball, three in football and three in basketball. After completing his schooling he joined the Marine Corps and spent two years at Camp LeJeune, N. C., Puerto Rico and Japan. He is married to the former Louise McDonald of Newton, Massachusetts and they have two sons. Paul has been an active member of the benefit club and Christmas party organization committee. His chief interest is following sports at Holy Cross College.

The department welcomes Peter Kuipers, Tony Lachance, Robert Eames and Hubie Brown. . . . Ed Haczynski wants to thank Francis Lockwood, Russell Mowry, William Griffiths, Alfred Guilbeault and Normand Gagnon for their help in moving him to his new home. . . . Ray Hartshorn is the newly appointed steward of this department. . . .

Birthdays in March and April to Peter Kuipers, Al Castonguay, Gordon Baker, Henry Martin, Ed Jones and Ed Haczynski. . . . Anniversary congratulations to Francis Lockwood, Ed Haczynski, Al Des Rochers, William Blanchette, William Griffiths and Leo Menard. . . . Correction on item in February SPINDLE—Ray Sewell is a New York Giant Football Fan and not a San Francisco Giant Fan. His son was angry to read his dad was a silent rooter.



On the 100th Anniversary of the Village Congregational Church, Whitinsville, in 1934, a pageant depicting a church meeting around the middle of the 1800's was staged by a group of members of the church. Front row, from the left: Mildred Brown, Grace Long, Marion Clark, Marilyn Flagg, W. Webster, Dr. Roberts, Grace Feener, Albin Nelson, J. Hoffman Metcalf, George Kellstrand, J. Harry Phipps, Raymon Meader, and Payson Reed. Second row, from the left: Virgilyn Noyes Beitel, Mildred Pierce, Leon Houghton, Ted Flagg, Fred Hathaway, William Norton, George Fullerton, Artie Meader, Herbert Park, Earl Liberty, J. C. Brown, Herbert Parkis, Keith Brown

CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Claire Legassey and Irene Mombourquette

We wish to correct an error made in the last issue. It should have read—Receiving congratulations are Mr. and Mrs. Francis Small on the birth of their third son, John William and Mr. and Mrs. William LaFleur on their third daughter, Debra. Mrs. Small is the daughter of Irene and Charles Mombourquette and Mrs. LaFleur is the daughter of Simon and Jenny Bosma. . . . Receiving congratulations are Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Boulanger, who are celebrating their first wedding anniversary and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lemire, celebrating their 26th. . . . Birthday wishes were extended to Ernest Lemire in February. . . . Department 410 extends sympathy to Marc Patterson and his family on the death of his sister Miss Germaine Patterson, in February.

MILLING JOB

by Robert L. Vachon and Peter Nash

Cornelius VanBrug retired January 27 after 38 years of continuous service. He was born in Holland on January 21, 1896. He started working on the Spindle Job in 1923 and remained there for 37 years. In 1960 he transferred to the Milling Department. While in Smeek, Holland in 1921 he met and married the former Sadie Westerdyk. They have a son and three daughters. Harry, their son, works on the Automatic Chuck Job and lives in Whitinsville. Two of their daughters also live in Whitinsville, the other lives in Detroit, Michigan. They have 16 grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. VanBrug live on Main Street, Whitinsville. Cornelius is quite a sport enthusiast. His favorite sports are baseball, basketball, and football. Cornelius will be missed by his fellow workers, who presented him a check when he retired.

Sick leave: Thomas Jackman was recently operated on at the Woonsocket Hospital. . . . Thomas Roche recently had a virus infection. . . . Charles VandenAkker was operated on for an eye infection. . . . Aime Aussant underwent surgery at St. Vincent Hospital. . . . Alphonse Belanger is back to work after being out with a hand injury. . . . A. J. Topjian injured his back. . . . Aime Rainville is taking out his dogs for field tryouts this spring. . . . Armand Methot traded his car for a 1955 Chevy. . . . Those who celebrated recent wedding anniversaries were: Ralph Peckham, Elwin Salley, and Maurice Thienpont. . . . Those who added another birthday were: Francis Olson, Maurice Thienpont, Robert Vachon, Leo Cardin, Francis La-Flamme, George Moreau, and Lloyd Darling.



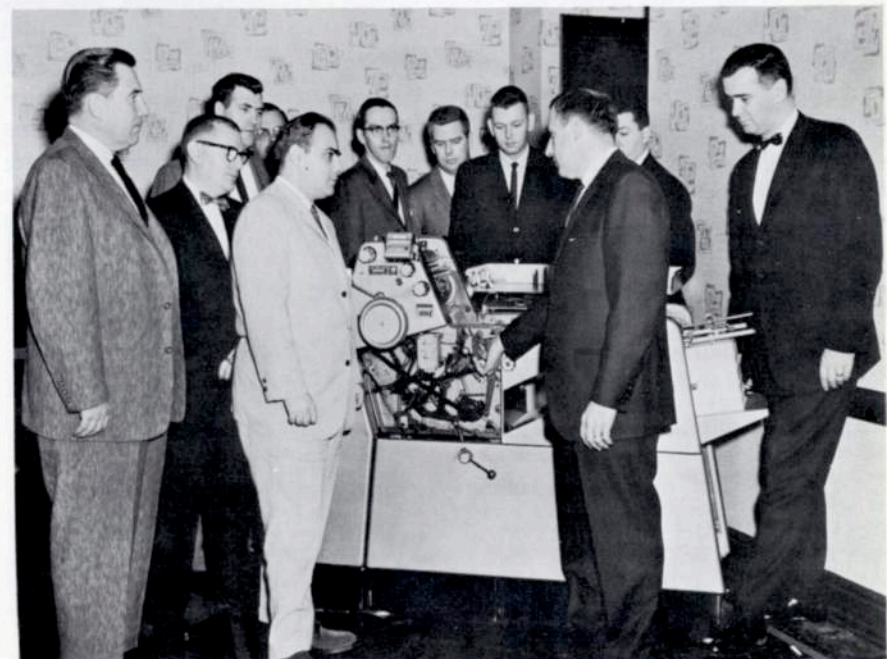
The Whitin Cafeteria, which has catered to employees since it was erected in 1943, ceased operations on March 17. The Cafeteria, which has operated at a financial loss since the beginning, continued its service to workers even though the labor force decreased substantially since the war years. With only five per cent of employees utilizing the facilities, it was decided to use this space to better advantage. Plans are being made for its future use

STEEL FABRICATION

by Alfred H. Nichols

We welcome Edgar C. Lambert, formerly of Department 420, as assistant in Parts in Process. . . . On sick call at this writing are Ray Phaneuf, John Bartlenski, Ray Malley, Earl B. Smith and George LeFrancois. . . . Adding one year to their birthdays are Hap Woeller, Gerry Dagesse, George T. Blondin, Gus Vanhouwe, Mike Yozura, George Vacher and Clarence Scanlon.

Names here and there—Richard Auger driving a new pink, or is it a red and white Cadillac convertible? . . . Marc Bolduc's promotion to Methods was no surprise. He's a smart cookie! . . . 432's new tool crib attendant is Claude Bolduc and a fine job he's doing. While passing through let's say here that blueprint attendant George Blondin is always busy as a bee. . . . Assistant Foreman Eddie Horan was out on sick leave and returned to us suntanned and rested. . . . We're proud to have with us as a co-worker, "Hiz Honor" Paul Rutana!



Ed Krost (foreground, 2nd from right), General Sales Supervisor of ATF's Business Equipment Division, explains some of the features of the ATF Chief 15 offset duplicator to a group of sales representatives who recently were attending a two-week seminar at Elizabeth, N. J. The sessions included intensive product instruction, competitive comparisons, selling techniques, and an analysis of product applications to the needs of in-plant printing and reproduction departments



PHILIP B. WALKER GUEST OF HONOR AT TESTIMONIAL

A testimonial dinner honoring Philip B. Walker, who recently retired as chief of the Whitinsville and Northbridge Fire Departments, was held at the Whitinsville Golf Club, February 2.

Present were active and retired firemen from both departments and the Board of Engineers. In a speaking program which followed the dinner, tribute was paid, and appreciation expressed, to Mr. Walker for his 33 years of faithful and conscientious service. Always ready and willing to put forth his best efforts in the interest of the fire companies and the town, Mr. Walker was lauded for his high ideals to public service. Under his leadership the department has been expanded to where it is considered one of the most modern and efficient volunteer fire departments in the state.

Arthur Broadhurst, Toastmaster, presented to Mr. Walker an 8 mm. Zoom Kodak movie camera, a gift from the men of the fire companies.

... Friends and relatives of former W.M.W. employee Bernard Kane, attended Mr. and Mrs. Kane's 50th Wedding Anniversary at Vermette's in Woonsocket. . . . John Dunphe, his guitar, and members of the North Uxbridge Baptist Church are spreading good cheer every Saturday afternoon by entertaining the folks at the Grafton Rest Home with Bible readings and singing of hymns. A good deed is being done here! . . . Don't forget to attend the annual musical show sponsored by the Mumford K. of C. Council No. 365 at Whitinsville Town Hall on April 11 and 12 starting at 8:00 p.m.

sharp! . . . Paul J. Madigar is now seated on our famous spotlight personality stool and here is his story. Paul was born on September 7, 1921 in Dudley and now lives at Caswell Court, East Douglas with his parents, Paul, Sr., and his mother, the former Sophie Stefaniak. Paul has a married sister, Anna, now Mrs. Charles Resan of East Douglas. He is a graduate of Douglas Memorial High, Class of '39. Paul's hobby is photography and he is a die-hard fan of the Boston Celtics. A '60 Ford is his means of transportation. He served 3½ years in the U. S. Air Force as Cor-

poral. Paul started at W.M.W. as an ironworker in Department 466, September 1946. Here on 432, he is a first class sheetmetal worker. The big question is when is Paul going to get married?

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Charles Creighton

We are glad to hear that Jimmy Rice's wife is coming along fine after her recent operation. . . Mrs. John McQuade was a patient recently at Memorial Hospital in Worcester. . . . Why was Harold Libby struggling with the Thermofax Machine? Was it because he caught his tie in the rollers??? . . . Bob Fougere is rushing the season a little bit by wearing *knee-sox* to work in February. . . . J. J. Wasiuk was out of work recently nursing a sprained ankle. . . . Congratulations to Bill VanNess upon being re-elected Chairman of the Welfare Board in Douglas. . . . There was a fire recently in the home of M. Thayer's daughter, Nancy Laffon. Fortunately no one was hurt and the fire was extinguished quickly. . . . Sympathy is extended to Bob Fougere upon the death of his grandfather. . . . Alton White is in sick bay this month.

Happy birthdays to: Lorraine Dufault, Carolyn Ebbeling and Marcel Turgeon. . . . Happy anniversaries to: Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Turgeon, Mr. and Mrs. W. Departie, Mr. and Mrs. Malo, Mr. and Mrs. E. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. R. Thayer and Mr. and Mrs. C. Farrar.

RING JOB

by Bill Malley

Congratulations to the following on their birthday anniversaries: Fred Brown, William Fogarty, William Malley, Arthur Lawrence, James Gusney, Albert Bouchard, Roland Morel, Ernest Tremblay. . . . The following have left us recently for work in other departments: Cecile Berry, Stanley Serylak, Clifford R. Barber, Jr., John Angell and Joseph Baril. . . . Harry Bailey retired in January after working here for 47 years. . . . At the present time Carl Johnson and Joseph Witek are on sick leave and we hope to see them back shortly.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Welcome back from your winter vacation Lawrence Gilmore and Ralph Houghton. No doubt you enjoyed the unseasonable weather down in Florida much



Donald F. Blette, Grinder Hand in Department 426, is the new Golden Gloves flyweight champion of New England. He won a split decision over his opponent at Lowell Auditorium on February 22. Don has been boxing for only seven months and is the 19-year-old son of former amateur boxer, Francis Blette of the Milling Job

more than our "super" seasonable weather here. Ralph, by the way, has a new white 1961 Dodge Dart in which he, Lawrence and Mrs. Gilmore motored to Florida. . . . Also owners of a new car are the Leon Brunos. They have a gray and maroon., 1959, Morris Minor convertible sedan. . . . Birthday greetings to: David Richardson, Raymond Fullerton, Raymond Stanovich, Alfred Sutcliffe, Albert John and Vera Taylor. Anniversary greetings to: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fenner, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Masson, Mr. and Mrs. David Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor. . . . We recently have been observed by David Daubney in connection with his Advanced Apprentice Course. He has now moved on to greener fields—Department 402. At the same time we have lost several of our co-workers who have been laid off due to lack of work, i.e., Albert John, Arthur Stohlbom, David Richardson, and Joseph Fenner. Good luck, boys. . . . Ralph Houghton spent a few days in Memorial Hospital for surgery but should be back with us by the time this comes off the press. We hope he had a successful sojourn with a minimum of discomfort.

Happy Easter, everyone.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ERECTING

by William Markarian

Richard Bibault proudly passed out cigars to his friends when a son was born

to Mrs. Bibault in Woonsocket Hospital, January 31. Richard, Jr., and mother are both well. . . . Our sincere condolences to Roger Brissette whose father passed away recently. . . . Our best wishes to Clarence Prouty who retired on February 24. Clarence was a 25-year employee. . . . We are happy to see Al Hoekstra back to work at his paint bench. He recently underwent surgery.

We learn that Roger Brissette has a very interesting hobby. He has been skin-diving in his spare time for the past nine years. He modestly admitted having formed the second oldest Scuba Club in Rhode Island, the Pascoag Spearfishing-Diving Club. He served four years as its president and is presently the secretary-treasurer. His underwater activities have been numerous. From waters in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut, he has recovered bodies of three people, outboard motors, guns, fishing poles and even dentures. Roger cautions would-be skin divers. Before anyone attempts diving, he should get proper instructions from an experienced diver or better still join a Scuba Club.

WAGE STANDARDS

by Irene Barnett

Personality of the month: Gordon Rat-tray was born in Pawtucket, R. I., June 29, 1920. He graduated from East Senior High in 1938. He is a member of 243rd Coast Artillery, R. I.; served with the National Guards from 1939 to 1940 and was with the U. S. Army for five years. He spent two years in Europe with Gen-



Robert "Scotty" Robertson, a well-known singer who works in Department 432, is shown at the microphone in the Avalon Club, Saundersville



We salute these colleagues and associates who recently retired. Their long and valuable services have helped make Whitin a world leader. To them, our best wishes for many happy leisure years.

- Andon Asadoorian, 52 years
- Harry E. Bailey, 47 years
- Hugh Mateer, 39 years
- Cornelius VanBrug, 37 years
- Charles Bedrosian, 36 years
- John Baker, 36 years
- Ernest Burroughs, 33 years
- Paul Boghosian, 26 years
- Joseph Malo, 26 years
- Clarence Prouty, 24 years
- Anthony Kloczkowski, 18 years
- Toros Touloumjian, 15 years
- Harold F. Longeway, 15 years

eral Patton's 3rd Army and took part in the Normandy invasion. Gordon graduated from Chemical Warfare School at Loyola University, New Orleans, La., in 1943. He is a graduate also of the Allen School of Aeronautics, State Airport, Hills Grove, R. I., and attended Mid-western Airlines Administration School, Kansas City, Mo., in 1947. Before starting at Whitin in 1951, he was employed at H & B American Machine Co. as Time Study Engineer. He is married and has two children: son Dana age 13 attends Northbridge Junior High and daughter Linda age 11 is in the 6th grade at grammar school. Gordon's hobbies are baseball, football and bowling. He is captain of "Timers" Bowling Team in the Shop Bowling League and manager of the White Sox in the Northbridge Little League Baseball. He played softball for Department 416 in the W.M.W. Softball League and with Trinity in the Whitinsville Church League.

Birthday wishes to Elsie Koliss, Donald Amiro, Earl Briggs, John Romasco, Howard Sears, Richard Wassenaar. . . . Am glad to report that Russell Lupien and Emmett Martin are out of the hospital, and hope they will be back with us soon. . . . The Routing Section received a large heart-shaped box of chocolates for Valentine's Day.

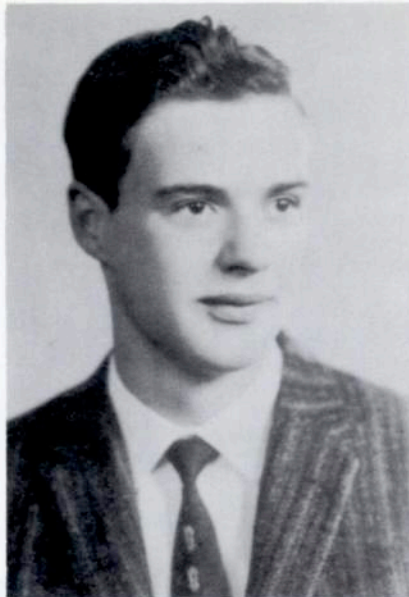
BOWLING TEAM RESULTS

- Jan. 4—Timers 4, Non Texters 0
Don Frieswyk, high 311
- Jan. 11—Timers 3, Printers 1
Len Skerry, high 362
- Jan. 18—Timers 3, Rovers 1
Henry D'Alfonso, high 330
- Jan. 25—Timers 3, Office 1
Henry D'Alfonso, high 308
- Feb. 1—Timers 2, Cutters 2
Bob Tancrell, high 312
- Feb. 8—Timers 3, Listers 1
Bob Tancrell, high 356
- Feb. 15—Timers 1, Repair 3
Gordon Rattray, high 335
- Feb. 22—Timers 3, Arcades 1
Henry D'Alfonso, high 363

TOOL DESIGN AND TOOL CONTROL

by *H. L. Balcome*

Golfers "Si" Leiber and Jim Malcus are looking and wishing for green grass. . . . Charles Peckham is about to move into a newly purchased home on Hill Street. . . . Belated happy birthday wishes to Rene Morel, Abram Leiber, and Everett Swenson. . . . We welcome "Bernie" Wiersma back to this department.



Edward A. Paille, 17, son of Louis Paille of the Foundry, has enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps for a period of four years. He is taking his basic training at Parris Island, S. C.

ACCOUNTING

by *Gloria Novack and Jean Legere*

A group of 24 girls from Accounting went to dinner at the Admiral Inn in

Cumberland, R. I., on February 9. The service and food were wonderful. Millie Amiro and Mary Wawrzkievicz even enjoyed second servings.

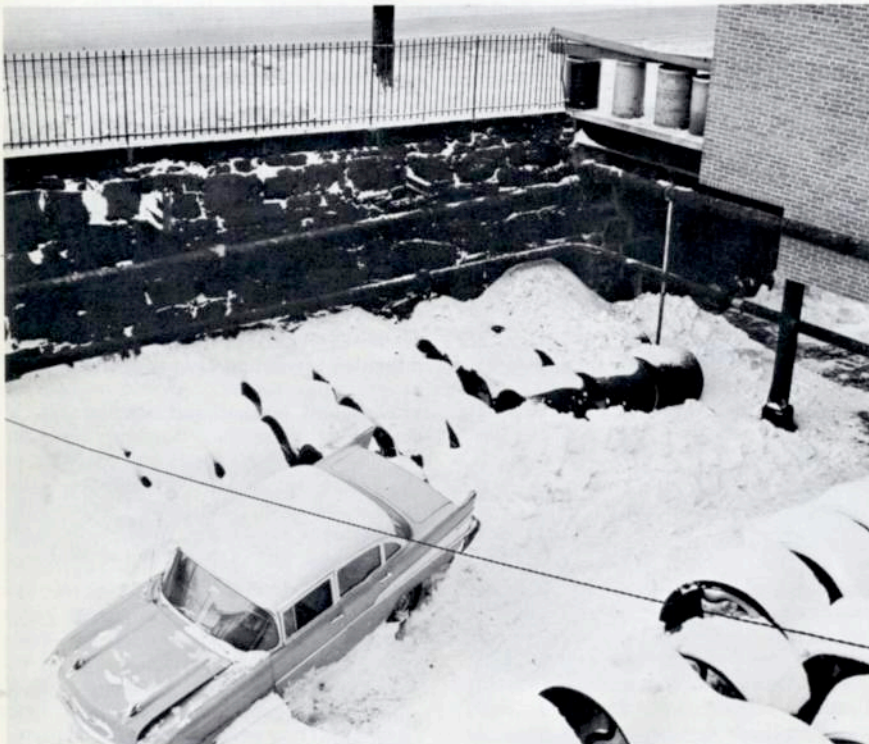
All of Accounting attended a dinner at the Blue Jay on March 2 for Carl Dupree who has been promoted to the Systems Planning Division. Congratulations to Cleve Reynolds on his promotion as Supervisor of Cost Accounting and to Gordon Curtis on his promotion as Chief Cost Estimator; also to Laurance Fuller, who has been promoted to Division General Accountant.

Tom Altoonian, Joe Platukis and Charles Garabedian have transferred to Department 487, Methods and Wage Standards. Joanne Brown has left us to take up domestic duties. . . . Barbara Dodge was a very lucky girl one morning coming to work. Even though her car skidded and nearly went into Lucky Dam, she didn't get hurt. . . . On the night of February 7, Fred Garcelon and Ed Fox, who were working at the time, were the first to reach the two women whose car went through the railing and down into the cylinder yard right below their window. . . . Out of a group that went down to Providence to give blood to Roland Farrar's son, all the men were able to donate. Mona Paine, from the Cost Section as well as Henrietta Hoogendyk and Gretta Styles, from Tabulating, also were accepted. . . . Robert Smalarz has joined the "home owners club" by buying a home on Blackstone Street in Uxbridge. . . . Tom Altoonian, Carl Dupree, Cal Hubbard and Phil Johnson attended work seminars conducted by Worcester Chapter National Association of Accountants at Becker Junior College. . . . Harriet and Sidney Lafleur traveled by jet to Miami, Florida, in February. They spent 10 days visiting Harriet's brother.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by *Pat Mendillo, Dorsey Devlin and Tad Wallace*

Spring is in the air, the teams are picked for the coming golfing season. President Fred Marshall states that everything is ready to go—he hopes the golfers are ready too. . . . Lil Conley came back from Florida with a beautiful tan. Lil certainly picked the right time to bask in the Florida sunshine, it was the very "coldest" period of our prolonged cold snap. . . . Ernie Donais, Duplicator Expediter and an accomplished guitarist, belongs to a small "combo" that plays at the Fox Lounge in Westboro. The unique part of this is the fact that this same group has been in this same location for over five years, maybe they are trying to equal the record of Vincent Lopez who held forth at the Hotel Taft Grille Room



This shows where and how the Walker car landed after going through the fence at the Belfry Tower entrance



F. M. JOHNSON RETURNS TO WHITIN

Ferdinand M. Johnson of Greensboro, N. C., rejoined the Whitin organization as Product Manager for Woolen and Worsted Machinery on January 5. He will fill the vacancy in the Company's Marketing Department due to the recent resignation of Mr. Fred Tattersall.

Mr. Johnson first became associated with the Whitin organization in 1935 as a research technician. He left in 1941 to serve in the U. S. Army, where for a period of five years he saw extensive service in the Pacific Theater. As a Captain in the Field Artillery, he was discharged in 1946 and returned to Whitin. He became actively engaged in laying groundwork for the development of the Whitin American System for processing worsted yarn.

In 1948 he left Whitin to become associated with the Pacific Mills organization. He worked with them in a supervisory capacity in Rhodhiss, N. C., and at Lyman, S. C. For the last two and one-half years he has been associated with Cone Mills Corporation, Research and Development Division, Greensboro, N. C.

in New York for so many years. . . . Recent reports say that Walter Gilchrist is making rapid strides toward recovery from his recent prolonged illness. Maybe Walt will be back in our midst by the time you read this issue of the SPINDLE.

Sports Quickies: Tad Wallace, one of our co-reporters, was recently elected to the Douglas Recreation Commission. This, incidentally, was Tad's first fling in politics. . . . Tom Cawley coached the St. Patrick's basketball team to the Valley C.Y.C. Championship, and into the quarter finals in the area tournament. . . . Dorsey Devlin, another co-reporter, brought the St. Denis Five home in a tie for second place, the highest position they have finished since the C.Y.C. league was organized. . . . Frank Hogan has the distinction of having two sons playing on top basketball teams; Dick, with the crack Northbridge High Five, and Billy, with the Champion C.Y.C. team. . . . Ray Young did a top-notch job refereeing C.Y.C. and high school games in this area this past season. . . . Andy Meszaro's daughter Susan was a member of the St. Denis C.Y.C. Cheerleaders' team that took home a trophy for an eight-place finish in the Worcester County C.Y.C. tournament. . . . Lucien "Champ" Champagne already getting enthused about the fast approaching deep-sea fishing season.

The SPINDLE has been advised by the Office of Information, 8301st Air Force Recovery Group, Worcester Municipal Airport, that Thomas "Tad" Wallace, of the Production Department has completed his training in the test period of the new recovery program which was introduced with the reorganization of the Air Reserve Forces last October.

Meeting at the Worcester Municipal Airport one week end a month, the Reservists have been laying out, practicing and perfecting a plan for meeting all the situations that could arise out of an enemy attack, with special emphasis on the recovery of returning Air Force aircraft whose home bases have been severely damaged or destroyed.

Tech. Sgt. Thomas Wallace is a personnel technician with the 8301st Air Force Reserve Recovery Group and serves on the Group Staff.

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

The Engineering Benefit Society held its annual meeting on February 20 and elected the following officers: Ben Musket, Jr., President; John Matuszek, Vice President; and Mary Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer. . . . Harley and Mrs. Buma must be very proud of their son James, who is attending Assumption College, Worcester. A sophomore, he received



After a snowstorm in early March, Paul Grant thought a bear had settled on his lawn. A closer examination revealed it was one of his blue spruce covered with snow

second highest honors on the Dean's list. . . . When Joe Bouley's wife was in the hospital recently, Joe took the family laundry to the Launderette on Church Street for cleaning. The machine in which Joe had placed the clothes stopped in five minutes. He thought this is really a great age we are living in until he discovered his clothes were in a dryer. . . . Birthday greetings to Jean Lindem, Albert Charbonneau, Walter Frieswick, James McQuigan, Alfred Capone, Paul Wheeler and son, and Rene Thibault. . . . Wedding anniversaries are being celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. Kurken Garabedian. . . . We welcome John Duff to our department.

QUALITY CONTROL DEPARTMENT

by Robert E. Balcome and Louise Krawczyk

The prime purpose of Quality Control and inspection is to see that all parts are made to specifications and drawings issued by the Engineering Department. Our people work in every department in the shop. Therefore, reporting for this large area is slightly different than reporting for one department. So please bear with us until we get acclimated.

Celebrating anniversaries recently were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Poe, their seventh, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Walenty, their sixth. Leonard recently bought a house in Nasonville, R. I., where he now lives. . . . Al and Mrs. Cummings had an anniversary in February. We wish them many more. . . . Roger Van Der Moor-tele bought a house trailer which he has had set up at Narrangansett Pier. An invitation is extended to all to visit him. Watch out, Roger, you may wish you hadn't been so generous.

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