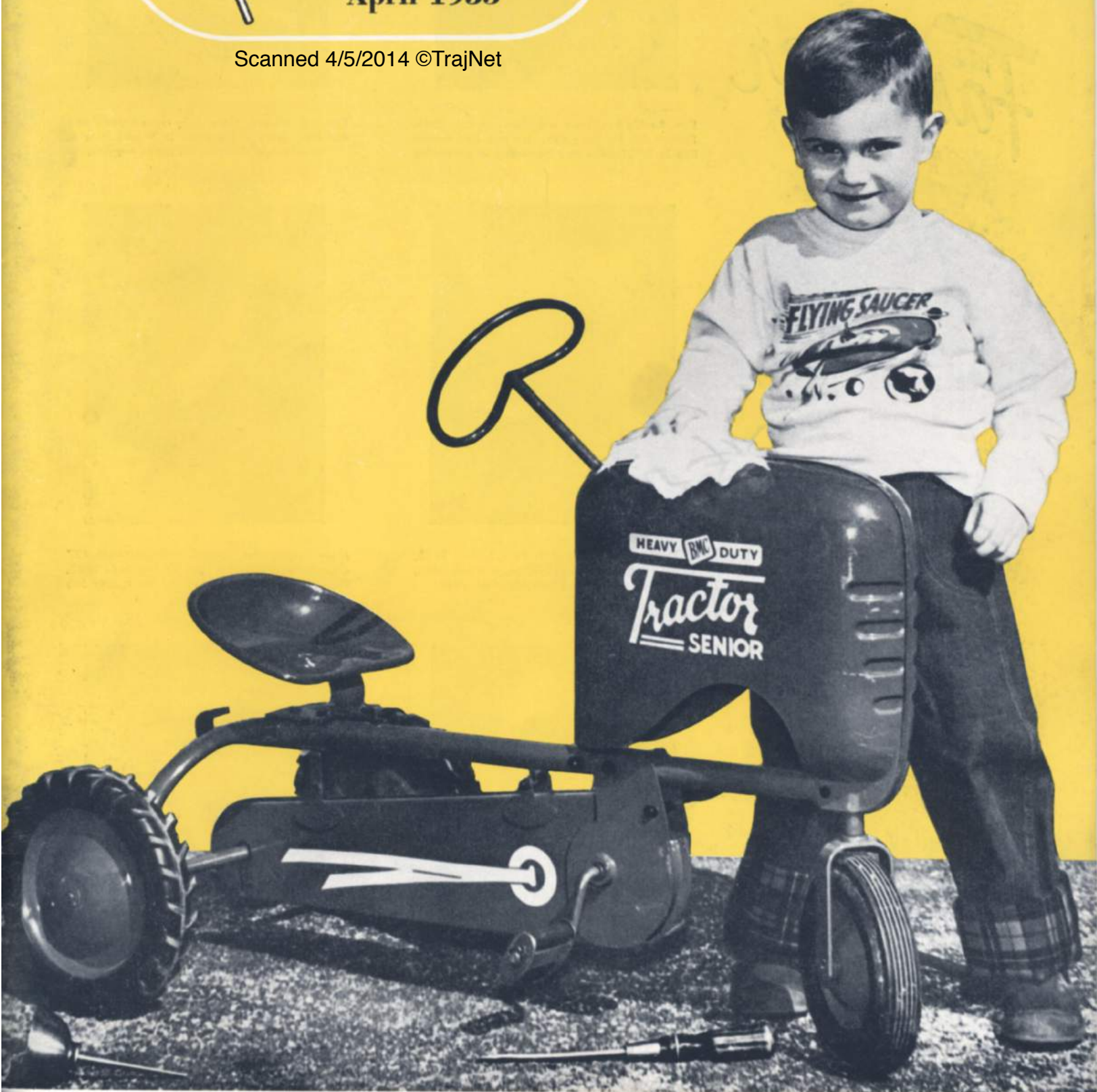


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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant



Karl Rankin has been employed on the Metal Pattern Job for 36 years. He and Mrs. Rankin live in Whitinsville and his hobby is gardening



Bernard Howard, Gear Job, served three and one half years in the Army in World War II. He has two children. His hobby—sports



Sophie Oleksyk, time clerk in 412 since 1943, lives in Uxbridge. Sophie's hobby is swimming, a sport she enjoys throughout the year



Mary Hugley has worked in Department 427 since the first day she came to Whitin in 1942. Her husband Bill is employed on the Milling Job



Herman Buma is a pattern maker in the Shop, but in Uxbridge he is a mortician. He is married and has two daughters and a son



Francis Shugrue, core maker and "Spindle" reporter, started at Whitin in 1933. He is married and has two sons and a daughter



Robert Lawson, Department 411, has 41 years at Whitin. He recently completed a new home on Linwood Avenue. His hobby is fishing

TrajNet BOLSTERS *for*

the Textile Industry

BOLSTERS and bolster cases—about 20,000 of each a week—are the finished products made by the 75 workers of Department 438. A bolster revolves not, neither does it spin, but the care and precision with which our bolsters are finished to tolerances of from .002 to .0005 inches play an important part in making Whitin textile machines the world's best.

It is common practice to measure the size of a mill installation in numbers of spindles, yet many fail to realize that for every Whitin spindle there must be a Whitin bolster and bolster case. The bolster and case make up a unit which secures the spindle to the frame and also contains an oil reservoir to keep it lubricated. Cotton, wool, nylon, rayon and other fibers are spun on spindles of many sizes and so it is necessary for the Bolster Job to make in the neighborhood of 100 different sizes of bolsters and cases.

Almost but not quite all of the work done in finishing these devices is done on the Bolster Job. A few of the smaller steel oilite-bearing bolsters are now made in the Charlotte Shop, and the milling on one surface of one of the larger bolsters is done in Department 416. Most bolsters and all bolster cases are made of gray cast iron poured in our Foundry and, after sandblasting, finished by the men and women under Foreman Edgar A. Duhamel and Assistant Foreman Ira Maghakian.

Each bolster undergoes about 30 operations in transition from a rough casting from the Foundry to a finished piece ready to be installed on a Whitin frame. The crude casting is first rough ground to a diameter that will fit the four single-spindle Cleveland Automatics, which in turn rough-turn, square, chamfer, drill, ream, finish-turn, and face-off the bolster and chamfer and turn the bolster end. Near these machines two special Clevelands drill, square, chamfer, and tap the bolster case nuts.

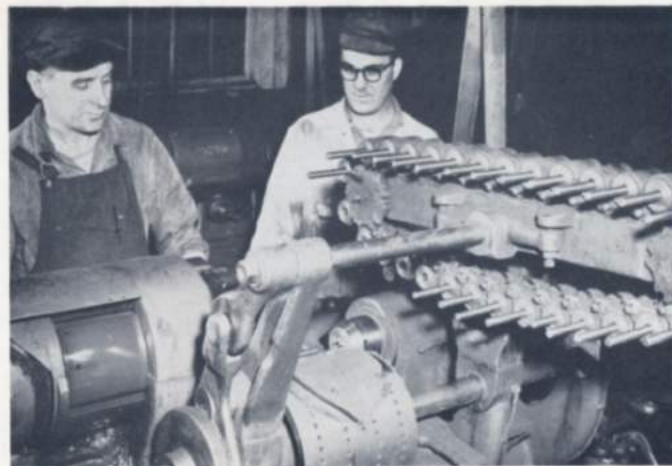
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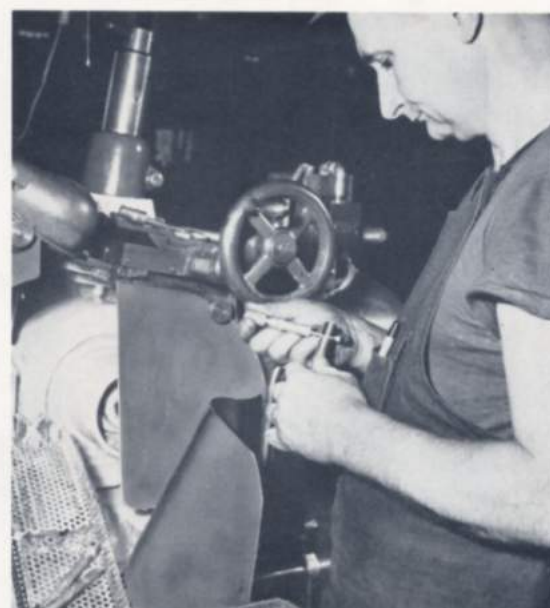


A great variety of bolsters and cases are made in Department 438. Foreman Edgar Duhamel and Assistant Foreman Ira Maghakian show how parts vary in size

Alexander Pawelczyk, operator on the left, turns and squares up bolster in first operation on Cleveland Automatics. Jacob Frankian, set-up man, is shown on the right



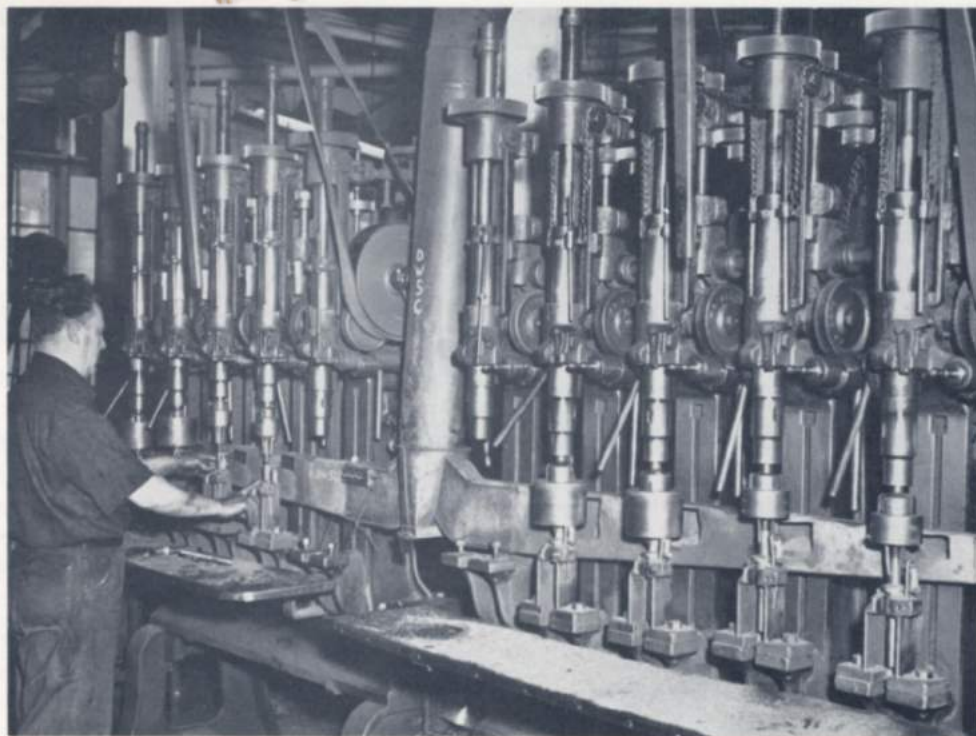
The first operation on a bolster case is the drilling of the lengthwise hole. Henry Gervais is shown starting one of the seven drills he uses to perform this operation



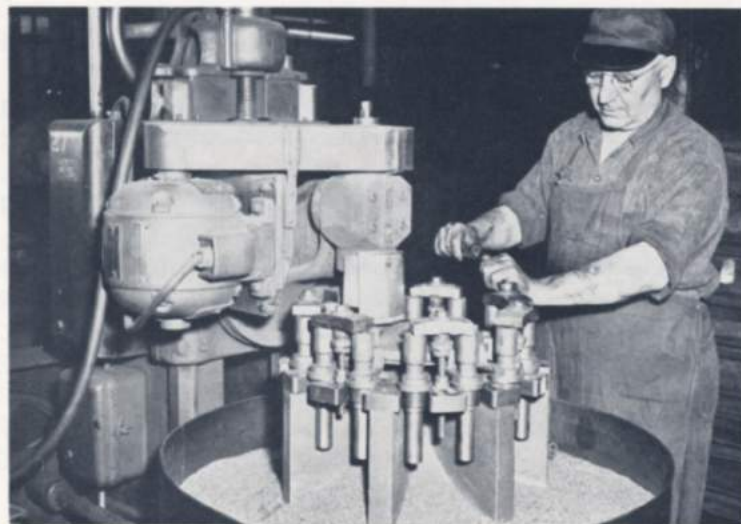
Harold Flint, grinder hand, checks bearing diameter on bolsters after grinding operation. Diameter must be held within .0005"

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Joseph Rascoe operates vertical lathe which turns necks of bolster cases to within .010"

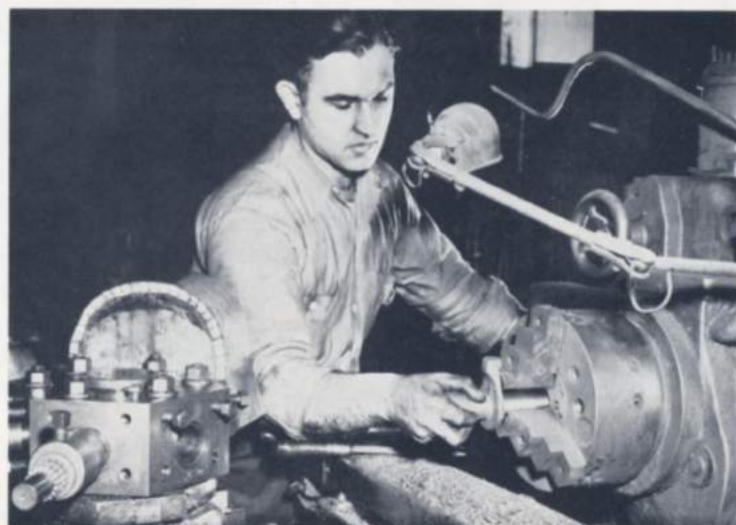


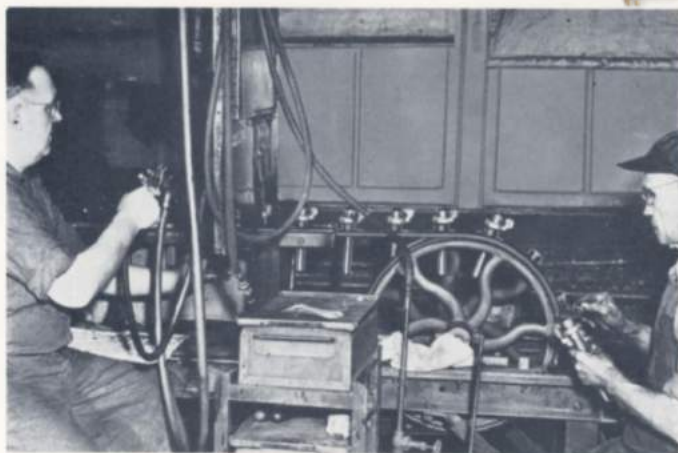
Above: Lathe with five cutting tools performs multiple operations simultaneously. Operator of machine is Walter Lemeshersky



Center right: Converted gear cutter speeds up milling of doffer guard post on bolster case. Anthony Destefinus is shown securing bolsters in machine

Lower right: Neck of large bolster cases are turned, counterbored and reamed on Warner-Swasey turret lathe. Operator of machine is Archie Gigarjian





Painting of bolster cases is handled by a three-man crew. Severin Houle is shown loading the conveyor belt, William VanderSloot is painting them with a spray gun and Doria Belanger, not shown, unloads cases after they pass through drying chamber. The cycle is completed every five minutes

Bolsters for the Textile Industry (Con't)

spindle rides is drilled on a special reaming lathe, the bolster receives another finish-turning, and the bearing is ground to a tolerance of .0005 inches by means of an automatic feeding device. After an oil return groove is cut, a special two-spindle drill bores holes for the staples which prevent the bolster from turning in the bolster case. The staples are inserted at a nearby bench and the oil-slots are then cut on another special machine. The bolster is now complete.

The bolster cases undergo a comparable series of operations. One man operates seven machines which could rough bore seven different types of cases at the same time. A special machine reams and center holes the case, which then passes to the Fay Automatic lathes and then to a special milling machine which operates ceaselessly as long as the operator keeps it loaded.

A special Whitin-built eight-spindle vertical lathe then turns the outer diameter of the case. The hole is then finish-bored to depth, the top squared, and an oil chamber cut into the case on another special machine. On Dupont bolsters a ball-bearing holder is added at this point. Yet another special machine mills the slot for the doffer cap. After the hole is finish reamed and the case threaded, the case is ready for inspection.

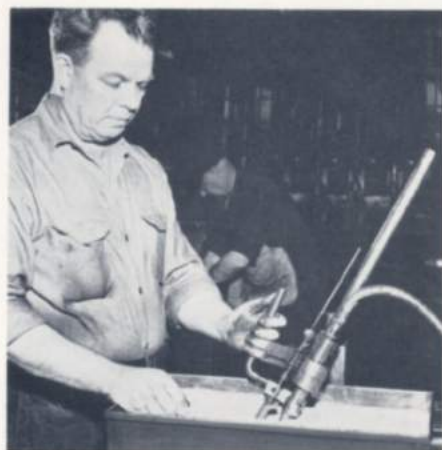
This task is done with meticulous care, for no Whitin bolster case ever leaks oil from a pin hole. The case is immersed in a bath and tested with air at a pressure at 90 pounds per square inch. If any telltale bubbles escape the case is rejected.

The cases which pass this test are then polished on the bottom to improve their appearance, stamped with the Whitin label, degreased, and then painted by a three-man crew on a conveyor belt which passes through a spray booth and a drying chamber. Then the case and bolster are given their final inspection and tried with a spindle.

Other minor parts made in Department 438 are doffer guards, pads for knee brakes, and twister heads for wool spinning frames.

Foreman Edgar A. Duhamel has been with the Whitin Machine Works for 20 years. He and Mrs. Duhamel live at 146 Lincoln Street, Worcester. Their only son, Edgar Jr., age 34, lives in California.

Among the senior employees in the department are: John Wasiuk, 50 years; Mardiros Hampartzoomian, 43 years; Louis Vincent, 42 years; Eugene Thomas, 34 years; David Brunelle, 34 years; Welcome Marshall, 34 years; Henry Gervais, 31 years; William Pare, 31 years; James Martin, 31 years; Doria Boulanger, 30 years; Richard Baker, 30 years; Lucien Perron, 28 years; William Vandersloot, 28 years; John Gjeltema, 27 years; Job Cournoyer, 27 years; Harold Flinton, 24 years; Leo Bouley, 20 years; Edward Roberts, 20 years; Philip Brochu, 20 years; Onesime Landry, 20 years; Joseph Rasco, 20 years; John Wisniowski, 20 years; Antoni Destefanis, 20 years; Edgar A. Duhamel, 20 years.



Harry Powers tests each bolster case for leaks. The case is immersed in a soda water bath and tested with air at a pressure of ninety pounds per square inch



Bolster and case go through a degreasing process before final inspection. Leo Bouley unloads a basket as Dick Baker, supervisor, checks case for cleanliness



George Sesona and Margaret Fallon machine bolster steps on turret lathes while Rouville Lalanne, center, assembles oil caps on bolster cases

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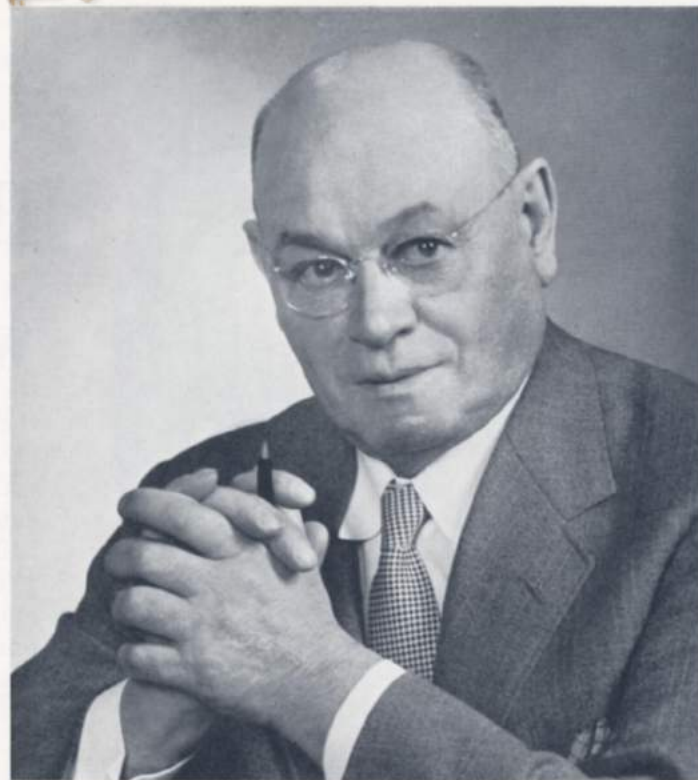
A heavily loaded truck once got wedged under an overpass. The load was just a few inches too high and there seemed no way to get the truck out without damaging the load.

As the driver and his helper were trying to decide what to do, a small boy who was watching spoke up. "Why don't you let the air out of the tires?" They took his suggestion and easily moved the truck out.

It's not always the experts who come up with the answers. Sometimes a person who looks at a problem from a fresh angle hits on the solution.

Remember this when you think some problem in your department is hopeless just because no one has ever found an answer.

FRONT COVER: Children, as well as adults, look forward to the warm days of spring. Jimmie Caron, three-year-old son of Wallace Caron, Research Division, is shown taking advantage of a sunny day to repair and polish his tractor.



Whitin Personality

At the age of 25 years John H. Kovar, salesman, was busy setting up a large woolen installation in a region of Russian Siberia so remote that he had to travel by a three-horse sled, or troika, for two days and a night to reach it from the railroad. He recalls that the area was so primitive that the Moslem millworkers received only 20 kopecks—or 10 cents in American currency—for a long, hard work day. As a representative of an Austrian manufacturer of textile machinery he saw all of Europe from Portugal to Siberia, from Turkey to Sweden, before he arrived in the United States in 1913 at the age of 28.

John was born in Krems, Austria, on April 7, 1885. After six years of school in Vienna he continued his study of engineering and mechanics at night school. His first work was with an Austrian rifle manufacturer, but he soon became interested in textile machines. After his European experiences he was for two years the United States representative of an Austrian textile machinery manufacturer.

The outbreak of World War I cut him off from his company. He worked at several places until 1918 when he began the building of tape condensers and cards in Worcester. This company was bought out by the Whitin Machine Works in 1928 at which time Mr. Kovar became part of the Whitin sales force.

John enjoys making things in the small workshop he has set up in the cellar of his home at 7 Nelson Street, Oxford. He gave up golf about 15 years ago in favor of fishing.

His duties as a member of our sales force leave him little time for clubs. He is, however, a member of Rose of Sharon Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Worcester.

"You know," John said, "I ate my first hamburger on a transcontinental express train on the Vienna-Warsaw-Moscow line. The French chef called it 'beefsteak a la tartar' but it was quite tasty, well spiced, and complete with onions."

Bullets for Korea

WHEN fanatic enemy hordes in Korea surge against the positions manned by our infantrymen and Marines their ranks are cut down by a veritable hail of defensive fire. Numerically the most important projectile in this withering fire is the .30 caliber used by our troops in semi-automatic rifles, automatic rifles, and machine guns as ball, tracer, incendiary, and armor-piercing ammunition.

The use of these rapid fire weapons permits our outnumbered men to meet the enemy on equal terms and results in the saving of many American lives. However, these weapons use ammunition in tremendous quantities, a demand that is being filled by American industry and American labor. Whitin has just completed a defense project which plays a vital part in keeping the ammunition boxes filled for our Armed Forces.

The Fayscott Corporation, which is making Waterbury Farrel bullet presses, ordered from the Whitin Machine Works 147 three-ton main frame castings for such presses. Although these castings were the largest ever produced by Whitin and despite the fact that our men were required to use a molding method with which they were not familiar, they completed the project without a single reject.



Franklin Maynard, Department 405, is shown snagging a mighty main frame casting for a Waterbury Farrel bullet press. Two cranes and a lift truck are needed to place this casting in the Roto-Blast



In a matter of seconds 6,000 pounds of molten metal are poured into the mold. From the left: Ernest Julien, Robert Hoisington, Allan Jenkins, and Alfred Marchand

Each of the seven-foot high molds was rammed with seven and a half tons of special sand mixed with pitch, flour, and clay and required three tons of molten iron, a 30 per cent semi-steel mixture. Because of the thickness of the casting, a special dense-grained iron mixture, with a tensile strength of over 35,000 pounds per square inch, was melted in a cupola apart from the Foundry's regular mix. Extra precautions were taken to insure that premature freezing, causing internal shrinkage, did not occur.

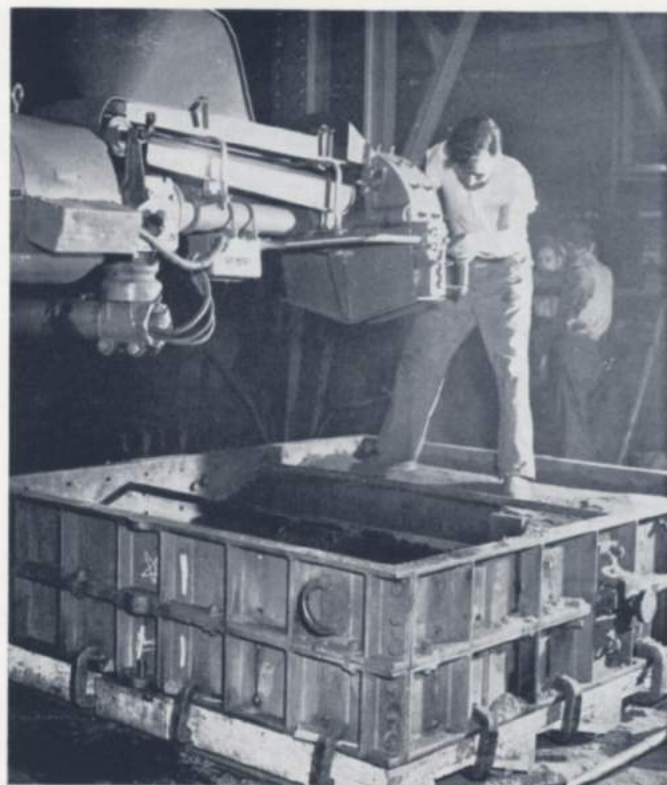
While the pouring time could be measured in seconds the preparation of the molds was time-consuming. Two crews, using split mahogany patterns, were able to produce one complete mold a day. Each half-mold, unlike our customary green sand molds, required seven hours' drying with hot air from a portable gas heater. A separate closing crew was responsible for inspecting, cleaning, positioning the cores, closing, and clamping the molds.

The completed castings were trucked to Department 405 where two cranes and a lift truck were required to position each casting in the roto-blast.

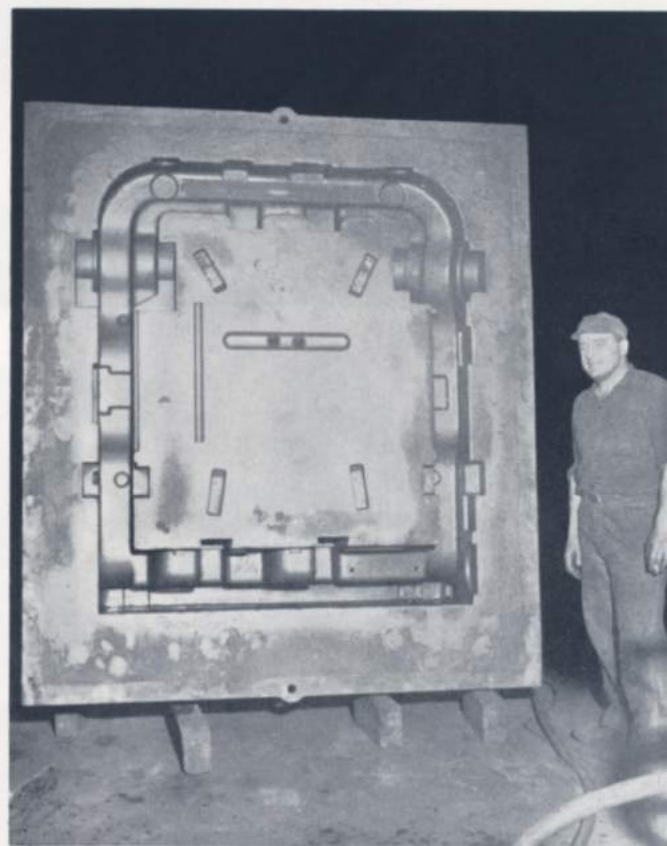
Supervised by Robert Hoisington, the following men were employed on this project: John Holewa, Joseph Gauthier, Joseph Truesdell, Joseph Carter, Girard Lacour, Ernest Julien, Gerald Brouillette, Alfred Marchand, Roland Dionne, Arthur Caron, Richard Lachapelle, and George McCauley.

In speaking of the job done by these men, Raymon F. Meader, superintendent of the Foundry, said, "The boys really did an excellent job. The score of 147 perfect castings is in large part due to the willing cooperation of these men."

EDITOR'S NOTE.—We extend our thanks to Raymon Meader, Armand Roberts, and Robert Hoisington for their cooperation in connection with this article for the SPINDLE.



Girard Lacour, a recent graduate of the Whitin Apprentice School, prepares to ram the drag half of the mold with the sandslinger



Alfred Marchand stands by the completed cope half of a mold. This mold has been sprayed with a refractory coating of graphite mixed with water, and has been brushed with a camel's-hair brush



The bullet press crew pose with their scoreboard. From the left: First row: Joseph Carter, Robert Hoisington, Alfred Marchand, Girard Lacour. Second row: Roland Dionne, Ernest Julien, and Gerald Brouillette



It Could



Above: "Read me a story, Daddy"—but even the large print of a children's book is too much for a man who has lost his sight. A blind person must learn Braille if he is to read

Upper right: Eating can be reduced to a routine in which the meat, vegetables, and potatoes are placed just so, but persons who have been blinded report that there is little pleasure in eating food you cannot see. Would you like to eat a meal while wearing a blindfold?

Right: He could hear, it is true, but there would be little pleasure for a sightless person in owning a television set



Happen to You!

Did you ever stop to realize that there are times when a thoughtless moment may be the cause of depriving you of one of life's most precious gifts—YOUR EYE-SIGHT. A moment's carelessness, a searing pain, and you may walk in darkness to the end of your days.

There is acute danger that this may happen to you, for during the 12 months of 1952 a total of 1,464 new accident eye cases were treated in our Shop Hospital. The danger is not growing less, for in spite of safety posters and urgent reminders that safety goggles should be worn in eye hazardous areas, 168 new cases were treated during January, 1953 as compared with 163 cases during January, 1952.

During January, 1953, most of the eye injuries suffered in the Whitin Machine Works could have been avoided. In 28 cases there were imbedded foreign bodies in the eye, in 96 cases there were loose foreign bodies in the eye, and in 36 cases the eye was inflamed due to foreign material in the eye. Goggles would have kept the foreign material out in most of these cases.

The problem extends beyond the walls of our plant and beyond the boundaries of this community. Last year, in the United States, 300,000 eyes were damaged beyond repair. In computing costs a figure of \$200,000,000 is accepted as being the price of this thoughtlessness.

According to the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness nine-tenths of the annual injury toll could be prevented by the use of basic eye protection equipment—SAFETY GOGGLES. If you work in an eye hazardous area you can be fitted to the proper type goggles—at no expense—at the Main Supply Room.

Remember! You have but two eyes.



In today's world driving may be done for either pleasure or business, but this is an activity that, no matter how great the emergency, would be closed to a man who lost his sight



Neither the pointing hand nor the kibitzing of his daughter would help a blind man—cards and similar pleasures would be forever denied him



Left: If you don't want to wear your goggles on the job you can get a Seeing Eye dog from the Seeing Eye Foundation at Morristown, N. J.

Right: Loretta and two-year-old Linda are glad that in reality their husband and father still has two good eyes. After posing for these pictures William G. Prior, a twenty-year Whitin employee, went back to the Metal Pattern Job determined to follow the safety rules and keep his eyesight



Hobby—

Raising Geese For Fun and Profit

"Geese are affectionate creatures," said John S. Dudley, research designer. "Why, some people go so far as to say that a gosling is attached forever to the first living thing he sees after coming out of the shell. My flock of forty-four White Chinese like the sound of human voices, and when you speak to them will gather around you gabbling excitedly as if trying to join the conversation. I warn you that there are many headaches—that you have to learn by experience—but a flock of geese is an interesting hobby."

John, who lives with his wife and three children on Main Street, Douglas, lists as the first requirement a small pond and at least three acres of grazing land. Weighing from twelve to fifteen pounds at the age of eight months, the birds consume tremendous amounts of water and eat voraciously. Geese pick up over three-fourths of their food on the shore, where the grass is cropped as close as a putting green, and in the water where they eat insects and aquatic weeds.

The second need is an incubator, for geese seldom hatch their own eggs. John uses an inexpensive sixty-egg Sears and Roebuck model. During the thirty-day period of incubation it is essential to maintain a temperature of 102 degrees and humidity of 80 per cent. For several weeks each spring John is as busy as a one-armed paper hanger.

The geese begin to lay about the middle of February, each goose laying about thirty-five eggs a year. The birds like to cover the $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch eggs with leaves whenever they leave the nest. Each day the eggs are collected, dated, and put in the incubator.

The hard work is just starting, for the eggs must be turned twice a day, from the seventh to the fourteenth day sprinkled with water daily, on the tenth day tested

by odor for fertility, and from the tenth day on momentarily cooled once each day to exactly 80 degrees. From the fifteenth to twenty-fifth day the eggs soak for thirty seconds in water at 100 degrees temperature.

John can judge the vitality of the unhatched goslings on the twenty-fifth day, for at this time the eggs begin to act like oversize Mexican jumping beans during their now daily bath. Now the eggs are no longer turned but are rocked to insure that the unhatched gosling is head up! This rocking enables the egg to rest heavy side down.

On the twenty-ninth day the unhatched gosling can be heard peeping inside the shell. If left alone the baby goose will puncture the shell, the fluid will turn to glue, the membrane will shrink, and the gosling will die. John plays midwife, gently cracks the shell to admit a little air, waits twelve hours, and then removes the shell. This operation requires both timing and gentle skill, for if done too soon the baby goose bleeds; if done too late the gosling is exhausted. The little creature is returned to the incubator for eight hours to dry and then kept warm for two days. From the second day on for a period of two weeks they are fed chick starter, then on growing mash until it is time to fatten them on corn.

The young geese are given strict training by their elders, first by the mother geese and then by the ganders. The old gander who rules the flock with an iron hand is perhaps the best watch-dog in Douglas. It is this grandfather goose who keeps the flock together, gives the orders, and punishes any silly goose who disobeys and steps out of line.

John reports that raising geese is not a get-rich-quick proposition but that he doesn't lose any money on it. The eggs of the goose are excellent food, and the rich dark meat is delicious. John puts away at least twenty geese in his freezer locker, sells some to be used either for food or breeding stock, and keeps some mature birds for breeding purposes.



John Dudley's flock of forty-four White Chinese geese gabble excitedly as they come ashore

Women's Page

MRS. CHESTER FLINTON, who lives at Second Street, Manchaug, successfully combines the dual roles of Whitin worker and outstanding housewife. A Whitin employee for the past 10 years and a skilled technician in the Foundry sand laboratory, Mrs. Flinton is famed among friends and relatives for the tasty dishes she prepares. The recipes on this page are among her favorites.

She is shown here in the sparkling kitchen built for her by her husband Chester Flinton, Department 436, who has been a Whitin employee for 20 years. Tastefully decorated with varnished illustrations from *Better Homes and Gardens* and featured by plastic-topped work surfaces, this kitchen is truly designed for modern living. "I am very proud of the job my husband did in rebuilding this room," Mrs. Flinton said, "because it saves me so many steps and it is such a pleasant place to work in."

A favorite for parties or lunch pails is her recipe for congo squares. She finds that her cinnamon twists are a popular treat in the morning or as a snack while watching television. Her meat roll recipe gives a tasty method of using left-over roast veal, pork, or beef separately or in combination. This last dish is equally good served with brown gravy or a sauce of undiluted cream of mushroom soup.

CONGO SQUARES

2 $\frac{3}{4}$ cups sifted flour	3 eggs
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. baking powder	1 cup nuts, coarsely broken
$\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt	1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate morsels
$\frac{3}{4}$ cup shortening	1 tsp. vanilla
2 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups brown sugar (1 lb. pkg.)	

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and salt. Melt shortening and add brown sugar. Stir until well mixed. Allow to cool slightly. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add dry ingredients, then nut-meats and chocolate. Pour into greased pan about 9" x 13" x 1". Bake at 350° F. 30 min. When almost cool, cut into squares.

CINNAMON TWISTS

Heat to lukewarm in large saucepan	1 cup sour cream
Remove from heat and stir in	3 tbsp. sugar
	$\frac{1}{8}$ tsp. soda
	1 tsp. salt
Crumble into mixture	1 cake compressed yeast
Stir until dissolved. Add	1 large egg
	2 tbsp. soft shortening
	3 cups sifted flour

Mix well (use hand if necessary). Turn dough onto floured board and fold over several times until it is smooth. Then roll into an oblong 24" x 6". Spread with 2 tbsp. soft butter. Sprinkle half of dough with a mixture of

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup brown sugar and 1 tsp. cinnamon. Fold other half over. Cut into 24 strips 1" wide. Place on greased baking sheet 2" apart. Press both ends of twists to baking sheet. Cover and let rise until light (about 1 hour). Bake at 375° F. 12 to 15 min. Frost and sprinkle with chopped nuts, if desired. Serve warm.

MEAT ROLL

2 or 3 cups chopped cooked meat (veal, beef, or pork)	2 tbsp. chopped green pepper
1 small onion, chopped	Salt and pepper
1 raw carrot, chopped	1 egg, unbeaten
1 recipe plain biscuit dough (Bisquick saves time)	Milk to moisten, if necessary

Put meat, onion, carrot and green pepper through meat grinder, using medium blade. Add salt and pepper to taste. Moisten with egg and a little milk, if needed. Roll biscuit dough into oblong shape $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick. Spread with meat mixture. Roll like jelly roll. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 425° F. 15 to 20 min. Serve with mushroom sauce or brown gravy.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Your curtains will travel more smoothly across the rods when you wax the rods before you slip the curtains onto them. . . . Guessing which cord closes your venetian blinds can be eliminated by painting the tip that pulls the shutter down a contrasting color. . . . If you have difficulty threading your darning needle put a loop of thread through the eye then slip the yarn through the loop and pull the loop back through the eye. . . . Baking soda cleans most everything—including the kitchen sink. Rub it on and watch the stains vanish.



Seated in her pleasant kitchen Mrs. Chester Flinton is shown icing a cherry and nut chiffon cake. She reports our photographer enjoyed sampling her cooking



KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

STOCK ROOM 406

by Arline Mikolaycik

A belated welcome to Harry Daly, Robert Bessey, Linwood Henry, Eugene Gravel, and Leo Ferriere. We hope that you enjoy working with us. . . . Last month we bade farewell to Mary Rice, who has left us to take up domestic duties, and also to await the arrival of "Mr. Stork." The very best of luck to you, Mary. We also bade good-bye to Leo Dufresne, who left us to become a planner. Good luck to you also. . . . On March 17, John Toohey came in wearing a light green shirt and a dark green tie, and "Maggie" Londergan wore a bright green scarf. Can someone please tell me why? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Maggie Londergan, who celebrated her birthday on Friday, the 13th. Who said that's an unlucky day? . . . Speaking of Friday the 13th, Bill Guertin had a spot of bad luck. He injured his finger in here, working with the castings, and then when he got home, he found out that his wife had slipped and fallen down their cellar stairs, and was quite badly bruised. Let's all hope that Friday the 13th doesn't come around too often. . . . Congratulations to Ray Picard on his new job. He's taken over for Leo Dufresne, and it looks as though you're managing quite well, Ray.

To "Patty" Brown, daughter of our assistant foreman, who has recently undergone quite an operation, all of us from 406 would like to say, "You have our best wishes for good luck and loads of happiness, but most of all for a very speedy and successful recovery. Keep your chin up, Patty, because from what we hear, you've done a marvelous job of doing so thus far."

METAL PATTERN JOB

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Bernard DeVries, a 50-year employee of the Whitin Machine Works, was born in northern Holland in 1889. At the age of 11 he came to Whitinsville with his family. He has lived here since. Bernie began work at the Whitin Machine Works in 1903 and has spent all but 10 years of this time with this department. At one time he worked under F. M. Stuart on general repairs of molding machines but for a long period he has had the maintenance of plant cranes as his duty. Bernard enjoys watching television, reading, and taking an active part in the activities of the Christian Reformed Church.

John Sohigian, one of our pattern makers, is still out of work. John has been out about five weeks at this writing and everyone hopes John, you'll return soon. . . . John Kennedy has left our department to take a planning job in the Foundry. Good luck in your new work, John. . . . Robert Dion is back on the day shift after a long stretch of night maintenance work in our department. . . . Two new men added to our night crew are Ellison Estes and Lucien Desrochers. . . . Bill Germain is having tough luck with his car. Bill had an accident in Millville recently. Anytime Bill is late its the car that holds him up. Better trade, Bill. . . . Our foreman, Gerritt Dykstra, is leaving our department for a period of jury duty in Boston. . . . Time Clerk Merton White and Andy Frieswick are sporting new Plymouths. Good driving, fellows.

ROVING SMALL PARTS, FLYER JOB, ERECTING, AND SCRAPERS

by Mary Hugley

Personality of the Month: Fred Tucker was born in Uxbridge. He attended the schools in Sutton. He was married to Nina Albee, March 17, 1923, and owns his own home in Sutton. He has no children and has been employed in the Shop 19 years as a drill hand. Before coming to the Shop he worked for 27 years at Mr. C. W. Lasell's Oakhurst track where he broke and trained colts for harness racing. He traveled around to different tracks for a number of years acting as a groom. His hobby is harness horses.

Bob Toscani of the crib is back at work after two months of illness. He was at Cushing V. A. Hospital. . . . Ed Dennett is in the hospital with pneumonia. . . . Nice to see Bob Hamblin around without the cast on his foot.

After nearly a year of hard work Larry Gonsoreik has his new home done. It is on Gilboa Street in East Douglas. Larry moved in the 14th of March. . . . Milton Murray dropped in to see us recently. He has been in the Army for two years. He was discharged the end of March and will be back to join us at work. . . . After three years of night classes in trade school, Sam Luksys has graduated. He studied architecture. . . . Birthday greetings for March to Joe Jaques, Sid Swart, and Fred Muse.

New faces in the department include Roger Durand of Woonsocket who came to us from Farnums Hardware Co. and Alfred Emond who came from the Box Job. Alfred lives in North Uxbridge. Joe Beaudoin, who is from Manville, just got out of the Army after three years in Panama. Charles DeVries, who is from Escalon, California, came to us after two years in the SeaBees. Gene BeRube of the Crib is back after service in the Army as a technical sergeant. He is now a member of the Rhode Island State Guard. Raymond Allaire came to us from Slatersville Finishing Company.



Arthur Gamelin, Chuck Job, received a purse of money from his associates when he retired in February. Leon Barnes, foreman, made the presentation and congratulated Arthur on his 44 years of service

WHITIN TO BE HOST TO A.M.H.S. GROUP

On Tuesday, April 21, a group, numbering approximately 150 people, representing the New England Chapter of the American Material Handling Society, will make a plant visitation to the Whitin Machine Works. Following a guided tour of the Plant and Research Divisions the group will be served dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Whitin Cafeteria. Mr. P. B. Walker will speak on "Material Handling at the Whitin Machine Works." Mr. Howard Dunford is chairman in charge of arrangements.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

The party for John McQuade, held at the Colonial Club, was a huge success with 15 members of the department attending. John left for boot training March 24. Good luck, John, from all your fellow workers. . . . Herman Arnold appeared recently in a brand-new Ford. Congratulations, Herman, you deserve the best. . . . A green-back shower is to be held at Chestnut Hill Hall, Millville, April 11, honoring Miss Cecile Gauthier, formerly of the Traffic Division Office, and Arthur Malo, whose wedding will take place on April 25. . . . We welcome Ray Blanchard and Jim De-Constanzo to the Receiving Department; also, Miss Beverly Keefe to the Traffic Office. . . . We hope everyone has seen our Pat DeJordy—his new mustache is quite a sensation. The question is does this new addition improve Pat's looks? We'll let you be the judges. Get your answers in early.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

The big four—"Baldy" White, Pete Prymak, Eddie Connors, and John McNely—well known as fishermen, have been getting their fishing equipment ready for the coming season. They anticipate big doings which we will hear more about in the near future. . . . Archie Bolivar has just opened up a new tract of land at his house. Archie has had such good luck with his rose garden and perennial beds that he has decided to try his luck with vegetables. . . . Joe Bousquet is back to work after being out sick for a few weeks. . . . The next time that Mat Pulnik parks his car in the woods he should make sure it is a dry day, as some of the boys got pretty wet pulling him out of the mud.

Gordon G. Spence Joins Treasury Department



On March 2, 1953, Gordon G. Spence, a member of the Illinois and Massachusetts societies of Certified Public Accountants, became a full-time member of the Treasury Department. Mr. Spence has previously been employed by the Waters Fire Engine Company as a cost accountant, by the Crane Company as general accountant, by the Amber Milling Company as office manager, and has been an associate of Ernst and Ernst. He joined Whitin on March 1, 1953.

Gordon was born in Duluth, Minn., on October 29, 1905, but moved to St. Paul, Minn., when he was six. After completing the St. Paul public schools he attended the University of Minnesota. In 1929 he was married to Miss Alice M. Smesmo of St. Paul.

At present Mr. and Mrs. Spence live with their four children, Barbara, age 19, David, age 16, Gavin, age 10, and Leslie, age 7, at 20 Sterling Road, Wellesley. They do not plan to move until David finishes high school.

Golf, fly-fishing for trout and bass, and puttering in his basement workshop are Gordon's chief hobbies. He is Past Master of Jasper Lodge Number 164, A.F. & A.M., Rush City, Minn.; Past Worthy Patron Jasper Chapter Number 28, O.E.S., and a member of Rush City Chapter Number 87 Royal Arch Masons. At present he is a member of the American Institute of Accountants and of the Dedham Polo and Country Club.

Charles F. Drummond Appointed Standards Engineer



CHARLES F. DRUMMOND was promoted from draftsman to Standards Engineer on February 27. For 12 years assistant chief draftsman in charge of spinning and twisters at the H & B Company in Pawtucket, R. I., he joined Whitin in February, 1952, and now heads the Whitin Machine Works standardization program.

At present Charles lives at 770 High Street, Cumberland, R. I., with his wife, Amy, and their four children, Gregory Charles, age 5½, Bonnie Gail, age 4, Deborah Charlene, age 3, and Charles, Jr., age 1 month. He hopes in the near future to sell his Cumberland house and to move closer to the Whitin Machine Works.

Born in Pawtucket on May 19, 1920, Charles attended the Pawtucket grade schools, Warwick High School, Providence Trade School, the Rhode Island School of Design, and is at present attending evening school at the Providence YMCA Institute.

Mr. Drummond saw service as a member of the Seabees during World War II. During the three years he was in uniform he spent 30 months overseas and saw action at Guadalcanal and in the Philippine Islands.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Solomon Oviau retired March 13 after 48 years of employment in the Whitin Machine Works. Solomon, who has worked only in this department, has the greatest number of years' seniority of those in the Foundry at the present time. We want to take this opportunity to wish Solomon all the luck in the world in his retirement and may he enjoy himself for many, many years to come. Solomon, all your many friends here will miss you.

Solomon arrived in this country in February, 1905, from Azuram, Turkey, where he was born and educated. Solomon was married to the former Victoria Shamgolian, deceased. They had six children: three daughters, Lucy, Louise, and Margerite and three sons, Koko, Lawrence, and Berge. Two of the sons are employees in Whitin Machine Works. Koko is employed here in the Foundry. Solomon started working in the Foundry in October, 1905. He has worked at one time or another on practically every job in the Foundry. For the last 20 years he worked at the ladle lining department. Solomon has stated that his favorite hobby is relaxing. The presentation of a purse of money was made on the Foundry charging floor by Foundry Superintendent Raymon F. Meader. Mr. Oviau has asked me to thank everyone who has made his last few hours here such happy ones. Special mention must be made of Varky Arakelian, chairman in charge of the gift donation and also thanks to all those who helped Varky make it such a success.

Our Personality of the Month is Alfonso Chattman. Alfonso was born in Chappell, South Carolina, where he received his education. On December 25, 1946, he married the former Bessie Allen of Silverstreet, South Carolina. They have one son, Timothy, and make their home on River Street, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. He has worked in the Foundry since September 24, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the last war and was attached to the 97th Division in Italy. His hobbies are typing and reading.

We want to welcome back Willie V. Dandy who has returned from a two years' tour of

service in the U. S. Army, 598th Field Artillery. He entered the Army February 4, 1951, and was discharged February 4, 1953. He received his training at Camp Polk, Louisiana. Willie was employed in the Foundry before he left for the service and is married to the former Minnie Wilson. Their home is in Worcester. . . . We want to wish Joseph Berard all the luck in the world in his new job. He was appointed to the Woonsocket Police Force February 19, and is now attending Police School in Woonsocket. Joe worked six years in the Foundry. . . . Tony Mancini, Foundry Clerk, has finally decided to stop traveling amidst a cloud of steam. The old Nash that he had was one of the best steam makers in this vicinity. Tony now has a 1951 Nash. . . . Some of the Herman boys would like to know what kind of a dog Joe Benoit owns? Joe claims it talks and dances—especially, waltzes. Say, does it tell fortunes?

We want to welcome Peter Bibbo, office clerk. Pete makes his home at 39 Grant Street, Milford, Massachusetts. . . . Good luck to James Maffia on his new assignment as a time study man, Foundry Wage Standards. Jim has been with us in the foundry office for two years. . . . What we would like to know is what is going on around the cupolas. Not too long ago Billy Burroughs sat down to eat his dinner and when he opened his bag there were three pounds of green peppers for his lunch—nothing else. He can't explain how they got there. And now comes another unexplained mystery. Ralph Guidotti settled down to eat his dinner consisting of cheese sandwiches and found them to be strictly jelly. No explanation for that either. Are there gremlins around those stacks? Something is giving those fellows a bad time. . . . Good luck to Richard Gallivan who has left us after 18 years in the Foundry as a squeeze molder. Dick and his wife have moved to Polo-Walo, California. They formerly made their home in North Uxbridge.

We are happy to report that Albert Thibault's wife, Lucille, has fully recovered from a recent illness. Albert is a molder on the cylinder floor. . . . We are sorry to hear that Raymond Sweeney was injured quite badly recently where he worked at W. W. Windle Co., Millbury, Massachusetts. Ray worked here for two years before he

went to W. W. Windle. His wife, "Peggy," is employed in the Foundry Sand Control Department. We hope that by the time this is published Ray will have fully recovered. . . . Leo Shugrue, son of Frank Shugrue, Foundry supervisor and formerly employed in the Foundry on the night shift, after four years of service in the Air Force is training under the G. I. Bill for department store managing. He is attached to Dickman Department Store in Whitinsville. Leo will be happy to welcome his friends there. . . . A mother asked a four-year-old: "If a man has no hair, what would you call him?" He promptly answered: "A Grandpa!"

Foundry Production Control Office: At the time of this writing our regular reporter, George "Red" Vincent, is on the sick list but we hope he'll be back with us soon. It seems good to see Jim Whelan around, filling in while "Red" is out. . . . Two new men have been added to the personnel in the Foundry Production Office, namely John Kennedy and Leo Dufresne. John formerly worked on the Metal Patterns Job and Leo worked at No. 406. . . . With golfing season just around the corner Joe Mercak would like to make an open challenge in behalf of the Mercak Bros. to Jerry Turner and Bill Taylor. Joe claims the T. & T. combination are just a little, shall we say, "chicken." . . . Stanley Ziemba is back with us after having quite a siege of sickness and he claims he's as fit as a fiddle now; it certainly sounds it during the lunch-hour pinochle games. . . . By this time everyone must know that Joe Mercak has entered politics in East Douglas and has been elected Recreation Commissioner at the recent town elections. Commissioner Mercak, as he is commonly called, is on his way to higher goals. . . . Now that spring is here with us, the start of the real season of activity begins. Some of you will spend your leisure hours on the golf course, others may be building a summer cottage, some will work their gardens and many will take that weekend trip to the beach or the mountains. Whatever the case, if you beat your buddy playing golf, or you raise some prize flowers or vegetables or if you catch a real big fish, please let us know, and in the case of the fish bring a picture for proof! A department this size should have many pictures; please bring them in.



Solomon Oviau, of the Foundry, retired last month after accumulating 48½ years of service at Whitin. Raymon Meader, Foundry superintendent, congratulated Solomon on

his fine service record and presented him with a purse of money, a gift from Solomon's associates. Kirkor, Solomon's son, is shown standing to the left of his father



Pvt. Vernon Ahmadjian, now in Korea, is the fifth son of Nishon Ahmadjian, molder in the Foundry, to serve in the armed forces. Lt. Colonel Michael Ahmadjian, a graduate of West Point Military Academy in 1940, is stationed in

Germany. His other three sons served during World War II. Archer was a captain with the U. S. Army Engineers, Azad was a 1st lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Corps, and Harry was a major in the U. S. Army Engineers

STEEL FABRICATING AND CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Marion Metcalf

Let me introduce you to Kilda Monast, or "Pop" as he is better known to his fellow workers. Born in St. Damase, Canada, on April 6, 1889, "Pop" came to live in New Bedford at the age of four, when his parents migrated to the United States because of the textile boom of that time. He attended the Catholic schools of New Bedford until he was 14 years old, at which time he began work to help his family. His first job was as a "farmer's helper," but his trades have varied in the past years. Before settling in Rhode Island, "Pop" traveled far and wide and, in the days of the first Mary Pickford pictures, worked on a movie set. As a sideline he finds working as an automobile mechanic profitable at times, but since January 25, 1949, his major interest has been the grinding section of Department 432. In 1941 the former Yvonne Millette, of Providence, became Mrs. Monast.

We also have a cheerful personality in Department 432 who came to us in 1949 after working in Department 454 for three years following his discharge from the service in February, 1946. This happy-go-lucky fellow is Alfred Nichols, of Upton, Massachusetts, who is better known to many as "Sheriff." He started out in the working world as a maintenance man in Knowlton's Hat Shop of Upton, but this was interrupted when he left for the Army in November, 1942. On June 16, 1945, the former Eleanor Kane of Upton became Mrs. Nichols. Their pride and joy is their six-year-old daughter, Linda Agnes. The year 1949 was an important one for "Sheriff" as this started his work on the Police Force of Upton, and he also served as Commander of the Marshall-Leland Post. This year congratulations are in order also as he is a newly elected constable and also Sub-District Commander of the Worcester County American Legion.

Our congratulations go to Eugene Closson, of No. 26 Crib, on his appointment by the selectmen of Upton as Deputy Chief of Police. With these two trustworthy fellows on duty I would suggest that you drive

cautiously when you are in or near Upton!

We welcome Bob Moorey back after his recent eye trouble. . . . The welcome mat is out to June Boisvert in Department 410 office and also to Robert Miller in the Tool Crib of Department 432. . . . Business must be very prosperous for Frank Tingley and George Vacher who have been sporting their own 1953 Chevrolets of late.

May we wish many years of happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Marshall in their new home on Mechanic Street, Upton.

Well folks, spring must be just around the corner when the fellows start pitching horseshoes during their noon hour and talk about forming a softball team in the near future.

I would like to mention with pride that the boys of Department 432 are also doing a big part in making the sheet metal parts for the Pratt & Whitney grinders discussed in the last issue of the SPINDLE. They form, punch, grind, assemble and weld these parts, so let's not forget our men even though they are way up in the warehouse.

Katherine Victoria Akillian, daughter of Setrak Akillian of Department 432, was a very happy little girl on March 17 when her little friends surprised her with a party to celebrate her birthday. . . . Belated birthday greetings go to "Pat" DeBellis, Kilda Monast, Robert Miller, "Mike" Yozura, Ernie Doucette, Gaston Menard, Herman Woeller, Allan McCrea, Rene Rock, Setrak Akillian, Arthur Mercier, and yours truly.

PICKER AND DRAWING DEPARTMENT

by Grace Bedrosian

Our Personality of the Month is Samuel Finney. Sam was born in Clinton, Massachusetts, in 1880 and at the age of three he went to Ireland. He returned to this country when he was 18 years old. In 1900 he started working for Whittin on Department 421, where, after 53 years of service, he still is employed as a wire roll coverer. He and his wife Flora reside on Overlook Street in Whitinsville. Sam is an ardent baseball fan and spends his spare time fishing and gardening.

John DeSantis, scraper hand, has purchased a 100 foot x 150 foot lot on Highland Street in Milford. Contractors will start construction on a modern ranch-type home in May. From the crying John has done about the move of the Boston Braves—we wonder why he doesn't build his new home in Milwaukee. . . . Richard Porter, assembler on the Pratt & Whitney grinder, who for the past 41 years has resided in Franklin, will move into the Plummer Apartments in May. Welcome to Whitinsville, Dick. . . . A hearty "hello" from the members of Department 421 to Joseph Gervais of Woonsocket, who has been laid up due to illness for approximately eight months. Wishing you a speedy recovery, Joe!

Raymond Young left Department 446 on February 14 to attend Bill Magowan's Umpire School in Daytona Beach, Florida. After completion of a five-week training period he was assigned to the Georgia State League. . . . We are happy to welcome Harry Bedoian back to Crib No. 12 after two years in the service. Harry left his job as stock room attendant in 1951 to serve with Quartermaster Corps. He was recently discharged as a corporal after serving 17 months in Korea. . . . We also welcome Francisco C. Alé from Bolivia, South America, to Department 443. Frank, as he is known by his fellow workers, is learning the fundamentals of picker machinery and card feed set-up.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

Sonny O'Donnell is a patient at the Veteran's Hospital in Framingham. We all hope Sonny gets well real soon. . . . Jack Martin, one of the real old-timers on the job, is now resting at his home following an operation at St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester. A good cup of Irish tea will fix you up, Jack. Jack claims he sure missed his strong cup of tea while he was in the hospital. . . . Vaughn Harding looked like a new man when he reported for work recently. The mustache he had been sporting for the last few years finally was shaved off. We could never figure how a guy with black hair could have a red mustache.



Don King, Gear Job Personality of the Month, at one time drove racing cars for a living

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Personality of the Month: Donald King was born in one of the Worcester hospitals on November 17, 1913. He is the son of Charles P. and Ruth C. King. He was brought up in Sutton, attended Sutton elementary schools and graduated from Sutton High School. Don joined the Whitin Machine Works on October 28, 1939, where he started as a turret lathe operator and after five months he transferred to the gear cutters. He remained on the cutters until February, 1941, when he was appointed night supervisor on the Gear Job. This did not last too long, for on December 23, 1941, he was inducted in the Air Force. He was stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He then attended service school at Roosevelt Aviation in Long Island, New York. Later he served 19 months as a flight engineer with the 42nd troop carrier squadron in Anchorage, Alaska. In 1944 Don was married to the former Elizabeth Kelly of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and on October 18, 1945, he was discharged from the Air Force at Westover Air Field in Massachusetts. Don then returned to Whitin and to the Gear Job as a gear cutter operator. In October of 1947 he resumed his job as night supervisor. On September 1, 1950, he was reinducted in the Air Force. He was stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base in Panama City, Florida, where he served as senior aircraft mechanic until he was discharged on August 31, 1951. He returned to Whitin and resumed his duties as night supervisor of the Gear Job until January, 1953, when he was transferred to the day shift as a shaving machine operator. Don lives with his wife, Elizabeth, in their own home on Whitin Avenue in Manchaug. His wife is employed as a nurse at the Wallum Lake Sanatorium. From the years 1937 to 1950 (years in the Air Force excluded) he had what we might call a very interesting and exciting hobby; he was an automobile racer. Don was a Triple A Sprint Car driver in the New England and New York areas.

Don states that he has never won any race of great importance. He now has a more relaxed hobby, operates an amateur radio station from his home in Manchaug. Don's call letters are W1YCW. When summer rolls around, he will be steering a 22 horsepower outboard motorboat, another of his extracurricular activities.

On March 16, Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson visited the Gear Job to present Jim Rogers with his 30-year pin. Congratulations are extended to you, Jim, from your many friends. . . . Birthday greetings are extended to: Eugene McClure, Jim Rogers, Harry Thompson, Frank Loader, Roland Dion, and Sidney Frieswyck. . . . We welcome Joe Charette who was out a few weeks on account of illness. Joe is known as "Mr. Happiness" on the Job as he is always smiling. . . . Louise O'Connell, inspecting supervisor, will again travel to Worcester for the bowling tournament but this year she will only be a spectator, as she has already been eliminated. Better luck next year, Oakie!

John Morin and wife are planning on going housekeeping in Plummers. Good luck to both of you on your new adventure. Sonny Reith is mighty proud of his new 1953 Pontiac while Rene Tancrill is contented with his 1951 Ford. Eugene McClure doesn't say a word but he just bought a 1940 Oldsmobile. Happy rolling, fellows!

Baseball is now our most talked-about subject and the spotlight shines on the Braves switch from Boston to Milwaukee. Comments by a few members of the Job on this situation is—Boston fans have not proven enough interest to support two teams. Good luck to you, Mr. Perini, and to all the Milwaukee Braves fans—may this be your year.



Edward Boutiette, Milling Job Personality of the Month, has photography as his hobby



Garabed Harabedian, Milling Job, toured through 30 states during his last vacation. He is shown with his grandson in Fresno, California

MILLING JOB

by Marie VanderBaan

Our Personality for the Month is Edward Boutiette, who was born in Linwood and attended Northbridge schools. His first job was with Uxbridge Worsted where he worked for six years before coming to Whitin Machine Works in 1939. His first job was on 426 where he remained for nine years. In 1948 he transferred to the Milling Job. Mr. and Mrs. Boutiette were married in 1937, and have two daughters and one son. Gertrude, the oldest daughter, is quite talented with paints and Elaine, the younger daughter, is following in her footsteps. Richard, the son, enjoys fishing and as Dad says, "He has more patience than his father." Ed's hobby is photography and he is a projectionist in his spare time. He also enjoys bowling and is manager of the softball team. Pretty busy schedule!

We send wishes for a speedy recovery to the following fellow-workers who have been on leave for some time: Louis Gaucher, Narcisse Cournoyer, Ernest Buker, Alphonse Boileau, Rose Belanger, and Frank Donovan.

Mrs. Celia Donaldson, vice-regent of the General Rufus Putnam Chapter D.A.R., was one of the hostesses to the members and their guests, which included the two D.A.R. pilgrims and their mothers. Mrs. Donaldson is also a past regent. She was also on the committee that wrote up the second volume of the new *Town History of Sutton*. A copy will be sent to Continental Congress (headquarters of the D.A.R. in Washington). Many of the photographs on homes and places of interest in this book were taken by Malcolm Pearson, our plant photographer.

We are happy to report that Everett Fessenden's daughter June is coming along nicely after a serious operation. . . . Birthday congratulations this month go to Leo Roussel, Mary Goyette, Edward Fontaine, Lawrence Ashton, Merrill True, Armand Vermette, and Kenneth Williams.

... On March 20, Louis Demars celebrated his 76th birthday in good health and good spirits. ... Congratulations to William Proffitt who received his 30-year service pin. We wish you many more years, Bill.

James (Bud) Daley has returned to work after a two-week rest. The men wonder if it was a honeymoon that Jim went on? ... The night shift wishes Henry Osowski the best of luck in his new business venture of selling fishing equipment in Southbridge. ... Chet Roaf is sporting a fashionable piece of wearing apparel lately. His friend Ed Fontaine claims General Custer left it at Chet's home when he was fighting Indians in Manchaug. ... We welcome two new members to the night shift, Leon King and Normand Blanchette.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

This seems to be welcome home month for us. First, Robert Bosworth—back after one week at General Motors in Framingham. Bob left us but changed his mind and is extremely glad to be back. Likewise, we are glad to have him back. ... Next, Wilfred Whitney is home again, too. After a month's absence, including a couple of weeks in the hospital and an operation, he's back in harness and like a new man. Before he left for the hospital we were gathering data about birthdays and anniversaries and his morale must have been pretty low. He accused me of preparing his obituary prematurely. We hope he has changed his mind. ... Our assistant foreman, Raymond Fullerton, is back after a week and a half's absence. The first week spent in Whitinsville Hospital he was being used as a temporary pincushion for a migratory penicillin needle. It was mighty quiet in the office while he was getting the needle instead of using it. Glad to have you back, Ray. ... Last but not least Joe Fenner



"Happy Birthday to You" is the song being sung to Donat Bileau's daughter (in dark costume) by the cast of a Manchaug Minstrel Show on February 14. The character on the left is Donat dressed as an end girl



Patrick McGovern is the Wood Pattern Shop Personality of the Month

is expected back by April 6. We all hope so and say welcome, Joe, too.

Birthdays for April include Alfred Sutcliffe, Robert Bosworth, and your SPINDLE reporter. The last is noteworthy since it falls on April Fool's Day and is considered by many very appropriate. Many happy returns, Bob and Al. ... Alfred Sutcliffe was the recipient of a 30-year pin on March 17, very appropriate, too, since the 30-year pin is resplendent with six emeralds. Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson were on hand to present the pin. ... Our youngest member, Eddie Plante, whose engagement was announced in a recent issue of the SPINDLE, was trying bushings for size on his ring finger and one got stuck. He had a rough few minutes getting it off with the aid of soap and a few pertinent remarks from the sidelines. ... Robert Gonynor and Mrs. Gonynor attended the Ice Follies in Boston recently. The Flower Show at Horticultural Hall in Boston was well attended by the job, too. Among those who made the trip throughout the week were: Mr. and Mrs. Julian Masson, Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick A. McGovern.

Personality of the Month: Patrick A. McGovern—Pat was born December 2, 1895, in Grafton, Massachusetts. He moved with his family to Millbury when he was three or four years old. There he went to school until 1911 when he started learning pattern making at Worcester Boys Trade School. After two years he transferred to Reed Prentice where he served his time as an apprentice. After completing his apprenticeship he worked in several pattern shops in Worcester. He worked in Fore River Ship Yards in Quincy for about a year during World War I.

He first came to Whitinsville to work in the Pattern Shop of the Whitin Machine Works on October 29, 1924, and stayed until September 24, 1926. At this time he left to go to Flint, Michigan, where he worked for General Motors until February 7, 1927. He, like Archie Fournier, must

have been lonesome for Whitinsville, because he returned and has been working here ever since. Pat married a local girl—Gertrude Murphy—a former school teacher and settled here permanently. They live on Granite Street in town now. Among his hobbies are: flower gardening, antiques, golfing, and swimming. In connection with the swimming he spends nearly every vacation at the Cape in Falmouth, Massachusetts.

His golfing started at Long Draft Golf Course which you probably remember. (Being a golf widow, myself, I certainly do.) He was a member of the Whitin Male Glee Club. He no longer sings with them but does help with the properties when he is needed. Pat also was a reporter on the *News from Home* during World War II.

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Edward Marshall received his 30-year pin this month. Company officials present were: Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Robert Wilson (Bob). They also presented a 30-year pin to Mr. Peter J. Young.

Ed came to work in 1910 on the Roll Job. He gained experience on the Spindle Job and then the Spinning Erecting Floor. After working on the road for 18 years erecting machinery he left the company to work elsewhere for one year. On his return he went back on the road. With this valuable experience Ed was retained inside the shop to explain the working of Whitin machinery to those willing to learn. Appointed supervisor under Mr. Wilson on the wool and worsted, he was later made foreman of the Twister Division. Ed belongs to the Whiteo Club, Whitin Male Glee Club, Men's Club of the Presbyterian Church, Mason's, and our own little club. Ed is always willing to go along with the boys on any congenial affair such as suppers, bowling, etc. He resides with his wife Helen and his sister Margaret, of Inspection Department, at 25 Leland Road.

Peter J. Young, better known as Pete



Edward Marshall, foreman of the Twisting Erecting Department, was presented his 30-year service pin last month

was born in New Foundland. He came to Whitinsville in February, 1923, and started working on the Spindle Job when Mr. B. R. Sweet was foreman. When you see Pete working on outside lawns you may be well assured he knows what he is doing. For 19 summers, 1924 to 1943, he was greenskeeper at Whitinsville Country Club. He is experienced in set-up work on combers, speeders, and cards. He has four sons and two daughters. Ray is attending the umpires school in Florida; John and Peter are employed here; Paul is in the armed forces; Elizabeth is employed here; and Dorothy is at home. Pete likes gardening and cribbage. He particularly enjoys defeating his foreman, Fred Langlois, or Joe Gauvin at cribbage. He lives with his children and wife Margaret at the home he purchased from Whitin Machine Works.

Everyone in Department 433 was shocked by the death of George Baribeault who was killed in an auto accident in North Grosvenordale. George was employed in the night shift in 433.

John Flezar has a new '53 Pontiac. Mario Colabello claims that once he can get beyond a certain corner in Milford he will buy one too. . . . Don Simmons has two season tickets for the Braves he would like to get rid of.

How did that song "Alouette" break into the program of Irish tunes on St. Patrick's Day? This song and the fact that my green cane changed colors during the noon hour almost caused an international situation. . . . Larry Bombara asked for and received a transfer to Department 402. Best wishes, Larry. . . . Arthur Taylor, whose wife is vacationing in Florida, came to work recently wearing odd socks.

COMBER JOB

by Harold Leoncini

We welcome the following new men to our department: Bob Pratt, Tom Salvia, and Michelle Baine. . . . We are sorry to hear that George Catterson, at the present writing, is hospitalized. . . . Eddie Allega has cottages at Hyannis and we hear he spends his week ends getting them ready for the summer season. Stuart Hay is busy also preparing his cottage on Lake Quinsigamond. . . . Jennie Rauth has returned after an illness. . . . We congratulate Mitchell Kroll who recently was reelected to the Board of Selectmen in the town of Millville. . . . Rene Provost is back to work after a brief illness.

BOX JOB

by Bernice M. Werth

Our sincere congratulations to Jim (Murphy) Dorsey, who on St. Patrick's Day received his emerald 30-year pin. The presentation was made by Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, and Mr. Cunningham. Jim, who is in charge of the box storage floor, is a genial and popular fellow, and we all wish him many more years of continued service. . . . Benny Oles recently spent a week end in New York City, "with the boys." They attended a basketball tournament at Madison Square Garden. From all reports, the visit was an enjoyable one. . . . April birthday greetings to Jim Dorsey and your reporter. And speaking of birthdays, your reporter must have skipped a few according to one of the boys who asked her how many grandchildren she had. . . . Captain Ralph Nolet reports that his bowling team is now

tied for second place with several other teams. We're betting on you, boys. . . . The Easter season is here, which traditionally means new wardrobes. At least it does for the ladies of the family. Papa's spring outfit usually consists of a new necktie and a shoe-shine (if he's lucky). We hope you all had a pleasant and inspiring Easter Day.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

We wish to report to all those who didn't notice Jimmy Martin's tie on St. Patrick's Day, that it was green. . . . Welcome back to Walter Fierley, Clement Laflash, and Bizar Hagopian all of whom have returned to work after a short illness. . . . Bob Cochrane was an M.C. at a banquet for a Cub Scout troop who were celebrating their third year and cub scoutings 43rd year in existence. . . . L. Harding and Harold Flinton went clam-digging and were keenly disappointed when they dug all day and came up with less than a bushel of clams. They both claim they expect quite a clam shortage this year. . . . Jeff Powers' son Dick was a substitute on the Northbridge High team that entered the Clark Tourney. Look for Dick to be on the varsity squad next year. . . . Walter Turpack recently bought an Oldsmobile 98 and Armand Lavallee acquired a Chevrolet club coupe. William Griffiths received his five-year pin.

The Bolster Job extends a welcome to its new men—Norman Labelle, Norman Perras, Leo Hudon, William Patterson, and Donat Bergeron. . . . Marty Cahill, a former Bolster Job employee and now a fire-fighter in the town of Milford surprised some of us and paid us a visit. It certainly was good to see Marty after a year. . . . Shop softball is upon us again. We hope to be able to field a team this year and enter the play-offs.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Let's start off by making amends for an omission last month. Although one person on the job was mentioned as having taken part in the Glee Club Concert, another was left out, unintentionally. So, to Tommy Stevenson—my apologies, for not mentioning you, too. . . . We have two new men on the job. First, was Ralph Pickering. This is his first job in the shop. He worked for the Star Carbonizing Company in Woonsocket where he lives. Ralph played football for P and Q. Incidentally, he played in a game against our other football player, Ed Baldyga, who played for Chipman's corner. Ralph also enjoys all kinds of fishing, fresh water, deep sea and surf fishing. Harold Hoekstra is our other new fellow. He worked in No. 5 Crib as a stock clerk before coming to us. He likes to play baseball and enjoys watching football and hockey. He also likes to shoot pool, prefers rotation. . . . Speaking of hockey, Andy Baird, Bob Stewart, Tommy Stevenson, Henry Beaudoin, and Charlie Hoekstra recently took in a hockey game



Members of the Whitinsville Squadron, Civil Air Patrol; Major Patterson, Massachusetts C.A.P. Wing Chaplain; Major Ashman, U. S. Air Force C.A.P. Liaison Officer; and Lieutenant Colonel Lydiard, Massachusetts Deputy Wing Commander were present last month at a local Parent-Teachers Association meeting where they explained the purpose and functions of the Civil Air Patrol. Pictured above, from the left: Major Patterson; Cadet Stephen Orrell; William Kidd, P.T.A. President; Lt. June Wilbur, Whitinsville Squadron Commander; Major Ashman; Cadet Dolores Lariviere; Dr. Herman, Superintendent of Schools; and Lt. Colonel Lydiard

Local Pup Wins Award

between Providence and Pittsburgh. They first stopped for supper at the Sheraton-Biltmore, then off to the Arena for the game. They enjoyed the game even though they missed the first quarter. . . . Rita DeOme, Veronica Mahoney, Agnes Spence, Gert Conrad, and Ruthie DesJourdy took in the Ice Follies at the Providence Arena recently and stopped along the way for supper. A nice time was had by all.

Russell Durand has been having quite a bit of trouble with his leg again. It all goes back to an injury received while working out in the yard. This last session he had to spend three and a half weeks in the Whitinsville Hospital. He is now back to work again, and we sincerely hope he has no more trouble with it. . . . "Chick" Lavallee is now going in the chicken business. He has about 19 Bantams for his BIG business. (Chick, chick, chick—wonder who's calling who.) . . . We had a few pictures taken on the job with a polaroid camera (which particularly fascinated me. I've been interested in those cameras for some time). The main subject of these pictures was the new knitting guide bar assembly for the shop catalogue. They came out good. . . . Birthday greetings are in order this month for George Forsythe, who celebrates on April 4, Leo Roberts on the 16th, Roland Graves on the 23rd, and Joe Tero on the 29th. Happy birthday to all. . . . Six girls from town made the finals in the W.T.A.G. Tournament. They are Fran Haringa, Rose Kalonas, Anna Palulian, Cora Barsamian, Inez Thomas, and Bunny Janton. Best of luck to you, and come home with the bacon!

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Personality of the Month: Norman King, one of our ring buffers, has been with Whitin 30 years, having started here at the age of 16. Previous to this he worked at the East Douglas mills and attended schools in that town. At the present time he lives in North Uxbridge with his wife. He has a married daughter and two sons in the armed forces in Korea. He was born in Nashua, New Hampshire. Asked about his hobbies, they are gardening and television. . . . Carl Johnson was honored on the anniversary of his 30 years at the plant by the Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson. Congratulations, Carl. . . . Alphonse Turgeon feels he should be accorded some recognition because his birthday came on the same day that Joseph Stalin was buried. Congratulations, Al, on your birthday. . . . Spring is in the air and before many days Dick Lemay will be seen on the road to Laurel Lake. . . . Birthday greetings to Carl Johnson, Gert Ebbeling, Kay Ebbeling, Mac McCullough, and Titus Ebbeling, Jr. . . . No, it's not a new car, it's a 48 Plymouth, new to me, replacing the Dodge which was on the road to ruin.

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by Jim Fallon

Arakel Almasian, who has been working in the Whitin Machine Works for 30 years,

FAME and good fortune have come to Jimmy Leonard and his three-year-old dog, Boots. To Boots, who is part spaniel, part hound, and all dog, went the distinction of being the only mongrel to be a money winner at the Eastern Kennels Dog Show held in Mechanics Building. To Jimmy, who is all boy, went a crisp and negotiable \$50 war bond.

The story began when Jimmy and Boots were photographed on their way to the playground where Boots is so faithful a customer that he is included in the daily attendance records. The resulting picture was seen by hundreds of our employees on the cover of the August, 1951, SPINDLE. Ernest Leonard, Jimmy's father, entered the picture in a Dog Devotion Contest sponsored by the Boston Daily Record and the Boston American-Advertiser newspapers.

Over 5000 other people also entered pictures. The shot of Jimmy and Boots was one of 12 selected for the semifinals held in Boston. Eight entries were awarded \$25 and dropped from competition. Boots, plain Whitinsville mongrel, was left in the select and pedigreed company of a St. Bernard, a springer spaniel, and a water spaniel.

Boots and the other three select pets were on exhibition for a two-day period before they entered the ring on the evening of Monday, February 23, for the final selection. With Coach Red Auerback and star center



Jimmy Leonard and Boots won a \$50 war bond in Dog Devotion Contest in Boston

"Easy Ed" Macauley of the Boston Celtics and Mickey Harris, Cleveland Indians pitcher, acting as judges, the silver loving cup went to a flop-eared spaniel named Crickets. To Boots and the other two finalists went \$50 war bonds.

Boots was not impressed by either his competition or the vast crowd on hand for the finals of the dog show. With dignity he posed for newspaper photographers. His Whitinsville friends note that his head has not been turned by the publicity he has gained, but that he continues to be a faithful and devoted companion.

retired March 13. He came to this country in 1913 and lived and worked in Providence for eight years before he came to Whitinsville to live. Arakel was born in Armenia in 1879. We wish Arakel happiness in his retirement. His son works on the grinding wheels in this department.

Roger C. Vandemoortele, who works on the sorting tables in this department, has a 1950 Nash. All I have to say is there must be money on the sorting table. . . . Christian S. Oswald, who worked on the sorting tables left on March 20 to return to Eastern, Pennsylvania, to work on a dairy farm. . . . George Gray, who works in the Rattler Room, hurt his arm while working. . . .

Clarence E. Corey started on March 5 as a time clerk in department 405. Good luck!

Tom Dwyer worked as time clerk in Department 405 until he went into the Army in January. He is stationed at Fort Dix in New Jersey with the Service Battery, 34th Field Artillery of the 9th Infantry Division. . . . Leo Cournoyer, who drives the electric truck in this department, for two years has had a hobby of collecting old coins. His collection is now worth \$100 in cash. He comes from Rockdale. . . . Omer Ross, who is a grinder on the bench in the Cast Iron Room, has a hobby of collecting match books for his brother-in-law, who makes ash trays out of them.



Joseph Bartlett, Tool Job Personality, with Mrs. Bartlett and family



Howard Walker, of the Tool Job, with the thin man which was presented to him by Charlotte Duvernay. (Photo by George Jones)



Veronica Mahoney, Bolt Job Personality of the Month, has been with Whitin for 18 years

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Joe Bartlett is the Personality of the Month. Joe was born in North Uxbridge in 1924 but the family moved to Whitinsville when he was very young. After attending the schools in North Uxbridge he started serving his apprenticeship in the Whitin Machine Works. In 1942 the Navy took Joe away for three years. He served on the battleship U.S.S. New Jersey. Upon his release he came back to the Whitin Machine Works to finish serving his time. In 1946 he married Theresa Bouthilette of Uxbridge and they now have three children: Joe, Jr., age five; Bruce, one year and six months; and Richard, six months. Joe likes to play the piano, which he does very well, although he has never taken a lesson. His other hobby is taking old automobiles and cutting them down to make tractors. At the present time, he is building himself a new home in North Uxbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baker spent the week of March 21 in Detroit, where Mr. Baker was attending a Convention of the American Society of Tool Engineers. . . . George Moran of the Cutter Grinding Room wore a bright orange shirt on St. Patrick's Day. He had a lot of fun with it but he kept away from Jack Conlon. St. Patrick's Day is a sacred day in Jack's life. . . . Julius Vierstra wishes it known that he will give any one of his friends a ride home *providing* they are going his way. . . . Gene Lussier, John Gauthier, Jim Gellatly, Jim McGuigan, Hertsen Heerdt, all of Department 454 and Ken Stanley of Research, attended the basketball game between the Boston Celtics and the Baltimore Bullets in Worcester on March 16. These six men take in at least one professional basketball game each year.

The Tool Job Sick Benefit Club will hold its annual Banquet, April 18, in Pythian Hall. This year the entertainment is expected to be the best that it has ever been. The first year the entertainment was provided by the Tool Job talent and was excellent; the following years we had professional entertainment or dancing. We enjoyed our own entertainment the best of all, so this year we are going to have a Minstrel Show directed by Art Barsey.

Adam Brabel is the sport of the month with his new 1953 Ford Victoria.

In last month's issue, you read how Howard Walker had won a bet, but full details were not available. Mrs. Charlotte Duvernay (Tool Job Office) bet Howard one dollar that he could not take off 10 pounds by St. Patrick's Day. He lost 34 pounds, so Charlotte presented Howard with a thin man made of cardboard with 100 pennies glued on.

PLANERS AND BOLTS

by Mel Henry and Ray Woodcome

Personality of the Month is Veronica Mahoney who has been on the Bolt Job for

the past 18 years. Veronica was born in Adams Corner, Northbridge, where she attended school and lived until five years ago when she moved to South Sutton. Her hobbies are collecting china dolls and embroidery. She is a member of the Pythian Women's League Bowling Team.

Happy birthdays this month go to Freddie Siepietowski, Veronica Mahoney, Alice Bassett, Leo Brouillard, and Elsie Gellatly. . . . Tony D'Alfonso has bought a new home in North Uxbridge. . . . Ray Valente, inspector, has been transferred to 423. . . . A pleasant surprise was a visit from Al Buma, home on leave from the marines. . . . Congratulations to Soody Asadoorian on his election to commander of his Post.

We have heard from reliable sources that Newk Wallace has become a cat fancier, but with a new twist. Stealing a page from Houdini's book, one night recently he visited a neighbor's yard looking for a dead cat. Finally he located the cat and buried it with a full ceremony. Then he dashed back to the warmth of his living room and the evening paper. To the amazement of everyone (but Newk) suddenly the cat calmly walked in the front room door. . . . Softball candidates are needed to replace players who have left us in the past year.

GENERAL MACHINING

by James Magowan and Ken Harrington

Personality of the Month: Marcel Plante, a quiet young man, was born in Lewiston, Maine. In his young days, his family moved to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, where he attended the public schools. He is a graduate of Woonsocket High School. He married the former Rita Dussault of Bellingham in 1941. He served three years in the Army, seeing duty in the "Battle of the Philippines" and Okinawa. He has worked at the Springfield Arsenal, Taft Pierce of Woonsocket, came to Whitin Machine Works in 1947, and started on the Screw Job. At present he is a set-up man on the turret lathes. Marcel lives in Woonsocket and has three children—Muriel, Dennis, and Alan. Marcel has as a hobby harness racing and, believe me, he never misses a race. He knows all phases of harness racing.

Welcome back to the job, Dominic Bombredi. He has just finished a two-year hitch in the U. S. Army. He was stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. . . . Talent Scouts, watch out! We have the makings of a band of some sort and with a few more players and a whole lot of practice we may take them to Talent Scouts. Leo Mullins, on the piano; Hector Roy, with his banjo; and Uncle Fred Robertson, with his bagpipes. Any more applicants? . . . Anyone wanting a duck for Thanksgiving or Christmas place your order with John Malley who is going into the business.

Softball is in the air and 423 has a roster already. On paper we are unbeatable—but if all our grandstand athletes would come

out and help us physically, maybe we could get into the play-offs for a change. How about it, fellows?

Many happy returns to John Megerdichian, on his birthday. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krajewski on their wedding anniversary.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Stanley Rutana's daughter Pauline now has a driver's license so we of the Spindle Job will be looking forward to seeing Stanley pedalling her bicycle over route 146. Stanley says he enjoys bicycle riding very much. I wonder if this is true or is it a necessity? . . . Everett Bishop of this Job wore his green on March 17. He was wagered a bet he wouldn't wear a green carnation, but he was seen a little later with this flower scotch-taped to the bald spot on his head. We all had a chance at ribbing him and he is a great sport. . . . There are rumors in the air that Miss Nancy Small is drifting towards the road of wedding bells. How about this? . . . Jacob Wassenar of Department 439 received his pin for 25 years of continuous service although he has been employed here about 32 years. . . . Albert Violette, who is in the Navy, was in to visit us the first week of March. He is looking fine.

Personality of the Month: Ovila Gervais, born at St. Gabriel, Canada, came to U.S.A. in 1909 and lived at Linwood. He is an American citizen. Ovila started with the Whitin Machine Works in 1917 on the Spindle Job where he has been since. His first work was applying oil deflectors on spindle blades. Since then he has done a large variety of work in the years that followed and now is set-up man on lathes. Ovila has two sons and two daughters. He is president of the Progressive Club in North Uxbridge and has been an active member in the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

LINWOOD DIVISION TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Personality of the Month: Harry Malkasian was born in Whitinsville on December 17, 1918. He attended the local schools and graduated from the Northbridge High School in 1936. In December of the same year he entered the employ of the Whitin Machine Works in Department 450, and except for the time he served in the U. S. Navy during World War II, he has worked only in this department. Harry is the grievance man for Departments 450 and 451. He is married to the former Lillian Tarpintan of Providence and they have one son, Harry, Jr. His hobbies include baseball and collecting oriental records.

Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, timekeeper and secretary to Alan Blizard, has just purchased a new 1953 Chevrolet. We understand she also has a well-stocked 14 cubic foot deep freeze in the cellar of her home. We are all wondering what the story is, Dorothy.

Belated birthday greetings to Frank DeJong whose birthday was March 2, and to Ed Jones and Al Cupka who have birthdays in April. Many happy returns, boys. . . . On February 27 Carl Nyquest, one of our inspectors, left the Shop for service in the U. S. Army. He received a purse of money from his associates.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality of the Month: William Markarian of the grinders has been an employee of the Whitin Machine Works for 20 years. "Bill," as he is known to his fellow-workers, was born in Portland, Maine, July 16, 1912. He later moved to Whitinsville where he attended the local schools. He is a graduate of Northbridge High School and Becker Junior College. When entering the employ of Whitins, he started on the Bolster Job, then transferred to the Roll Job, was later supervisor on the Magneto Job, then he moved to the Tool Job, and is now running a grinder machine at 426. Bill is captain of the Job bowling team, which has been the winner for the past two years, and trying for the third. His hobbies are bowling and fishing. Bill recently moved into his new home on Fowler Road. He is married and has two children, Robert W., 12 years, and Irene, seven years. Bill, a quiet fellow, is well liked by all and we wish him the best of luck in his new home.

Birthday greetings to Lucy Mooradian and Virginia Burke. . . . Alpherie Varin, formerly with a textile mill in Providence, has joined the department as night time-keeper. . . . We were all very interested in the cottage built recently by Herman Picard, a group leader of the department. He did all the construction work himself, and it has every convenience one could think of, and is beside a lake in Rhode Island. We know he will enjoy many happy hours at the cottage.

LINWOOD MILL

by Louise Sohigian

We are very happy for our office clerk Widgie Esposito. Her husband arrived home from Korea after serving 19 months. We welcome Brenda Cook who is temporarily taking her place. . . . Congratulations to Cora Barsamian who again qualified for the Telegram and Gazette Bowling Tournament. Cora has participated almost every year. Lots of luck, Cora. . . . We welcome back Kitty Bagdasarian who is working upstairs under engineering for Howard and Bullough. . . . The Chevrolets down here started to get competition when Joe Berkowitz drove in one morning with a brand-new Ford. . . . Birthday candles were lit in March for Harry Jackson and Tillie Oppewall.



Seaman 1st Class Leo Rondeau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rondeau, Cottage Street, Whitinsville, has been with the U. S. Navy since 1950



Ovila Gervais, Spindle Job Personality, has worked in this department since 1917



William Markarian, Grinder Job Personality of the Month, is a graduate of Northbridge High School and Becker Junior College. Shown with Bill is his niece

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Kenny Johnson was in to visit us recently. He is being transferred to Camp Stoneman in California and from there he will go to the Far East. . . . We received a card from Ray Dumais who is at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. He was married down there Saturday, March 7, to the former Marjorie Trask of this town. . . . Jim Buckley has been transferred from Texas to Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Georgia. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Roy who celebrate their 22nd wedding anniversary April 6.

Florence Zeroogian's score in the Women's Bowling Tournament was 385, which doesn't sound too promising, so better luck next year, Flo. . . . Fourteen little guests were present at a party for Arlene Marie Rondeau who celebrated her first birthday March 2. Arlene's father is a painter in this department.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Al Capone, the all-around man of the office, is engineering the work for a cottage to be built at Charleston by Larry Haymen. Al is the boy with all the answers and promises some pictures as the work progresses. Good luck, Larry. . . . Albert Brouwer is very proud, and has good reason for feeling that way about his 15-year-old daughter Marilyn, who is quite the swimmer. Within two weeks' time she broke the New England record for the 300-yard individual medley by five and 2-tenths seconds. This record

hadn't been broken since 1947. On the same day she also placed second in the 100-yard backstroke. A short time before this she came in with top honors for the 100-yard backstroke at a meet in Leominster. . . . Herbie Andrews claims that now all is well and he has redeemed himself with Al Arterton. Herbie helped Al pull Mrs. Arterton out of the mud about 11 p.m. the other night. Herbie feels that he has proven he is indeed a friend in need. . . . Walter Frieswick and his family are enjoying the new car Walter has bought. Remember to drive safely, Walt, so you may enjoy it for a long time.

Let's sing happy birthday to the following members of the department this month. First, for Larry Haymen as I neglected him before, and then for Sid Buma, Al Capone, Paul Wheeler, and also Paul's son whose birthday is the same day as his dad's. . . . We want to congratulate Paul Wheeler and his wife on their 18th wedding anniversary. . . . Kurken Garabedian and his wife Alice, are also celebrating their second wedding anniversary. We hope these two couples have many more years of happiness together. . . . Paul Wheeler and a group of men from town recently put on a sketch at the Blue and Gold Banquet of the Cub Scouts and a good time was had by all. . . . Did you ever fall over a wagon? Well, I did and on St. Patrick's Day, too. I went to visit a convalescing friend of mine who happens to be Irish and upon leaving my foot slipped on the step; I tumbled to one side and over a big red wagon. But everything was O.K. I was told as long as I didn't hurt the wagon in any way. I didn't count, even if I had had a broken leg, so they tell me. . . . We want to welcome Carol

McCrea to the office. We hope she will enjoy her stay with us as much as we will enjoy having her with us. Carol came to us from Department 489, Inspection Office. Also, we want to welcome back to the department, Emmet Martin, who left us for a while to work at 411. They surely must miss him down there because of his very unique whistling. . . . We wish Lydia Hickey, who is on a leave of absence, a rapid recovery. If she returns soon, perhaps she and Emmet can give us a pretty good duet, as Lydia is a very cheerful whistler around the office, too.

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell Orco

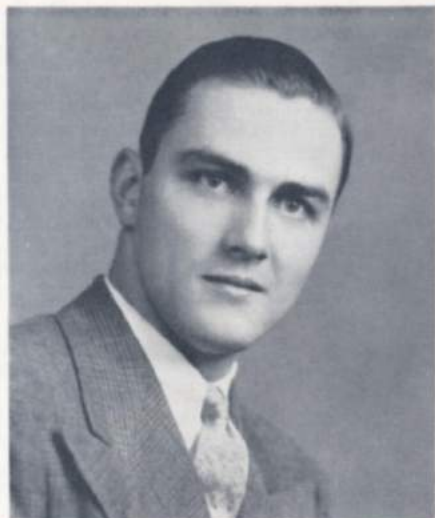
The perfume of spring is in the air and down in the Export Sales Department the birth of a new type of art is being celebrated. Forget your modernism and away with your cubism, just drop by and ask Albert Callens for a glimpse of the greatest of them all, "Manchaug at Midnight," the picture that has the world of art in a quandary. . . . They tell me Rome was once the center of the world but judging from the trips made recently by members of the Main Office, these days all roads lead either to New York or Florida. Within the past few weeks the Empire State has sheltered at various times Evelyn McNamara, Sally Mantashigian, Agnes Kalousdian, and Roy Rollins while Jim Robertson spent two weeks soaking up the sun at Miami Beach and from the looks of him he brought most of it back home with him. . . . By the way, I trust that no one overlooked, as I did in my previous column, the newcomer to the Main Office. In humble apology I'd like to introduce Mr. Wayne Stinson who came to us after four and one-half years in the Wage Standards Department. Wayne lives with his wife and three and one-half-year-old daughter in Uxbridge, and I know you'll pardon the touch of prejudice that might be showing when I say that his being an "Uxbridgite" is definitely in his favor.

Gosh, April Fool's Day came and went completely overlooked and uncelebrated by me. Couldn't get my thoughts off the very nice emerald studded pin which Mr. Bolton presented to Gert Barlow in honor of her 30 years' stay with the Whitin Machine Works. . . . And for those of you who might be wondering, Gloria Marshall has received word that her husband, Carlton Marshall, has been stationed at an army hospital at Inchon, Korea. . . . Our accolade for April is for Jim Marshall, Jesse Lored, Gert Barlow, May Hutcheson, Evelyn McNamara, and Marion Taft who are celebrating birthdays and for E. Kent Swift, Sr., Connie Dale, Olga Rutana, and Clayton Cleverly who are celebrating anniversaries.

FLASH! Get out the midnight oil and lubricate your cerebral gears. This is an advance warning and don't be caught with your scrappaper down. Next month we are featuring the greatest problem of the age—and if you can solve it you're a better man than I. Until then, ADIOS.



At the Little League banquet at the Klondike Inn, Grafton, on March 10, plans were discussed for the 1953 season. The Northbridge Little League will open its season with a twin bill on May 9 at Vail Field. Pictured above are the managing personnel. Front row, from the left: Robert Wood, treasurer; Leo Smith, vice-president; James Brosnahan, president; and James Davidson, secretary. Back row, from the left: Arthur Lavallee, Richard Cunningham, Everett Adams, James Kane, and William Papetti



Barrett Judson, Master-List Personality of the Month, was a 1st class hospital corpsman during World War II. While in the armed forces he took a premedical course in a California hospital

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by Rensforth Yeo

Personality of the Month: Barrett Judson lives at 72 West Water Street in Whitinsville with his wife, June, and their two sons, Thomas, age three, and David, age one. Although Barry has only been with W.M.W. a relatively short time, he is very well known through his many activities. "Jud" started in No. 5 Storeroom as an assembly pick-up man and after two years came to the assembly group of the Master List Department, and very recently was assigned to a specifications analyst job on repair orders for spinning and twisters. Barry once worked for Schuster Woolen Mills in East Douglas and Central Tool Co. of Sutton. He served in World War II as a 1st class hospital corpsman and saw action in the Philippines and Okinawa. While spending some three and one-half years in the service, he took a pre-medical course at Balboa Hospital in California, and upon his discharge studied pathology at Hahnemann Hospital in Worcester prior to coming here.

Barry is married to the former June Froh who was an employee of the Wage Standards Department. Her father "Ted" Froh is supervisor of budgets. Barry is a member of the local Fire Department, Fire Engine Company No. 2, the Home Garden Club and the Men's Club at the Methodist Church. His outside interests are bowling, softball (W.M.W. Shop League), hunting, fishing, and picking cranberries. He's pretty good at all of them.

Roy Burroughs, supervisor of the Printing Room, Master List Department, was awarded his 30-year pin on March 16 by President J. Hugh Bolton and Works Manager Eric O. Pierson. Congratulations, Roy.

Birthday greetings to James Ferry, R. K. Brown, Lou Lucier, and Angela Zanchetti. . . . Joan Parker is now a tracer in the Engineering Department. Formerly she

was in charge of repair order records. We all wish Joan good luck on her new job. . . . Muriel Nichola has taken over Joan's previous job. We all hope that Muriel will enjoy her new job. . . . Earl Burroughs, son of Roy Burroughs, Printing Room supervisor, returned home from Korea recently. We are glad for both Earl and Roy. . . . James Ashworth has been out ill for quite some time. All of us hope that Jim will be feeling better and be back to work soon. . . . Ray Tebeau enjoyed a trip to Philadelphia to see his Holy Cross basketball team play Navy in the N.C.A.A. opening round. The Cross won, making the trip a complete success.

WAGE STANDARDS DEPARTMENT

by John Romasco

A warm welcome is extended to Mrs. Elizabeth Brown and Ben Musket who have returned to work after a short period of hospitalization. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Donald Amiro attended the Governor's Inaugural Ball and reported having a very pleasant evening. . . . Several members of the office have decided to go on a "calorie spree" and are becoming well read on the subject. If anyone would like further information on same please contact Russ Lupien. . . . Harold Thayer was recently "bent to starboard" due to a sacroiliac condition. He stated that it was due to a muscle in his back. Could it possibly have been from pushing his "Chevy"? He says it never fails him!

A warm welcome is extended to James Mafia, formerly of the Foundry Office, who has joined the foundry division of Wage Standards and Francis Fleener who is a transfer from Department 411. . . . Recently our foreign car expert Ronnie King spotted a Jaguar parked in front of the plant.



Hyke Markarian has been discharged from the armed forces after serving two years in Okinawa and Japan. Hyke was a draftsman as well as a radio operator while in the service. His father is Nishan Altoonian, Rattler Room



Mr. and Mrs. William Meadowcroft to attend coronation

William Meadowcroft, who was a maintenance mechanic in the Power House prior to his retirement in November, 1952, and Mrs. Meadowcroft, have made arrangements to attend the coronation ceremonies in England in June. They will sail on the "Queen Mary" from New York on April 29. During their stay abroad they plan to visit Mr. Meadowcroft's sister whom he hasn't seen since coming to the States with his family in 1923. Before they return they expect to tour Ireland and Germany.

Quoth Ronnie "There's a real buggy." . . . Birthday congratulations to Donald Amiro, Howard Sears, and "Jo" Taylor. . . . Ralph Stinson is temporarily transferred to Department 410, standard data division. Howard Sears and Russell Lupien have joined the standard data group of the Foundry Division. . . . Welcome back to John Bloem who has rejoined our organization. . . . Have you noticed the new Adolph Menjou mustache recently taken on by Ralph Stinson. Pretty sharp, Ralphie. . . . At this writing quite a number of office personnel are getting their fishing gear ready for the fishing season which is rapidly approaching. At the next writing we should have some whopping fish stories to tell you.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

We say "hello" to a number of new people in our department this month. Philip O'Grady, a graduate of Northbridge High School, '48, works for Sam Hobbs in the Scheduling Department; Seb Kalousdian, a graduate of Northbridge High School, '49, now works as a draftsman in the Twister



MYSTERY PHOTO—John Kovar, salesman, on the left, was the man in our *Mystery Photo* last month. Compare this picture with his latest photograph on page 7. Would you recognize the young fellow on the right if you saw him today?

Section; Joan Parker has been transferred from the Master List Department to the Tracing Section. Joan graduated from Northbridge High School in 1950. Mrs. Nellie White, secretary to Al Roy and Otto Schlums is from East Douglas and formerly worked at an insurance concern in Worcester. . . . Mr. Ted Fior from Uxbridge and Mr. Paul Cheney from Worcester will be with us for several months working for Ken Piper. They have been loaned to us by the Associated Engineers of Worcester. Hope you like your stay, Ted and Paul. . . . Sophie Steele, who works in the Blueprint Department, will leave us in September to resume her nursing study. She is also a graduate of Northbridge High School, '51.

Mill trip was made by Earl Wood to New York. . . . Ken Piper received his 25-year pin from Mr. Bolton on March 16. Ken is pretty proud of that pin and I don't blame him. He worked hard for it. Hope you are here for 25 more years, Ken. . . . Stella Boudreau was out for several weeks with the flu bug, but came back feeling good and with a pocketful of wonderful news. . . . Dick Ramsbotham celebrated his birthday on March 21; Henry Rivet did some birthday celebrating on April 9; and Celia and Hector Beaudreau celebrated their first wedding anniversary on April 14. Congratulations to you all.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

Mrs. Dorothy Albin has left the department. She and her husband are opening Albin's Photo Studio in Uxbridge. We wish you success in your new venture. . . . We welcome three newcomers to the office this month: Josephine Lewcon, who came from the Freight Office, was previously employed at McCarthy's Department Store in Woonsocket, Ann Michna, who worked at Denholm's and Joy Varteresian, from the Employer's Liability Assurance Corp. Ltd., in Worcester are the two new typists. . . . On a rainy day Mr. Nelson is the envy of the office with his new plastic rain trousers. . . .

We now have a celebrity in our midst. Ruth Crothers became famous when she discovered a cat riding in the motor of her new Ford. . . . At this writing the Repair Department Bowling Team is leading the league. Rose Kalonas is entered in the Women's Finals of the Worcester Telegram & Gazette Bowling Tournament. She had a score of 504. She is second high from Whitinsville. . . . Birthday congratulations go to Betty Mombourquette, Joyce Brown, Anna Marie Gleason, and Ray Adams. Also a happy first anniversary to Joyce Brown.

Our Personality of the Month is Raymond Adams. Ray was born in 1897 in Northbridge, Massachusetts. He is well known for his 25 years as an orchestra leader in this locality. From 1916 to 1942 he was associated with three orchestras; Jack Hay's, Adams and Brown, and Silver Rhythm. Ray is still full of rhythm, which is shown by his whistling and humming whenever the music is played in the Shop. He is an active member of the Elks and the Whitinsville Golf Club. He is also a member of that "Famous Hill Billy Foursome" at the Golf Club. . . . Ray has been in the Shop since 1917. He and his wife, Florence B., who worked in the Main Office for 35 years, reside on Forest Street.

DEPARTMENT 411

by Lois Heerdt

New men in our department this month are: R. Boucher, R. Noe, T. Roche, G. McNelly, C. Pratt, O. Racine, and G. Ross. We also welcome Jennie Ebbeling to our department as assistant timekeeper. Jennie formerly worked in Department 427. . . . Helen Burroughs' son recently returned home from Korea.

For the past few weeks we have heard quite a bit of talk about golf. It seems that a few of the fellows have gotten together and organized a golf club which they call "The Good Time Club." The club consists of 12 members: Norman Lightbown, "Peanuts" Johnson, William Mayberry, William

Steele, Emmett Martin, Armand Poulin, Leon Atteridge, Richard Walker, Eugene Massey, William Walsh, Al Morin, and Jim Kane. There are three substitutes: Claude Rogers, Bill Lavallee, and Russell Whiting. On March 5, the club went to the Klondike for supper and held a meeting to decide on the teams. The next day Gene Massey received a book from Bill Walsh, his teammate, on how to shoot under 40. It would probably be a good idea if Bill would study this book himself. You don't shoot 40, Bill, by taking 13 strokes on one hole!

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

About 30 girls from Department 462 attended a farewell party for Florence Pieliski at the Colonial Club in Webster on March 19. A delicious dinner and lively social evening was enjoyed and Florence was presented a gift of money. She has worked for Whitin Machine Works for 12 years, the last six in Statements. Now, with her sister Janet, recently of the drafting room, she is taking up residence in Hartford, Connecticut. Best wishes of the entire Department 462 go with the girls on their new venture.

Payroll Computation welcomes Catherine Ivy Reeves (Mrs. Edward) who leaves the drafting room to join their number. . . . Margaret Crosby of Payroll Computation has a birthday in April. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garcelon celebrate their wedding anniversary this month. Fred is supervisor of statements.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace, Dorsey Devlin, and Gloria Carter

We welcome back Dorsey Devlin who has been out sick for about two and a half weeks. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Norman Jussaume. . . . Dave Picard dropped in to visit us on March 19. Dave has just finished his basic training and is now stationed at Fort Devens. It was nice seeing you around, Dave, drop in again. . . . Paul Devlin was the victim of the meanest bandit we know. Returning home from work recently Paul found that his front door had been broken and his television missing. Paul, who always manages a wisecrack, says he hopes his unwelcome visitor returns and takes his antenna as it is no good on his roof. Rumors are, and we got this from a good source (Gummy), that they found Channel 7 up in Manchaug. Paul said that Channel 7 is rather snowy and he would much rather have found another one.

It seems no matter what a person is—Irish, English, Polish, Russian, or a hundred others as long as they are famous—Julie McMullin claims them as being Irish. St. Patrick's Day was an exciting day for Julie and everyone she talked to was Irish. Bill O'Kearnan, Victor O'Ramasco, and F. O. O'Rizer all came to work with a bit of green

on to make Julie happy. All we ask is next year someone brings in a book of facts to prove in black and white to Julie just what people are and who wrote the great Irish songs. As I said before Julie wants to claim them all.

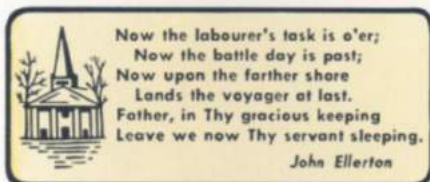
No. 5 Notes: We are glad to welcome back Bill Mulligan and Eugene Pierce. Both boys have been in the service. Arthur Meinville has joined the boys at No. 5. He was previously a time clerk at the Core Room.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and
Cleve Reynolds

Once again we say farewell to one of our co-workers as John Kneeland, our knitting machine expert, leaves to accept employment at Wyman-Gordon in North Grafton. Upon completion of an apprentice course, he will become a die-sinker. A party attended by his many friends was held at the Riverside A.C. on Friday, March 20. Best of luck and success in your new venture, Johnny. . . . Now that Coach Frank Flynn's Bellingham Blackhawks have completed their basketball season in spectacular fashion by capturing the Assumption Class "B" Invitation Tournament, Mary Gibbons, who faithfully supported the team, is now devoting her time to the chairmanship of the Millville Red Cross Drive. She is assisted by Helen Sitnik, also of our department. . . . Paul Drolet, as reported in our last issue, is enjoying his adventures on the Pacific coast according to his latest letter. We are sure he would enjoy letters from his former co-workers—address supplied upon request. . . . Nice to see Florence LeBeau back at work after a period of illness. Several of the ladies in our department attended a farewell party at the Colonial Club for Florence Pieski of the Statements Department.

Birthday Greetings to: Oscar Erickson, Philip Johnson, Roland Farrar.



*Their friends and associates
extend heartfelt sympathy
to the bereaved*

Mr. and Mrs. Eino W. Johnson and family on the death of Mrs. Anna Johnson.

Fred Kollett on the death of his sister and to Joseph Brisson on the death of his father.

Survivors of Patrick F. Dowling, 35, who died suddenly on March 18. He worked in Crib No. 12 on Department 446.

Harold Barnes, Crib No. 16, on the recent death of his father

Francis Canty on the death of his father.

Robert H. Parker, inspector in the Cast Iron Room, on the death of his brother, Warren, on March 21.

Marion Crimmings upon the death of her father.

Jacob Smith on the death of his father, Joseph Smith, who died March 4, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rymeski on the death of their daughter, age nine weeks. Chet is night Foundry supervisor.

Jean Roy and family on the death of their father at the age of 81. Joseph leaves seven sons and three daughters and 49 grandchildren. Six sons work in the Whitin Machine Works—two in the Foundry, three on the Ring Job and one on the Small Packing Job.

Larry Maloney on the death of his brother, Edward.

Joseph V. Beaudin on the death of his son in March.

Horace Dumas, who works on the grinding wheels, on the death of his son, Kenneth, in an automobile accident on March 4, 1953.

Joseph Usher, who is a supervisor on the tables in this department, on the death of his mother, 76, who died on February 27, 1953.

The family of George Baribeault on his death in an automobile accident.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grondine announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Ann T. Grondine to Nunzio Rabuffo.

Henry Belseth, Department 411, engaged to Helen Doble of Linwood.

Frances VonFlatern, Repair Sales Department, engaged to Earl Christopher, Jr., of Uxbridge. He is employed with the Emmott Valley Transportation Company in New Jersey.

Marie Oliver married to Joseph E. Jeffreys, Jr., of California at St. Patrick's Church in Whitinsville, April 11. They will live in the state of California.

Roger LaFrancois married to Madeline DeOme of Plummers, Whitinsville, at St. Patrick's Church on February 14.



To Leslie Benton, Masterlist Department, and Mrs. Benton, a son, Jeffrey Lynn, at the Worcester Memorial Hospital, March 12.

To Wilfred Rivet, Department 411, and Mrs. Rivet, a son, John, March 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krajewski, a daughter, Carol Ann, 7 pounds 1 ounce, born March 14, at the Woonsocket Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loader, a daughter, Carol Ann, born February 21.

To Ira Naroian, assistant foreman of 427, and Mrs. Naroian, a daughter, Beverly Ann, born March 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Bates of New Village, a daughter, Joanne, born on February 28.

To Jerry Mandeville of the Tool Job, and Mrs. Mandeville, a daughter, Celeste, born March 17.

To Alfred Morin of the Tool Job, and Mrs. Morin, a daughter, Donna Patricia, born March 19.

To Leon R. Simmons of the Welding Room, and Mrs. Simmons, a son, David Lee, born February 28.

To Donald White, Department 421, and Mrs. White, a son, Rodney Lee, born at the Whitinsville Hospital on February 21.

To Angus Parker, Jr., Department 446, and Mrs. Parker, a daughter, Linda Mae, born at the Whitinsville Hospital on February 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Drummond, a son, Charles Frederick Drummond, Jr., born March 1 in Memorial Hospital in Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rivet, a son, their first child, James Edward, born March 1 at Whitinsville Hospital. Henry works in the Engineering Department.

To Mr. and Mrs. Al Libby, a daughter, Phyllis Janet, March 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morin (Aileen of Tabulating, Alfred of Department 454), a daughter, Donna Patricia, 7 pounds 4 ounces, on March 19.

To Leo and Margaret Asadoorian, a son, Leo Charles, born February 23, at Whitinsville Hospital.

To Eddie Nedjiliak and Mrs. Nedjiliak on the birth of a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Coffey on the birth of a son, David Michael, at Milford Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore LaMarco on the birth of a daughter, Linda Ann, on February 11. Grace formerly worked at 406.

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