



William Brown, Department 412, has a continuous service date from 1918. He lives in Whitinsville and he is a bachelor. He particularly enjoys fishing and watching baseball



Victor Courteau, Department 411, started with Whitin in 1929. He lives with Mrs. Courteau at 20 North Main Street. They have 2 daughters. Victor is a Red Sox fan



Mrs. Pauline Reynolds, of Payroll Computation, lives on East Street, Whitinsville and has worked at Whitin for five years. Among her hobbies are singing, sewing, and knitting



Frank Gory, Foundry Molder, started at Whitin in 1926. He has a son in Pennsylvania and lives with Mrs. Gory on North Main Street, Whitinsville. He enjoys watching baseball



Elmer Benton, Repair Sales Department, has been a Whitin employee since 1927. He has a son and a daughter and is a past master of the Granite Lodge. His hobby is upholstering



Mrs. Edna L'Esperance, Supervisor in Repair Order Processing, has been with Whitin 16 years. She lives in Linwood and her hobbies are reading, knitting, skiing and swimming



Ralph Roberts, Truck Driver, has been with Whitin since 1920. He lives in Whitinsville with Mrs. Roberts and 17-year-old daughter Joyce. His favorite pastime is cribbage



As each of the components passes down the assembly lines, parts are added to it from conveniently arranged bins. This reduces the amount of time needed to secure a needed part and speeds production. Here Normand Bussiere attaches a collecting tray to a base

DUPLICATORS

ON THE LINE

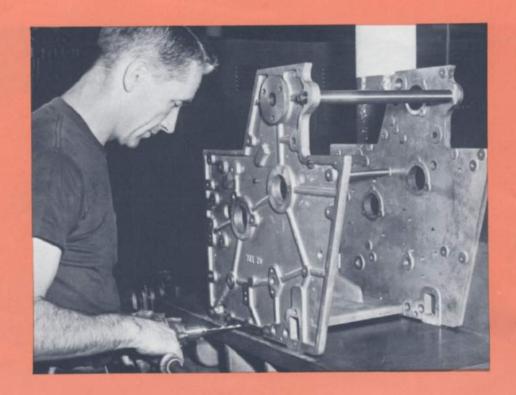
GLEAMING ROWS of trim fawn and green duplicators, in the space formerly occupied by the Small Planer Job, are eloquent testimony that Whitin is now building from interchangeable parts a standardized machine. Whitin craftsmen, drawing on more than a-century-and-a-quarter of experience in manufacturing, have fashioned duplicator parts with such precision that the parts go together easily when they arrive on the erecting floor.

The future looks bright for the Duplicator. It has proved itself to be better than any competing machine on the market. While the exact production figures are not mentioned here, it is no secret that hundreds of Whitin Duplicators have won acceptance by the trade and each week more machines are pouring from Department 488.

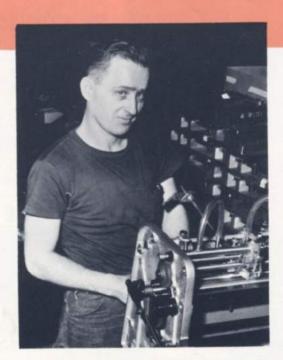
As mentioned in the December issue of the Spindle, this is a success story in which many men, machines, and departments play a part—a story in which wholehearted cooperation with management is the keyword.

Department 488 is headed by Foreman Charles B. Garabedian and the Divisional Superintendent is Ira

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The several components of Whitin Duplicators are put together on parallel assembly lines. Emil Wikiera's job is to line up, drill, and dowel side frames of printer units



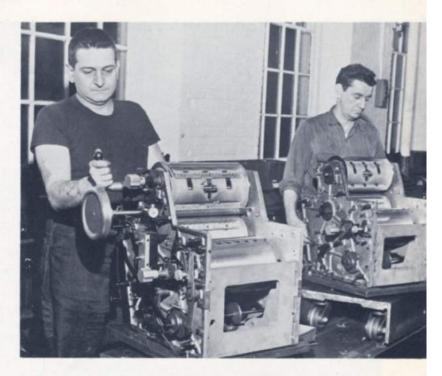
On a third line Francis Miller works on a feeder unit assembly

Maghakian. Ira was thoroughly versed in the mechanics of the duplicator in New York by the machine's inventor, Luis Mestre. Upon his return to the Shop, Ira trained other Whitin employees for key positions in duplicator erecting. This basic group in turn trained others. Most of the men in the present department had never had assembly work and were hired by Whitin for the purpose of being trained for their present jobs. Aside from packers, electricians, inspectors, and painters who were previously skilled, the department required the services of assemblers, men to make standard settings, and testers. The jobs they are now handling so skillfully did not exist before Whitin diversified.

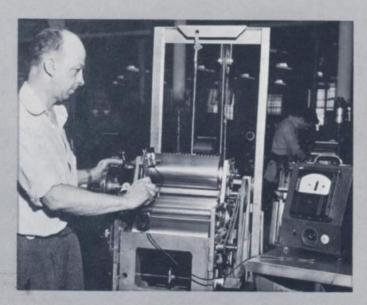
In the department there are three separate assembly lines—one each for feeders, printers, and bases—which flow from east to west and merge in a tieing-in area. Use of assembly lines of this type, though not new at Whitin, can seldom be utilized for textile machinery due to variations in specifications.

In the tieing-in area, feeder and printer are lined up and bolted to the base on spring mountings, and other components added. The completed machine is moved to a testing and adjusting area where standard settings are made. Following an eight-hour running-in period, another workman makes a complete check of settings. After assembly and inspection on the lines, the parts are brought together in a tieing-in area. Inspector Robert Tellier, and Joseph Knapik place a printer unit on a base





On the printer unit line the components move from work station to work station on swiveled tables mounted on dollies which travel on tracks



A combination of precision workmanship and careful inspection insures that the machines will give satisfaction to the user. Leo Menard, Supervisor of Inspection in this department, checks a printer cylinder for run out

Added eye-appeal is given the Duplicators through the use of a baked hammer-tone metallic finish, fawn for Photostat and green for American Type Founders. In an area known as 488A Rudolphe Roberge spray paints a base with Egyptian lacquer





After standard settings are made and after a running-in period, each machine undergoes rigorous tests for function and register. From the left, Roger Berthelette, Arthur Dupre, Roger Fafard, and Raymond Boucher test machines. After thorough cleaning and the addition of covers, the Duplicators will be ready for packing

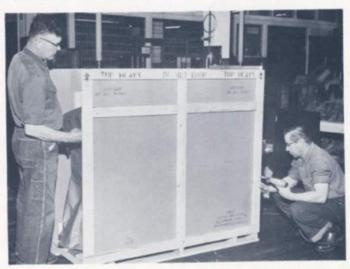
DUPLICATORS (continued)

Printing tests for function and register follow before the machine is thoroughly cleaned, the covers placed, and the machine packed for shipment. With it may go extra attachments, such as pile deliveries or chain deliveries, assembled in the same area. Models DA and DAP are shipped to Gestetner, Canada; DB and DBP to American Type Founders; DF and DFP to the Photostat Corporation.

Designed primarily as an office machine, the completed duplicator, with covers by the famous stylist Raymond Loewy, has a lot of eye appeal in addition to its outstanding performance.

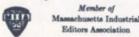
Foreman Charles B. Garabedian, of 129 Church Street, has been a Whitin employee since 1947. Working with him are a supervisor, a supervisor inspector, twenty-three men carrying Department 488 numbers, three inspectors, three Production Department employees, two electricians, a painter, and two packers.

Their teamwork results in a final product fit to uphold the Whitin reputation for master workmanship. Sold only through firms with established reputations, the Whitin Duplicator has made for itself a place in a highly competitive market.



Packers Alyre Labrecque, left, and Lucien Jacques pack a machine for shipment. The machines are secured to a base of oak by lag screws, and sides and top protected by a tight crate of wood and composition board. When unpacked, the machines are ready for use without further adjustment

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HAND SHOVELS

For how long could a contractor whose men worked with hand shovels compete against the firm that used power shovels?

This may seem to be a foolish question; the hand shovels could not compete at all.

Yet a good many people are in the position of recommending a "hand shovel" kind of industrial system—because they refuse to see the urgent need for savings, for investment funds, for adequate plowback profits, which would go to buy new and better tools of production—symbolized by the power shovel.

Government leaders who shape tax policy to discourage savings and investment do workers no favor. For investment in better production is the real reason for better wages.

FRONT COVER: Whitin Duplicators, standardized machines assembled from interchangeable parts by assembly line techniques, are examined by Foreman Charles B. Garabedian, right, and Supervisor Robert Croteau, left.



Whitin Personality

LIKE most natives of the state of Maine, Earl E. Hammond, Foreman of Internal Transportation, qualifies as a jack-of-all-trades, for his interests include gardening, landscaping, carpentry, and stonemasonry. By reason of these skills he was able to do almost all the work of building his house on Highland Street, Whitinsville, from clearing the land and digging the cellar hole to doing the framing and finish carpentry. Now in his mature years he is attempting to teach some of his friends the rudiments of trout fishing.

Earl was born June 23, 1898, in Monson, near Moosehead Lake, in the slate quarry region of Maine. After attending Maine schools, at the age of seventeen he learned from relatives of job opportunities in Whitinsville. He began work here November 5, 1915.

He left Whitinsville only to serve in the U. S. Navy for a two year period during World War I. For twenty months of his service he sailed on minesweepers out of Lorient. Upon his discharge, he returned to Whitin and on April 17, 1920, married Miss Agnes Dobson of Central Falls, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond now have two sons, two daughters, and eight grandsons.

At Whitin he has served in many capacities. After working in Department 411 for a decade, he was for fifteen years a time study engineer. He later returned to Department 411 as a supervisor for two years. During World War II he was a supervisor on the manufacturing of G.E. generators, and later he was a supervisor of the Magneto Job. After a year as Foreman of Department 414, he was for four and a half years Night Superintendent. He became Foreman of Department 407 in 1951.

Even when not at work in the Plant or around the house, Earl is busy, for he is active in the Methodist Church, is a member of Solomon's Temple Lodge AF & AM, and is a past commander of Jeffrey L. Vail Post 111, American Legion.

Earl is still fond of sports. He formerly was interested in rabbit hunting, is an ardent trout fisherman, and is firmly convinced that "They played better baseball in the old Blackstone Valley League than is played today by the Red Sox."



Soorp Asdvadsin Armenian Apostolic Church, built of brick along modified Byzantine lines, was erected over a period of three years at a cost of \$100,000. It was consecrated on November 24, 1957

Armenian Apostolic Church Consecrated

An estimated one thousand persons, including visitors from the Armenian communities of Boston, Providence, Milford, Franklin, Watertown, and Worcester, crowded the building during the ancient rites of consecration



To the 135 members of the Whitinsville Armenian Apostolic congregation, November 24, 1957 was the culmination of more than a half century of planning. On that day, their \$100,000 modified Byzantine church building was consecrated in rites dating back to the earliest days of Christianity. Jurisdiction over this church, as that of other churches of the Armenian Apostolic Diocese in this country, has been accepted by the Antilas Catholicate.

More than a thousand persons attended the rites in which the ancient liturgy was chanted by a full retinue of priests. The presiding consecrator was His Excellency, Archbishop Khoren Paroyian, Prelate of the Beirut See, Lebanon, and official nuncio of His Holiness, Catholicos Zareh I of Cilicia.

The rites of consecration took place during the religious service from 9:30 to 12:30. Assisting the Archbishop were the Reverend Nishan Papazian of Providence, the Reverend Khachadoor Giragosian of New York, and the Reverend Moses Shrikian of Worcester. Among those observing the ceremonies were visitors from the Armenian communities of Boston, Providence, Milford, Franklin, Watertown, and Worcester.

The new church was consecrated as Soorp Asdvadsin Church—after the ancient church of the same name which once flourished in the Armenian community of Pazmashen.

The building of the new church has double significance for the local members of the Armenian Apostolic denomination. First, they will be able to hear a Mass celebrated in Armenian as well as in English. Secondly, acceptance of jurisdiction by the Antilas Catholicate places the Armenian churches of the area under the spiritual leadership of a catholicate outside the Iron Curtain. In commenting on these developments, Archbishop Paroyian said that he was proud of the Armenian people in this locality who had taken these steps.

The new brick structure on Church Street has been built over the past three years almost solely and through the efforts of the local congregation, and without resorting to mortgage financing.

Following the consecration rites, the trustees of the church, who had also served as a building committee, held a special dinner at the Uxbridge Inn for the Archbishop and his retinue. These trustees were John Moscofian, Eli Mooradian, Michael DerKosrofian, Alice DerTorosian, and Thomas Altoonian. Among the invited guests were President J. Hugh Bolton, Frank N. Stone, Cedric Andrews, Peter Koopman, and Peter Hackett.



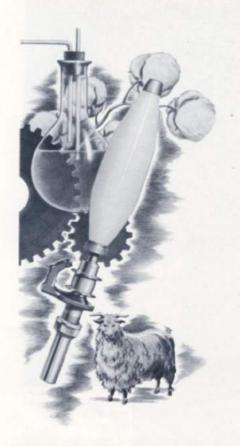
His train held by the Reverend Khachadoor Giragosian, Archbishop Khoren Paroyian delivers his sermon during the High Mass



The music was provided by the choir of the Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church of Worcester



Archbishop Paroyian gives communion to Mrs. Takouhi Simonian



Whenever Man

Turns Fibers into Yarn

a wide variety of highly specialized machinery is required to accomplish this complicated process. For generations, Whitin has been engaged in supplying these machines to textile mills in all parts of the world. The position of leadership in this field that Whitin reached over a century ago and maintains today is based on its policy of "Progress Through Research." Today, Whitin manufactures a complete line of preparatory machinery for processing practically all fibers, both natural and synthetic.

This month and in succeeding months, we consider the steps by which fibers, as delivered at the mills, become yarn through the use of machines manufactured by the Whitin Machine Works.

CHAPTER I.....

FROM BALE TO LAP



You will recall in the story of Cinderella how she was transformed from a kitchen drudge to a beautiful princess with the wave of a magic wand. While Whitin does not use magic wands in building its textile machinery, the change which takes place in the processing of raw fibers into finished yarns is a magical transformation.

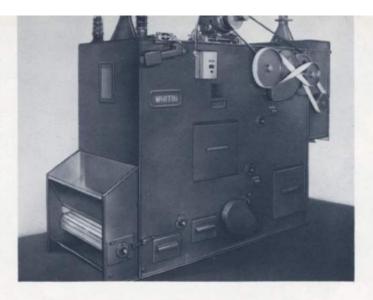
There are two points to be remembered as we unfold our story. First, we custom build dozens of kinds, types, and variations of machines for use on practically any fiber of commercial importance. Secondly, while some Whitin machines are designed to handle only a specific fiber, others have greater versatility and can be used on several types of fibers ranging from asbestos to the latest synthetics.

For historical reasons let us start with cotton, the fiber for which more than a century-and-a-quarter ago John C. Whitin invented his first Picker. With the

For ease in shipment, at the gin cotton is compressed into bales. Pictured is a bale of cotton weighing from four to five hundred pounds which is the way a mill would receive its cotton. It is our job to manufacture the machines which transform these fibers into high grade yarns

development of this Picker, Whitin assumed a position of leadership in the textile industry. As seems only natural, opening and picking equipment has always been one of the phases of fiber processing that has received a good deal of attention at Whitin. Our opening and cleaning machines today are widely used throughout the world. The individual units can be arranged in a number of different ways to accomplish specific purposes.

Cotton as it comes from the gin to the mill is a far cry from the fabricated cotton you wear. A bale of cotton is a metal-bound, burlap-covered package weighing from four to five hundred pounds. The baled cotton, especially when mechanically picked, contains from one



This Axi-Feed Blender is the first machine in the opening line, and is designed to blend cotton from several bales and to remove a portion of the dirt

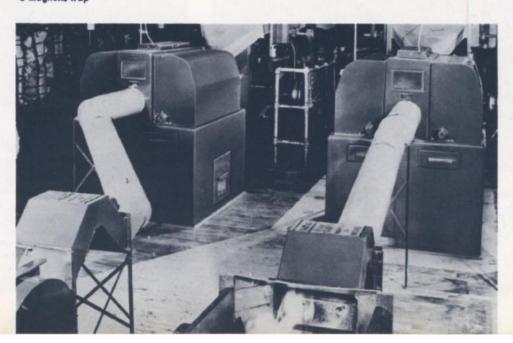


Above: This is a rear view of three blenders showing the Axi-Feed units whose main functions are to further open and clean the cotton. Also pictured is a Mixing Feed Table which makes possible the controlled blending of fibers from several feeders. The table carries the fibers to a magnetic trap

per cent to seventeen per cent trash in the form of motes, short fibers, burrs, leaves, grass, stems, dust, boll fragments, and dirt. The great pressure used in baling has wadded this waste material together with the good cotton so that preparing it for further processing is a problem.

Several operations must be performed on these fibers at the same time and under exact control. The contents of several bales must be blended to secure a uniform mixture, for bales of cotton sold as the same grade vary somewhat in length of staple and color. (In some cases it may be desirable to blend this mixture with a controlled percentage of fibers of another type, as, for example, rayon.) The cotton must be loosened and separated into small tufts or bunches without damaging the fibers. The unwanted trash must be removed without losing any great amount of good fiber. To prepare the cotton for the next stage in manufacturing, the tufts must first be formed into uniform layers rolled

The humped devices in the foreground are magnetic traps where powerful magnets remove such metal objects as stray nails, washers, etc. From there the fibers pass through a pipe conveyor to the Axi-Flo, a modern machine designed to complement the Axi-Feed Blenders. A mill installation is shown of two Axi-Flo units; each is fed by a line of four Axi-Feed Blenders





This high-speed photograph of the interior of an Axi-Flo shows tufts of cotton in the process of being opened and cleaned

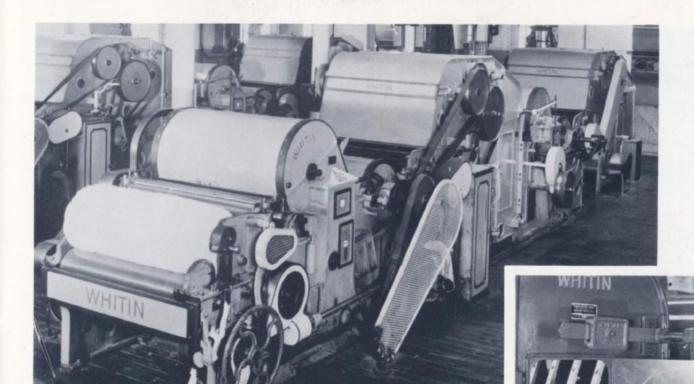


This is a mill photograph of the actual droppings in the cleanout chamber of an Axi-Fio, showing the type of trash which is removed from the usable fibers. The trash contains almost no usable fiber. The fibers shown are immature ones known as motes

FROM BALE TO LAP (continued)

Pictured is a huge mound of trash as it was removed from a Whitin Axi-Flo at Gold-Tex Fabrics Corporation, Rock Hill, South Carolina. When the trash was removed the machine had been in operation only four hours





Above: The Picker reduces the size of the cotton tufts in a further opening operation and then forms the fibers into a rolled layer known as a lap. In this form it is ready for the next machine, the Card. Right: This is how the cotton looks when it arrives in the hopper of the Picker after passing through the previous machines

into laps, which are about 18 inches in diameter and 40 inches wide. These layers in the laps must be of even thickness and have the same weight yard for yard within close tolerances. The cotton in the lap, in shape and form, resembles the absorbent cotton sold in drugstores.

The first machines would normally be a line of Whitin Axi-Feed Blenders. Here the cotton in the hopper is tossed and blended as slats covered with long pins pull tufts of cotton from the tumbling wads. These tufts pass over a grate-like assembly known as grid bars which are accurately spaced yet adjustable. Some of the dust and trash falls between the bars into a cleanout chamber below.

The partially cleaned tufts of cotton are discharged through the Axi-Feed and fall onto a conveyor belt known as a Mixing Feed Table. This conveyor makes it possible to mix the material from a number of Axi-Feed Blenders, thus further promoting blending.

Carried by air currents, the cotton is whisked over magnets (to trap any stray metallic objects such as nails, washers, etc.) into the end of an Axi-Flo where two cylinders with rod-like fingers buffet the cotton over grid bars set above a trash collection chamber. A great proportion of the dirt and trash is removed at this point.

The lower grades of cotton, which contain more dirt, are usually passed through one or more additional machines such as the Whitin Buckley Cleaner.

The cotton is blown through pipes from the last opening and cleaning machine to the One-Process Picker. The Picker in its modern form consists of a hopper into which the tufts of cotton are dropped, followed by two or three beaters which knock out the dirt. A delicate finger mechanism is used to control the flow of cotton so that the finished lap has approximately the same weight in every yard.

At the end of the Picker the processed lap is formed into rolls about 18" in diameter and 40" wide. The cotton is now ready for the next machine, the Card.



KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Marcel Turgeon

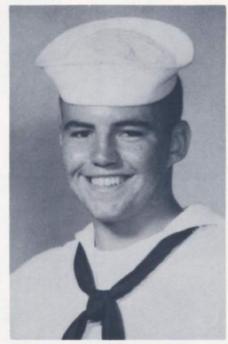
Robert H. Fourgere, who is now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., was born in Douglas, February 2, 1935. He attended the local schools. After graduation from high school he worked for Muradian cleaners, and then came to W.M.W. as a clerk on the Packing Job. Bob, who was a member of the 453 softball team, also played tournament table tennis for the Community Gym. He likes to hunt and fish. James Rice will miss his left field man this spring.

Bill Morrissette, Jr., got his limit of pheasants on opening day of hunting season. . . . Congratulations to Rene V. Picard upon receiving his 10-year pin. . . . Celebrating birthdays this month are James Rice, Mary Hayward, and Rita Turcotte. Rita Turcotte is also celebrating her wedding anniversary the same day as her birthday. . . . Others observing wedding anniversaries are Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dunn, and Mr. and Mrs. Alton White. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Sheehan and family spent Christmas with Ed's folks in Miami, Florida. . . . Nancy Britten is sporting a nice suntan after enjoying her trip to Florida. . . . Russell Braman went to Florida and to Havana, Cuba, for a few days. . . . The office Christmas party was held at the Uxbridge Inn. All reported a wonderful time.

CUTTING-OFF JOB

by June Boisvert and Irene Mombourquette

Many happy returns of the day go to a nice couple. Ernest and Irene Lemire recently celebrated their twenty-second anniversary. . . . Birthday greetings for December go to Jerry Lemire and Henry Charron. . . . Wedding bells are in the offing. June Boisvert is happily sporting a new diamond ring. She became engaged to Norman Belval of Linwood on Thanksgiving Day. We are all wondering who will beat whom to the altar, what with Janet Harding wearing a pin. . trust everyone who attended the B.C.-Holy Cross football game enjoyed it, kept comfortably warm and dry, and saw the finish the way Emile Aussant did. . . . The Oliver Ashton Post No. 343 of Northbridge held their annual children's Christmas party on December 22. Gifts were distributed and a good time was had by all, . . . The Christmas spirit was kept here at 410 by having a well-trimmed Christmas tree and decorated office. We exchanged gifts and had a "grab-bag" for all. . . . The people here are calorie conscious. There are weight charts and periodic weighing. They are really getting in the trim. . . . Boys, here's a tip. Practice up on your golfing. Santa brought Jerry a new set of clubs and he's doing plenty of practicing. Florida may get him yet.



Charles Baird, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Baird, is home on leave from Great Lakes Medical School, U.S.N.

. . . We hope everyone enjoyed a very merry Christmas and all have remembered to make their New Year resolutions. . . . A happy and prosperous New Year to all.

TIN SHOP, PAINT AND CREEL JOBS

by Dorsey Devlin and Pete Paddock

Albert Grillo of the Creel Job is our first shift personality for this month. Al was born in Milford, attended the public schools in that town, and later graduated from Worcester Trade School. He is married









Four Whitin employees retired during recent weeks. Paul Chilpiyian of the Blue Eagle Inn, Whitinsville, retired on November 27. He was a trucker in Department 423. Francis Turner, Sr., of 59 Douglas Road, Uxbridge, of outside maintenance, also retired on November 27. On November 30, Arthur Haagsma of 51 North Main Street, Whitinsville, a lathe hand in Department 424, retired. A fitter in Department 445, Charles Harriman of 15 Fletcher Street, Whitinsville, retired on December 6, 1957





An idea does not have to be complicated to win a suggestion award. Adelard Boulanger, automatic machine hand, received \$338 for suggesting the use of a new type of gauge. Realizing that it would be faster to cut rubber tubing by machine rather than by hand brought \$152 to Alphonse Dion, leather worker

to the former Elinor Swanson. They live in their recently purchased home in Upton with their five-year old daughter Eileen. He is a World War II veteran who served in the Navy aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Tarawa. Al is a four-season sports fan and lists the Red Sox and Celtics as his favorite teams. His wife is a lucky person as Al is a handy man around the house.

The work slowdown has caused more changes in the Tin Shop, namely: Lucien Gilbeault to the Iron Workers, John Straube to Department 410 and Don Johnston laid off. The above named were all second shift personnel. John DeBoer and John Kapolka are welcomed to the second shift from days. . . . Beverly Paddock, daughter of the night shift reporter on this column, won the award as top actress in the Uxbridge High sophomore play, "Hanging Uncle Henry."

The annual Tin Shop Christmas party was held on December 19 at the Bocce Club in Woonsocket. Sixteen members and their wives enjoyed a wonderful meal after which Lucien "Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa Claus" Paulhus distributed the gifts much to the enjoyment of the fair sex. . . . Bobby Campo, committee member for this year, who has done a commendable job, was replaced by John Rumonoski. . . . The scarcity of work has shown a marked slowdown in news for this column, so therefore the reporters ask a little more cooperation from the members of the departments involved so as to bring this column back to near par. . . . Edward Nelson and John Rumonoski were recently presented with 10year service pins.

STEEL FABRICATION

by F. Milton Crossland

I'm sure everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. We express our appreciation to those who were responsible for establishing the new lounge area in the Arcade Division. It is a welcome addition and will brighten up the place. . . The new reporter, with some assistance from others in the department, is yours truly. You make the news and I will report it. . . . Birthday greetings for January go to Foreman Pat DeBellis, Ovila St. Germain who makes his home in Providence,



Al Grillo, Creel Job personality, served aboard the carrier U.S.S. Tarawa during World War II

Rhode Island, Richard Flinton, Frank J. Zayone and Armand Beauchemin, internal trucker.

Department 432's personality of the month is Henry "Fire Chief" Deslauriers. He was born in Linwood, Mass. on June 24, 1917. Henry now makes his home in Woonsocket, R. I. Henry's parents are Oliver and Clara Deslauriers, and both still live. Henry graduated from Woonsocket schools where he was active in all the sports. He married the former Irene Mary Rivers on November 28, 1935, in Our Lady of Victories Church. Henry has a very nice family consisting of four boys and one daughter: Raymond, age 20; Henry, Jr., age 18; Ronald, age 14; Carol, age 12; and Donald, age 7. The oldest son works in Department 423. Henry is very much interested in baseball, football, and wrestling. He drives a Pontiac. He started working for W.M.W. on December 5, 1950. He has worked in Departments 412 and 423 besides our department. Henry is a very jovial person who always has a smile.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING, AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Last month we omitted the usual list of birthdays and wedding anniversaries. We'll try to make up for it by printing them at this time. Wedding anniversaries in November were observed by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Feen, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Rapisardi Bosco, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barnett, and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Iannitelli. During the same month birthdays



At the annual meeting of the Whitin service men, Burt Robie, center, makes a last minute check on an electrical control system demonstration board. From the left are pictured Fred Willis, Tim Hourihan, Burt Robie, Bill Langlois, and Bill Dunleavy. The meeting was held December 9 through 12

were celebrated by David J. Picard, Sr., William Beaudoin, and Alec MacFarland. . . . In December wedding anniversaries came for the following men and their wives: Alfred Nolet, Ken Proctor, Bob Williams, and Tom McCallum. The last month of the year brought birthdays to Clinton White, Manuel Oliver, Armand Henault, and Kenneth Proctor. . . . Ward Guyles and Manuel Oliver are due to receive their 10-year pins in January. I hope to print a brief biography of each of them next month, provided they are willing. . . . We feel that the Christmas season, now past, indicated that all the local people who have done so much to make Whitinsville "the shopping center of the valley" deserve a great deal of praise. Among these persons are the members of the local Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, the Auxiliary Police, and of course, the Police Department who handled traffic so well.

RING JOB

by Robert Balcome and Joe Witek

We think New Hampshire should do something for Bud Frieswyk. For two years, he has had a New Hampshire hunting license with nothing to show for it and with us waiting for a chunk of venison each year. . . To say au revoir to those who have left our department and been transferred would take up considerable space, but we do wish them the best of luck in their new locations. . . . A belated congratulation to Harry and Mrs. Bailey who recently celebrated forty years of marriage. . . . Bob Balcome came to work with the left side of his car stove-in after being in a little tussle in Douglas recently.

TOP ROLL

by George H. Bond

Let's start off the column by offering congratulations to Sara Dersarkisian on receiving her 15-year pin recently from Mr. Donald Sangster. . . . Our other big headline is the retirement on November 27 of Israel Ovian after 45 years of service at Whitin Machine Works. Although he worked at Department 425 only a short time, everyone respected and liked Jimmie and felt sorry to see him depart. Hope he enjoys his retirement and remembers to stop by and see us occasionally. . . . Tony Lima is still trying to explain what happened to Pascoag's new fire engine at



This is not a lynching party, but is Joe Witek, Department 437, with his 110-pound deer

a recent fire. Seems no one knows how to pull the pump lever except him (so he says). Do they carry buckets on the truck when Tony isn't around? . . . We welcome back Rose Gigarjian and Agnes Cawley to our overarm section, and Joe Bouthillette, Roger Goulet and Albert Noel to our machining section. . . Frances Kenney has her father in the Whitinsville Hospital; Esther Stewart, her mother in the Woonsocket Hospital; and George Bond, his father in the Newport, R. I., Hospital. Let's hope for a quick recovery for all of them.

OFFSET SMALL PARTS AND SUB-ASSEMBLIES

by Marcia Sanderson

The night of December 7 saw big doings for those who work in 422. This was the night which everyone had looked forward to for a year—the night of our party—and no one was disappointed. The party was a big success. Our thanks to Dorica Thompson who collected the money and saw that there was a meal for everyone.

Department 422 inspection has added a little cheer to their corner by putting up a Christmas tree. It isn't very big but it spreads cheer throughout the department.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Eugene Thomas, our 73-year young fellow, was injured in an auto accident in Upton. Fortunately his injuries were not serious and as soon as his arm mends he'll be back with us. . . . We all send Al Majeau our wishes for a quick recovery from his illness. . . Bernie Gately returned to work after a few weeks out. We were all glad to see him. . . . Bolster Job has been a stopping-off place for two Whitin advanced apprentices who are learning about our products from the ground up. They are John Golder and Bill Reid. . . . Al Girouard's oldest son, who graduated from high school with high grades, is taking his entrance exam for Northeastern University in January. . Walter Fierly tells us his son is quite active and Walt has a tough time keeping up with him, Walt's son is busy bowling, ice skating, playing basketball, and taking accordion lessons. I wonder if Walt accompanies on his violin? . . . For those who remember the former Harriet Malkasian, she sends greetings to all from her home in Michigan. . . . We also received a Christmas card from Brother Gabriel, better known as Lefty Brochu, from St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Mass. . . Bob Cochrane had an unfortunate experience in his Ford station wagon. A piston drove clear through the motor. Fortunately no one was injured.



Away back in February, 1922, this cast presented the play Quincy Adams Sawyer in the Prospect Theater on two nights for the Grange. From the left: first row—Florence Martin, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Aldrich, Miss Tanner, Mrs. Burnette, Miss Ward, and Mrs. Browning; second row—George Hanna, Mrs. J. Welch, William Carrick, Mrs. Chester Lamb, Charles Paine, Lilly Bogie, Jack O'Brien, Mrs. Charles Paine, William Donlon, Doris Aldrich, Arthur Ashworth, Mr. Quinn, Mrs. Benjamin Quinn, Samuel Brown, Dorothy Aldrich, Raymon Meader, Mr. Burnette, Chester Lamb, and George Gill; third row—Arthur Marshall, Mr. Green, George Williams, David Smith, and James Smith

MILLWRIGHTS, PLANT LAYOUT, AND INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION

by Ernest R. Henry, Jr.

A Christmas party was held in the Plant Layout Section in December. A chicken dinner catered by Mrs. Walker was the main feature. . . . Department 458 boasts of two cross-country travelers who spent their vacations enjoying the scenery across country to California. Mr. William Barber, Foreman, travelled from Northbridge to San Francisco, California in his 1954 "98" Oldsmobile with his wife and daughter. Mr. Barber travelled the north-ern route to California, taking one week to cover the trip down. After spending two weeks in California, Mr. Barber and family returned to Northbridge by way of the southern route. Mr. Ernest Henry, Jr., also travelled by way of auto to California, only to Long Beach to attend his brother's wedding. He made the trip in a 1954 Oldsmobile "98" also. Travelling with Mr. Henry was his mother, sister, and brother. Mr. Henry took six days to get to Long Beach by way of the southern route. After spending three days in California, he headed for home via the northern route and travelled 3400 miles in four days, covering 6600 miles in ten days of travelling time. After the completion of both trips, it was the agreement that the journey was well worth the long ride. The only repairs needed during the trip was one flat tire and new brushes on Mr. Henry's car.

The new cars in Department 458 are both Buicks. Mr. Willie Charrette is the proud owner of a 1955 Century and Mr. Ernest Henry, Jr. is the proud owner of a new 1957 Century. Both agree that Buick is the car to own. . . . Mr. Howard Dunford and family are the proud owners of a new split-level home on Fletcher Street in

Whitinsville. . . . Mr. Earl Hammond, Foreman of Internal Transportation, claims that his real hobby is trying to teach the rudiments of trout fishing to Leo Palmari, Necco Brown and Bernie Shaw. . . The hunting season left all the hunters from these sections a feeling of emptiness when they returned each time without the game they sought. Maybe next year, boys. . . . We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Recently Fred Crockett got up before daybreak as he always does and went across the road to the barn to do his chores. The morning was a lot darker than most mornings and Fred passed the barn and was out in a field where he was completely lost. The chores were a little late that morning. . . . Coming out of the parking



George Henderson, son of Herbert Henderson of Department 454, is a gunner aboard the U.S.S. McCaffey. As a sailor, George has crossed the equator and has visited Spain, Italy, India, and Turkey

lot one afternoon George Dumas of the Paint Job and Herbert Henderson of the Tool Job tried to hurry William O'Connell of the Tool Job by blowing their horns at him. Instead of hurrying, Bill, who was in the gateway, got out and started to polish his car. . . . Robert Nydam, apprentice, bought a new 1957 car in September and has already had two new motors installed. . . . Kenneth Guertin, repairman, has a Tool Job team entered in the Whitin gym volleyball league. At the present time they are holding the cellar position but he is not fooling around. He has his team taking lessons from the Woonsocket YMCA coach whose team just won a volleyball tournament in New York City.

Phillip Ferraro, tool job night shift, and Mrs. Ferraro celebrated their sixteenth wedding anniversary on November 22.

. . . Charles Resan and Robert Couture took their final week's vacation hunting deer. Charlie says that he saw two and shot none. Bob wounded one but by the time he got to where it dropped someone else had claimed it. . . . Has anyone seen Eugene Tatro on the new toll road? Gene claims that he has a part time job in one of the toll houses. . . Fred Gammon, Small Tools, expects to move into his new house on Providence Road in February.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Marcel Pouliot

We are all glad to see Lucy Ross back on the job. Lucy was out sick for a few weeks, and we are all happy to see her feeling better for the holiday season. . . . Best wishes to Paul Chilpiyian who has retired. Paul has been with the company for 18 years. He was presented with a number of gifts before he left. . . . The annual Christmas party was held at the



Gregory Peter, sixteen-month-old grandson of Charles DerSarkisian, is the apple of his grandparents' eyes. Charles has worked in Department 409 for 48 years

Club Embassy in Woonsocket, December 12. Gifts were presented to the foreman and assistant foreman. The dinner was excellent and a good time was had by all. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Ovide Rajotte and Charles Tykes.

We would like to wish everyone a happy New Year.

GEAR JOB

by Stan Frodyma

We certainly are glad to see Leo Maguire and John Meagher back with us after two weeks' battle with the influenza bug. . . Bernice Kroll was also out with a bruised elbow and side. She fell while trying to repair a closet. . . Michael Ezzo, Jr., after four years of marriage, has bought his wife a Westinghouse electric frying pan for Christmas. Alphonse Marceau, one of the best known male dressers, has gone out again and bought himself another new charcoal gray suit from a clothing shop in Worcester. . . . December anniversary greetings go to Grace Williams, Frank Dawicki and Fred Erickson. . Birthday wishes to Alex Jongsma, Ray Wood, Aime Brochu, Clarence Gregory, Francis Riley and Francis Jackson. . . . Bernice Kroll and Peter Berthelette received their 15-year pins in December from Jacob DeJong. . . . Leo "Pop" Laverdiere and his family visited his sister-in-law in New York over the week end and were very sorry to say goodbye. . Exactly fifty-two persons have celebrated Christmas by having a Christmas party and dance at the Klondike, on the evening of December 14. Our thanks go to "Pop" our chairman. Once again we all had a successful time. . . . The two new men in our department are Peter Berthelette (days) and Peter Belba (nights). . . Drive carefully over the holidays. Have a wonderful time.

LINWOOD DIVISION

by Louise Sohigian and Wilbur Baird

Department 451: We are very happy to welcome back Adeline Montgomery, who was out on sick leave.

Department 450: Anthony Campo and Roland Guertin have been transferred to Department 426. Edward Jones has gone to Department 411. Good luck on your new jobs, fellows. This leaves six men in Department 450, so news will be scarce from now on.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

The holidays being over, we hope everyone enjoyed a happy holiday season and that the New Year is a successful one. The Wood Pattern Job held their second annual Christmas party on Friday, December 13, at Vern's in Manchaug. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all. To those who did not attend, we hope they are available next year to participate in the festivities. . . . Everyone has been so busy preparing for the holidays and recuperating from them that news seem to be at a minimum, so we'll just say happy birthday to David Richardson and happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Fenner. Incidentally, Joe and his wife have moved to Providence Road, Northbridge. We hope they like their change of location.

MILLING JOB

by Harry Ludvigson

The Beverly Club at Bellingham was the scene of a Christmas party attended



Ernest James Kooistra, age three-and-one-half months, is the son of Ernest Kooistra of Department 454



Paul is the seven-month old son of Albert A. Lucier of Millville. Albert is an apprentice training in Department 435

by about twenty-five employees of the Inspection Department and relatives and friends. A dinner of chicken and lobster was served and, judging from the comments heard around the job, similar parties will be held in the future.

Predictions for 1958—January—George McKee will ask Raymond Dion the location of a certain fixture in the crib and Ray will have forgotten the bin number. February-Jim Darcy will finally come out a winner at the noon-hour rummy game at the Blue Eagle. March-Albert Topjian will be one of the marchers in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Boston. April-Aime Aussant will decide to be a Red Sox fan. and Ben Briere will switch to the Yankees. May-Pete Nash will celebrate his last birthday as a bachelor. June-Russell Palmer will mow his lawn for the first time with his new power mower and it will run out of gasoline. July-Joseph Popek will refuse to take a vacation. August-Carl Mattson, our first piece inspector, still tired from his vacation trip, will pass a machined part with a .002 taper. September-The Red Sox will win the American League pennant by eight games. October—Ted Williams will finally win and get the M.V.P. award. November—Ernest Mason will drive his new car to work in a snowstorm. December-John Ashton will go deer hunting for the first time and will later invite anyone to see the bearskin rug in front of his fireplace. Whether all or any of these predictions come to pass, your writer wishes everyone a happy and prosperous New Year. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Valmore Dube will observe their eighteenth wedding anniversary on January 27. . . . At this writing, Edward Murray is at St. Vincent Hospital recuperating from surgery performed on Monday, December 9. We all wish him well and hope he will recover quickly and be able to spend the holidays at home and be back at work with us very soon. . . . Service pins were presented to the following employees last month: Theodore Morel for fifteen years; Albert Mascinica, Rosario Vermette, Lawrence Southwick, Joseph Rock, Francis Bigbe, Martin Tancrell, Chester Roaf, and Edward Bell for ten years.

COMBER JOB

by Terry Merolli

Christmas, at this writing, is drawing near, our tree is decorated and plans are being made for our party with Hector Chase as Santa. There will be cakes and candy and presents too. . . . Charlie Harriman and Arthur Haagsma retired during the month. Arthur brought all of us some of his delicious almond cookies and the Benefit Club presented both employees with a check as a parting gift. We wish them both many years of health and happiness. . . . Birthday greetings go to Dick Felson of 445. . . . We're glad to see Harry Magowan of Inspection back from the hospital. Harry was one of the many flu victims. . . . John Hoyle has been transferred to Department 422. We wish him good luck on his new job and we certainly miss his good humor. . . . During the month, William Ryan was presented with his 10-year pin by Mr. DeJong.

BOX JOB

by Alice Travaille

After twenty years of faithful service, Henry Such's 1937 Chevrolet is going into semi-retirement. Perhaps it will be more active because Henry's son will be making a hot rod out of it... We were sorry to lose Tony Atanian by lay-off and John Wojcik and Lester Wilcox by transfer to 432. We hope conditions will improve so that we can have them back with us... Birthday greetings for January go to Paul Grenon and to me. Maybe nobody would mind if we discontinued this feature? ... Anyone having a recipe for pigeon pie should give it



Christine Ann Houle, age five years, is the niece of Eva Labrecque of the Flyer Job



Ann and Peggy, children of William Blizard, are the granddaughters of Al Blizard of Department 450

to Paul Roy because he's planning a massacre of the birds that invade his back yard. Recently a kindhearted woman fed them with the left-over popcorn from the Prospect Theater, and Paul, who lives right behind the theater, suffered the after-effects.

PICKERS, WINDERS AND SYNTHETIC SMALL PARTS

by Roger J. Brissette

The holidays have come and gone, and 1957 has slipped into history. . . . John Stanovitch was not subbing for Santa at a Worcester store, despite all rumors to the contrary. . . . While deer hunting, George Wheeler shot a large red fox. . . Does anyone know what happened to Johnny Walker's fancy hat? Wearing it gave him that nonchalant look. . . . Roy Smith, erector apprentice from the South, is now going steady with a 1957 Ford and is quite taken with her. . . . Troy Smith, our other southern lad, was sent to Canada a short time ago. He felt that the scenery and people are nice but that the climate is strictly for the Eskimos. . . . Mike Swiscz has returned to work after a threeweek bout with flu and pneumonia. . . . Frank Magowan has returned after a second major operation. . . . Mrs. Leo Blanchet, who must be a better card player than her husband, returned from a whist party with the first prize and two other prizes.

FLYER JOB AND INSPECTION OFFICE

by Bernard Roddy and Lorna Abramek

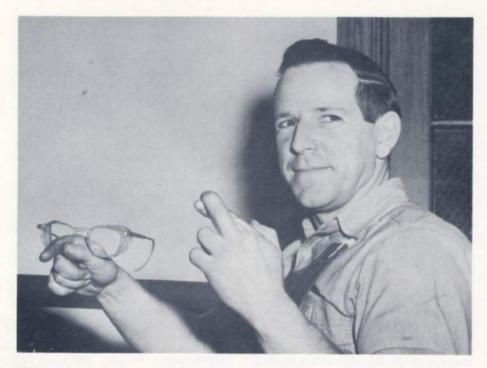
Department 435: Mr. and Mrs. Dean Perkins visited Enfield, Maine, Thanksgiving week-end to visit their parents. . . . Robert Philbrook has bought a new 1958 Ford, and Alfred Goulet bought

Robert's 1954 Dodge. Thomas Eccleston has finally traded in his 1938 Nash and is now sporting a new Chevrolet. Things look very prosperous on the Flyer Job with everyone getting new cars. . . . Kel Sweenie will be more careful in the future betting on the football games between Uxbridge and Northbridge. Kel bet his wife that if he lost he would give her breakfast in bed for a week. Kel picked Uxbridge. We think his wife must have got the worst of the bargain as she had burnt toast and watery coffee all week long. . . . William Reid, an advanced apprentice, spent two weeks as an observer on the manufacturing of flyers and pressers. Alfred Lucier, apprentice, has left after four weeks and has gone to the Tin Job, Department 413. . . . We have a new inspector, Mrs. Isabelle Ferguson, who transferred from the Cradle Job. We hope she will stay with us for a long time as we enjoy her cheerful disposition. . . . Eva Labrecque, inspector, came in one morning with a very stiff neck. We believe she must have left the front gate open the night before. . . . We are happy to hear that Maurice Montville's wife has left the Whitinsville Hospital. She spent two weeks there with a bad case of influenza.

Department 489: Belated birthday greetings to Curtis Card, 489A Purchase Inspection, who celebrated his birthday during October. Harry Beaulieu celebrates his birthday during December. . . Philip T. Larsen, Divisional Inspection Supervisor, spent his third week's vacation touring and visiting friends in Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Connecticut. The last two days of Phil's vacation, he and Mrs. Larsen drove their son, Edward, to Fort Dix. Edward has re-enlisted in the Army for six years. . . . Harold Wassenar, our Chief Inspector, is a firm believer



Pamelia is the daughter ot Ray Duggan, Department 465, and Mrs. Duggan



When a half-inch grinding wheel breaks while turning at 20,000 rpm it packs a real wallop. George Mills' right eye was saved because he was wearing his goggles, and he was back at work within less than an hour. This type of goggles is so built that the glass, when it shatters, flies outward, breaking into fragments that have no sharp edges or slivers. Not orie piece of glass reached his eye and George suffered only a black eye as a result of the force with which the tough frame was driven back against his face.

George figures that, without any doubt, wearing the goggles saved his sight

that "Man is dog's best friend." Heinie has had three pups. The first ran out in the road, got hit by a car—broken leg. The second had to be put away—distemper. The third just returned from the veterinary (at Heinie's expense) after fifteen days' observation for rabies. Mr. Wassenar dogmatically says, "No more dogs." . . . J. Camille Peloquin, Sr., a proud and gallant member of the Manville Fire Department, was recently called out to a 3-alarm fire in Cumberland, R. I. Fireman Peloquin says the blaze was soon brought under control once the Manville Fire Department took over.

REPAIR SALES

by Carol Corron

Our personality for this month is Fred Hanny. Fred is a product of Northbridge High School, class of 1941, and the University of Virginia, class of 1950. He emerged from Charlottesville with a B.S. degree in business administration. All this was interrupted with a hitch at the Adjutant General's School, Fort Washington, Maryland and 32 months' service in the U. S. Army Transportation Corps. He later became a merchandising trainee at Ware Pratt Company in Worcester. In 1952



Dennis, Raymond, Diane, and Ronald are the children of Benoit Briere of Department 416

Fred signed up with the Repair Depart-ment here at Whitin. Fred's talents of tact and good judgment are put to good use in his post as the Fayscott coordinator in our office. He enjoys traveling very much and his travels have taken him from sunny Florida's shores to the spectacular scenery of the Canadian Rockies and British Columbia. Fred enjoys both water skiing and snow skiing. He was an organizing member of the office Water Ski Club. Most of his winter skiing is done at Cannon Mountain. Then there's color photography. Fred is excellent at any-thing from a Vermont landscape to a Nantucket mooring. At his home at 12 Taft Street he turns his idle hours into the pursuit of other favorite hobbies. notably editing his color slides, listening to his favorite records, or refinishing furniture. Fred is both well known and well liked here at Whitin for he possesses both a razor-edge sense of humor and a pleasing personality.

Birthday wishes this month go out to Jenny Commons, Virginia Lindblom, Marion Merchant, Carol Simonian, Rita Baillergon, Charlie Pearson and Elmer Benton. . . . We welcome Harley Keeler to our department. Harley is our new supervisor of production coordination, replacing Adam Davidson who has taken over as supervisor of the order section. Harley was previously employed by the Production Department. . . . Our Christmas Party at the Golf Club again was very successful this year. The girls in our department also had another party. It was held during the noon hour and we picked names and exchanged gifts. I guess that's it for the holiday parties until next year.
. . . Warren Campbell attended the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia recently. . Alice DerTorosian spent the holidays in Montreal.

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Aram Sisoian

Inasmuch as there wasn't any column for Research last month, let's catch up. . . Belated birthday wishes to John Dudley and Ken Stanley. . . . The best of anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. John Dudley. . . . To Bill Linkow for this month, a happy birthday. . . . Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rutana and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cutler on the celebration of their wedding anniversaries. . . . Recently Dr. Szaloki received his 5-year pin from Mr. E. K. Swift, Jr. . . . On the Thanksgiving vacation, Beverly Ry-kosky and husband visited her folks in Virginia. . . . The Research Christmas party was held this year at the Uxbridge Inn. Everyone had a wonderful time.
. . . To date, our Research volleyball team is tops in the league that has been formed at the gym. We are proud to say that this team has not lost a single match. . . . Here's wishing that everyone had a very merry Christmas and has a very happy New Year.

MACHINE ACCOUNTING, PAYROLL COMPUTATION, STATEMENTS, BUDGETS, AND TIMEKEEPING

by Bob English

Machine Accounting: The Works Accounting Christmas party was held December 21 at the Club Embassy, Woonsocket, where sixty-five attended. Music was by Johnny Witek's Orchestra. . . Dot Fazzio has left W.M.W. for domestic duties. . . . Birthday greetings for January to Helena Plantinga and Bob Courchene.

Payroll Computation: Clarice Sareault relates the following: her two-year old parakeet, named Pat, laid an egg. The bird has been rechristened Patricia. . . . Birthday greetings for January to Ginny Wood and Betsy Aldrich. . . . A noon-day Christmas gathering was held December 24, catered by Mrs. Kelley of East Douglas. Members of Payroll, Statements, Budgets, and Timekeeping attended and gifts were exchanged.

Timekeeping: Louis Martin, Department 426, enlisted in the U. S. Navy on January 7. Walter Needham of the second shift has taken over his duties. . . . Birthday greetings for January to Dick SanSouci.

Through the courtesy of Ray Wiltam of Milton, New England sales manager of a company dealing in agricultural chemicals, we received a copy of a set of office rules posted by the owner of a carriage works in 1872 to guide his white collar workers:

- Office employees will daily sweep the floors, dust the furniture, shelves and showcases.
- Each day fill lamps, clean chimneys, and trim wicks. Wash the windows once a week.
- Each clerk will bring in a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's business.
- Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to your individual taste.
- 5. This office will open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m., except on the Sabbath, on which day it will remain closed. Each employee is expected to spend the Sabbath by attending church and contributing liberally to the cause of the Lord.
- Men employees will be given an evening off each, week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go regularly to church.
- After an employee has spent his 13 hours of labor in the office, he should spend the remaining time reading the Bible and other good books.
- 8. Every employee should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years, so that he will not become a burden of society or his betters.



On November 19 Mr. John H. Cunningham announced the appointments of Victor Romasco, left, as General Supervisor of Stores and Expediters and of George F. Rodgers, right, as Assistant General Supervisor of Stores

- 9. Any employee who smokes Spanish cigars, uses liquor in any form, or frequents pool and public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop, will give me good reason to suspect his worth, intentions, integrity and honesty.
- 10. The employee who has performed his labors faithfully and without fault for five years, will be given an increase of five cents per day in his pay, providing profits from the business permit it.

(And not a word about the coffee break.)

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Marge Newton and Tad Wallace

We are very happy to present William "Bill" Kearnan as our personality this month. Bill, who is a Whitinsville native, attended the public schools here in town and is a Northbridge High School graduate. While in high school, Bill participated in all sports: baseball, basketball, football

and track. A better than average basketball player, he was a member of some of the great Whitin Community Association teams which were considered to be the cream of the crop in New England in the late 20's and early 30's. After high school, Bill attended Holy Cross College where he majored in business administration. Upon completing his college career, he took a position with Filene's in Boston where he was connected with the training and merchandising programs. He was later transferred to the Worcester store of the same company. In 1935, Bill was married to the former Ruth Daley and took up residence in Uxbridge. The Kearnans are the parents of three sons: Bill, age 20, who works in the Cost Department; Dick, an Uxbridge High School senior; and Paul, who is 12 years old. Apparently the Kearnan interest in athletics was keenly felt in this household because sons Bill and Dick have both proven their athletic abilities on Uxbridge High School teams. Son Paul has yet to be heard from in this respect.

David Magill of Methods and Katherine Magill of Inspection are the grandparents of Donna, Janice, Joanne, and Susan Cenedella, ages respectively eight, six, five, and three







MYSTERY PHOTO. The demure miss on the left is Eva O'Keefe, telephone operator. You should have little difficulty in recognizing the three Camp Fire Girls on the right

In 1947, Bill came to work in the plant as an expediter and is currently the supervisor of the repair expediters. He has many interests but his participation in Little League activities and the Uxbridge High School Booster Club seems to indicate that his first love is athletics. He was instrumental in obtaining Tom Heinsohn of the Boston Celtics as a guest speaker for the Booster Club program. This group has as its prime objective the matter of getting more adults interested in high school athletics (all of us could be a little more cooperative in this respect). Bill has, over the past few years, confined his participation in sports to playing golf in the Production Department League where he is now serving as league secretary for the second year.

The annual Production Department Christmas party was held on December 14 at the Nipmuc Rod and Gun Club. From all reports, we gather that it was a gala affair as usual. Dinner, dancing and entertainment provided a long-to-be-remembered evening. The committee, consisting of Jack Gilchrist, Bill Walsh and Dick Mombourquette, must be complimented for planning such a real enjoyable evening.

The bowlers have at long last started a slow but steady climb in the league standings. After a rather shaky start, the team has apparently squared away and we look ahead to continued success. It is early to predict, but this team can make the playoffs and they may give the rest of the league a real surprise before this season is finished.



President J. Hugh Bolton on November 7 announced the formation of a working committee to supplement the standing committee in connection with the procedures and systems control program. The new committee is made up of, from the left: seated, co-chairmen George B. Estes and Charles H. Peix; standing, permanent members Harry A. Segal and Wayne Stinson

Harry Segal has left the Production Department to take up new duties as a member of the working committee connected with the procedures and systems control program. Harry's former duties as General Supervisor of Stores have been taken over by Victor Romasco. To Harry and to Vic, we extend a wish that they will both be happy and successful in their new positions. Further changes in the office are as follows: Harley Keeler has been transferred to the Repair Sales Department and he has been replaced by former auditor Art Jones. Ida Snay has given up her job as expediter clerk to devote all of her time to her home and domestic duties. Ida has been replaced by Pauline Demaris. Our best wishes to each of them.

We hear that Elizabeth Lanagan of No. 2 Office is a member of the chorus of the Worcester Oratorio which presented the 57th annual performance of Handel's "The Messiah" in Worcester Memorial Auditorium on December 8.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Beatrice Gauthier

Christmas is over by the time this column goes to press, so I hope everyone has had a very Merry Christmas and that the new year will be happy and prosperous for everyone. . . . We welcome two new members to the Cost Department. Joseph O'Rourke of Worcester has joined Roy Benner's group. He formerly worked at Economic Machinery Company of Worcester. William Kearnan, of North Uxbridge, graduated from Becker Junior College in June and was a roving timekeeper before he joined Ken Crossman's group. . . . Happy birthday wishes this month go to Gloria Novack, Thad Fronczak, Gordon Curtis, Armand Plouffe, Thomas Altoonian, Peg Destrempes, Harriet LaFleur, Robert Smalarz and William Kearnan. . . . On November 14, the following people from this department led a group of men from the National Association of Accountants on a tour of the shop: Roy Benner, Ray Colby, Ken Crossman, Roland Farrar, Oscar Erickson, Cal Hubbard, Joseph Connors and Telix Richard.

Don Rae has learned the hard way that making candles isn't as easy as it sounds. Florence LeBeau was telling him about the Christmas candles she had made and, after getting all the details, he decided he'd try it. He melted a quart of paraffin and poured it into an empty milk carton. When the hot wax hit the seams of the carton, everything just let go and the wax went right down the sink drain. The sink had to be disconnected to get at the wax. . . . girls of this department decided that they would have a small Christmas Party "just for the girls." However, it didn't turn out that way at all. It turned out to be a buffet style lunch which the girls themselves catered, for almost sixty people. Gifts were exchanged, and everyone seemed to enjoy their lunch.



Terry Lou is the daughter of Irene DeJordy of Machine Accounting

ENGINEERING AND MASTER LIST DEPARTMENTS

by John Ratcliffe and Louis Lucier

Everyone looked well fed after the Thanksgiving recess. . . . Bob and Mrs. Brown had a very enjoyable visit with their daughter in New Jersey on Turkey Day. . . . Congratulations and best of everything to Eddie Jerominek and his bride. Eddie was feted by the boys of these departments at the Klondike on December 12 in honor of his marriage on December 21. . . Those two hardy woodsmen seen on Church Street during the December Christmas rush were none other than Phil O'Grady and Seb Kalousdian of the "OK" Christmas Tree Company. . . . In North Uxbridge, Dot Magowan of our blueprint section was her husband's chief assistant selling trees.

Our personalities of the month are Merritt Tetreault and Zoltan Herger, two recent additions to our department. "Pete," as he is better known, was born and brought up in Whitinsville, attended local schools and graduated from Northbridge High. After serving as an Air Force photographer from 1948–1950 Pete came home and married the former Veronica Kelliher. They have two children, Peter, age 4, and Michele, age 2. The Tetreaults work their own farm in East Douglas. Before joining Whitin, he was employed by Economic Machine for five and a half years.

Zoltan Herger comes to us from Mohács, Hungary, his home town. After attending elementary and high school there, he was graduated from Technical University of Budapest with a degree in textile and mechanical engineering. While attaining this degree, Zoltan came up with the highest mark in his class. After being employed by a cotton spinning concern for four and a half years, two of which were spent as a technical leader, he escaped from Budapest after the Hungarian revolution of last year and spent a year in Austria

as a structural engineer. His parents and his wife, whom he married in 1952, are still in Budapest. Zoltan hopes to bring his wife here as soon as he is able. We welcome both these fellows and hope they will find it pleasant working in this department.

Congratulations to Jane Longmuir of Master List, Eva Dumas of the Tracers and William Hobart of the Winders Section pon receiving their 15-year service pins. . . . Birthday greetings for January go to Gordon Boutilier of Master List, and to Shirley Zakarian, Thelma Baker, Harold Miller and Allen Hastings of Engineering. Once again, in closing, another reminder from your reporters that they would appreciate any news, views, pictures, suggestions and ideas you could pass on to them.

MARKIAGES and ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement of Walter Bloniasz, Traffic Department, and Beverly Kellaher has been announced.

The engagement of John McQuade, Traffic Department, to Estelle Labonte has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

Edward Jerominek, Department 434, and Rosalie Suski were married in St. Mary's Church, Uxbridge, on December 21.

Wilfred Boulanger and Blanche Tougas, both of Department 451, were married in Whitinsville on December 14.

The engagement of Norman Belval of Linwood and June Boisvert of Department 410 has been announced.



To Paul Poulin, Department 448, and Mrs. Poulin, a son, Michael, weight 6 lbs. 14 oz. at St. Vincent Hospital on December 5.

To Howard Cook, Department 462 (Machine Accounting), and Mrs. Cook, a son, Douglas Brian, weight 8 lbs. 3 oz., at the Memorial Hospital on November 27.

To Walter Anderburg, Department 404

time clerk, and Mrs. Anderburg, a daughter, Deborah Jean, weight 5 lbs. 7 oz., at Milford Hospital on December 15.

To Adam Vrabel, Tool Job, and Mrs. Vrabel, a daughter, Barbara Lee, weight 7 lbs. 10 oz., in Webster District Hospital on November 26.

To Alphege Lozier, Department 435, and Mrs. Lozier, a daughter, Karen Ann, weight 7 lbs. 8 oz., in Millville on November 24.

To Raymond Dion, Department 416, and Mrs. Dion, a son, weight 9 lbs. 5 oz., at Whitinsville Hospital on November 25.

To James Marshall, Repair Sales, and Mrs. Marshall, a daughter, Cynthia Ruth, at the Memorial Hospital on November 16.

To Arthur Malo, Traffic Department, and Mrs. Malo, a son, at Doctor's Hospital, Worcester, on December 11.



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

Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Thomas Driscoll, Main Office, and Edward Driscoll on the death of their brother, Joseph Driscoll, in Upton on December 4.

Family and friends of Harry Downs, 56, who died at his home in Old Douglas on December 9. An inspector in Department 418, he had been a Whitin employee since 1940. A part time dairy farmer, he was active in the Grange.

Friends and survivors of Joseph Vincent, 65, of Union Street, Linwood, who died in St. Vincent Hospital on December 10. He was for fourteen years an automatic machine operator.

Relatives and friends of Joseph Arthur Defoe, 70, of 22 A Street, who died at his home on December 8. He was for thirtyfive years a grinder.

Survivors and friends of William Feen, 60, former Whitinsville resident and former Whitin employee, who died in West Upton recently.

Mabel Coleman, Department 451, on the death of her father, Lewis Adams.

Friends and family of William B. Skillen, 66, of 438 Church Street, Whitinsville, who died in Whitinsville Hospital on November 21. A parts list analyst, he was for forty-two years a Whitin employee.

George Vincent, Department 416, on the death of his sister, Mrs. Freda Demaree, in New Salem, New Hampshire, on November 20.



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