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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant



Joseph Machoto, ATF Assembly, started working at Whitin in 1933. He and Poulina live in their own home on Providence Road. Joe's hobbies are cartooning and gardening.



Clemence J. Prince, a Turret Operator in Department 411, came to Whitin in 1933. He is a bachelor and for the past nine years has been building a house in Old Douglas.



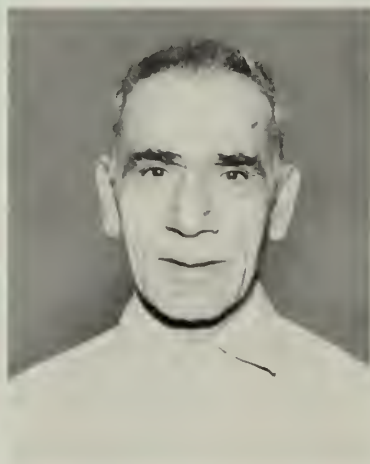
Lilo Arnold, No. 5 Storesroom, has been with Whitin 17 years. She lives in Uxbridge and has two daughters. Her husband, Hermon, works in Whitin's Shipping Department.



Gladys George, wife of Plant Guard Ralph George, is employed in No. 2 Office. She has been with Whitin for six years and lives in Uxbridge in a home she and George own.



Joseph Leveille, Punch Press Operator, has 25 years' seniority at Whitin. He and Mrs. Leveille live in Linwood. They have a daughter, two sons, and four grandchildren.



Kirkor Kotoian, Pottern Trucker in the Foundry, has been employed at the Whitin Machine Works since 1933. He is a bachelor and lives on Church Street, Whitinsville.



Raymond VanDyke, of the Milling Job, has been a Whitin employee for 25 years. Ray enjoys fishing and watching sports in his leisure hours. He lives on Grove Street.

NEW CHANGES

New Jobs



The manufacture of new types of machines, such as ATF presses, requires additional floor space for erection. The area shown is about one-half of the original area of the ATF Assembly Department. An additional area about this size has been taken from the space formerly occupied by the Lathe and Grinder Department and has been added to ATF Assembly. From the left are Francis Lockwood, Normand Gagnon, Hendrick Morro, Foreman Gil Hoyt, Arthur Baillargeon, Edward Haczynski, Peter Andonian, and Group Leader Robert Brown

DURING RECENT MONTHS, the Company has relocated a number of manufacturing departments. The reason for this action was to provide additional floor space for the building of American Type Founders printing presses and to make possible the installation of a new conveyor system for the Shipping Department. In order to gain the space required, it was necessary to relocate and rearrange the machinery of the Lathe and Grinder Job, the Comber Small Parts Department, and the Bolster Job.

Approximately one-third more floor space has been added to the ATF assembly floor to accommodate the building of two new printing presses—models DO and HO. The DO press is a machine which will be used especially for printing a paper sheet 20" x 26". In the past this sheet size was not considered standard, but it is now being rapidly accepted by the graphic arts industry. The HO model is a press which will print two colors. Present ATF presses print only one color at a time.

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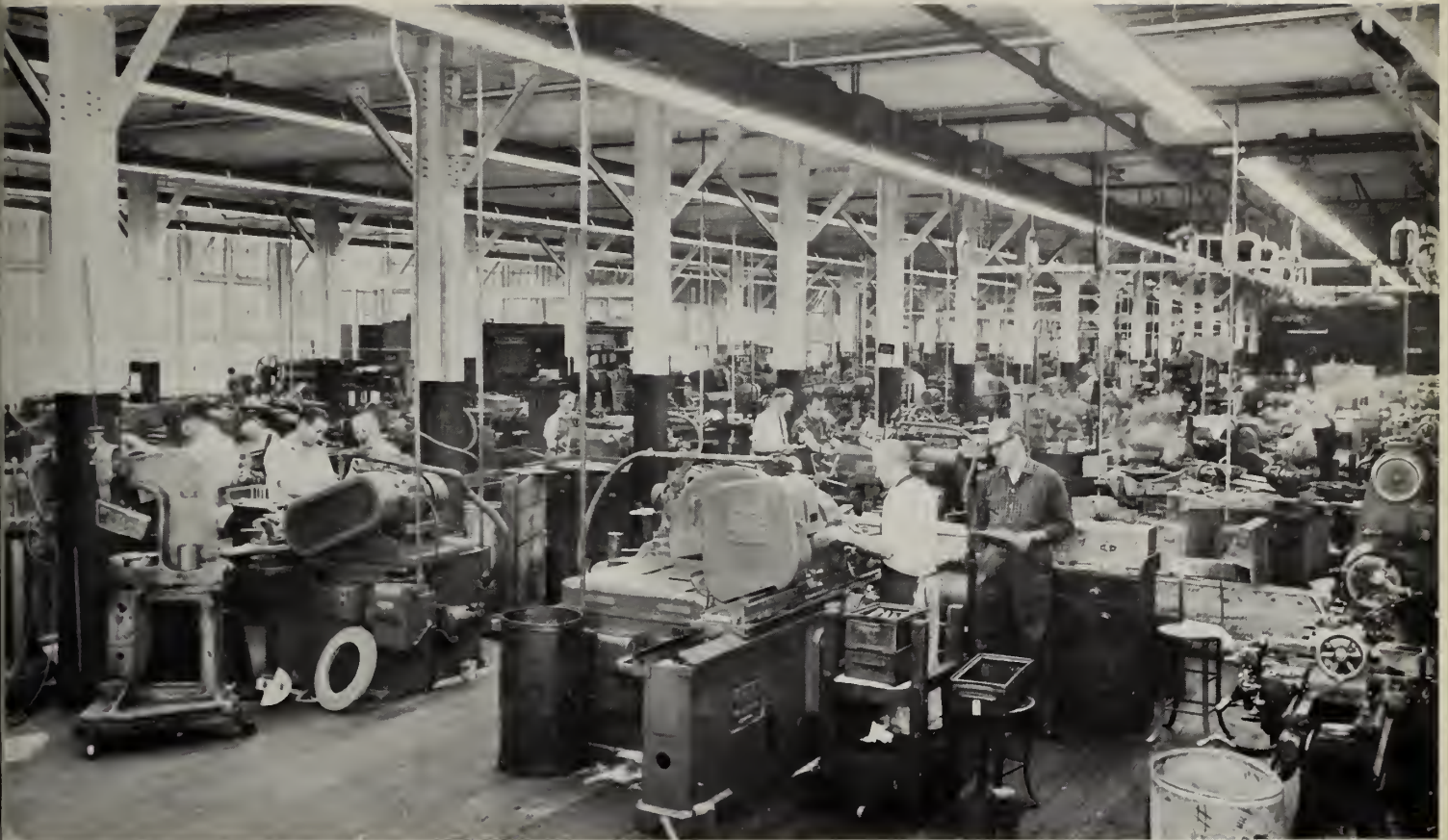


From the various storerooms shipments of small parts are brought together in a new department, known as 453A, on the former site of the Comber Small Parts Department. William H. VanNess, Sr., on the right, who is in charge of consolidation area, checks a shipment being placed on the conveyor by William Morrisette. The conveyor will carry it quickly to the packing area below

NEW CHANGES — NEW JOBS *(continued)*



When the containers of small parts arrive in the Packing Department, the parts are removed and boxed. The cardboard cartons are then placed on another section of the conveyor and forwarded to the mailing section. Shown from the left are Lorenzo Noel, Alfred Demers, Foreman J. Harold Baszner, and Inspector Herbert Ashworth



This is the present location of the Lathe and Grinder Job, looking down the floor towards the Gear Job. Facing the camera, from the left: George Baker, Raymond Basinet, Normand Proulx, Assistant Foreman Robert Hopkins, Roger Payette, Leonard Cosselin, and Foreman William Todd. The job now has many of the machines formerly assigned to Comber Small Parts

When the Lathe and Grinder Job, which is now located next to the Gear Job, moved from the area adjacent to the ATF Press Assembly it released an area large enough to permit the erection of the new presses as well as making more space available for the painting and packing of duplicators. At that time, it also was decided to detach from the Lathe and Grinder Job that section working exclusively on ATF cylinders. These men and machines were added to the Planer Job.

This was a favorable move also for the Lathe and Grinder Job. In its new location, in the area formerly occupied by the Bolster Job, it is nearer to the departments with which it works closely. Then too, this new area is large enough to accommodate not only the machines of the Lathe and Grinder Job but also most of the machines of the Comber Small Parts Department. Therefore, these two departments have been consolidated.

In order to speed the shipment of small parts to our customers, a new consolidation area was created in the space released by the Comber Small Parts Department. This section, known as 453A, is part of the Traffic Department. Here partial orders from the many stores-rooms are brought together and, when complete, sent by conveyor belt to the packing area on the floor below.

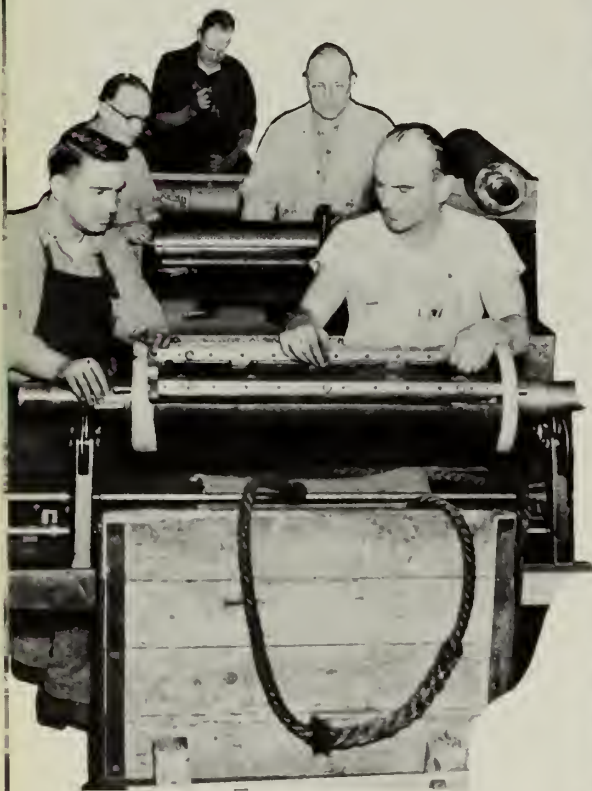
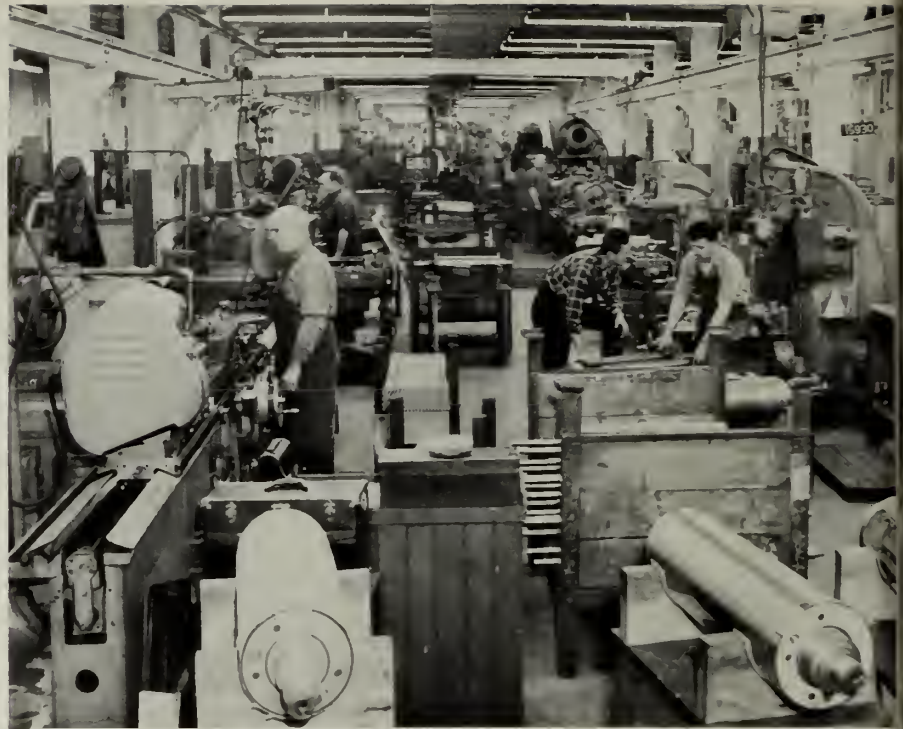
The Bolster Job is now located near the Spindle Job in an area formerly used for storage. This, too, was a logical move, for the parts made by these two departments are closely related.

WHITIN CONTINUES ITS STEADY GROWTH

Since this article was prepared you have been notified by employee bulletin that Whitin has purchased the American Type Founders Company, Incorporated. The transaction was handled through a newly formed subsidiary—Whitin ATF. This is good news for the whole Whitin organization and particularly those people living in Whitinsville and surrounding towns. The acquisition of this nationally known firm in the graphic arts field represents an important development in management's diversification program and will result in increased job security for all. Whitin's financial position, manufacturing skills, and facilities will greatly strengthen the competitive position of ATF and aid its expansion program.

NEW CHANGES — NEW JOBS (continued)

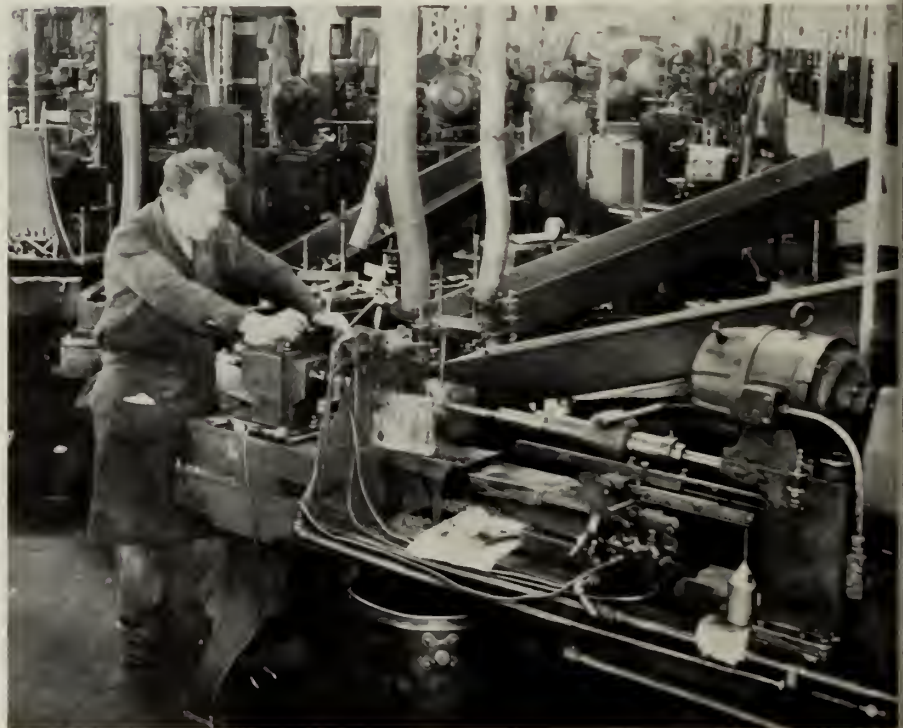
The men and machines specializing in the turning and grinding of ATF cylinders have been transferred from the Lathe and Grinder Department to the Planer Job. From the left: George Cote, Assistant Foreman Thomas Tyeks, and Roland Guertin



Another section of the Lathe and Grinder Department which has been transferred to the Planer Department is that section where the ATF Cylinders are assembled and inspected. From the left: Walter Solina, Errol Fisher, Horace Disautell, Group Leader Arthur Berube, and Jean LaJoie

SUMMARY

The erection of these two new printing presses has not only created new jobs but the manufacturing of parts for these machines makes additional work for the men in many departments. In addition, the strategic reassignment of floor space has been beneficial in eliminating shipping and manufacturing bottlenecks and has proven beneficial to our over-all manufacturing activities.



The Bolster Job has moved to an area near the Spindle Job. Here Henry Gervais operates a battery of seven drills

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WHY NOT A \$1 DOLLAR?

We now have a 50-cent dollar, or less. If creeping inflation—the loss of three or four cents on the dollar each year—is not stopped, we can look forward to a 25-cent dollar or even a 10-cent dollar.

Many of the proposals for overcoming the problems of inflation, such as even higher government spending, would only add to inflation.

Yet the 25-cent dollar is not inevitable. It is even possible that we could reverse the trend and aim for a \$1 dollar. Through technological progress, continuing advances in productivity, the dollar could gain in value instead of losing. Government, labor, business and the public would need to agree that lower prices and better values were more important to the American people than any temporary gains that inflation might seem to offer—and then act accordingly.



Whitin Personality

GEORGE P. FOURNIER, Foreman of Department 439, has spent most of his life working with spindles. The spindle, which carries and drives the bobbin, was invented many thousands of years ago and is regarded, even today, as one of the most important single contributions ever made to the textile industry.

George was born in Whitinsville and after attending the local schools furthered his education through ICS courses. He first started at Whitin in the Picker Small Parts Department but left to accept a machinist's apprenticeship at the repair shop of the Whitinsville Cotton Mill in the buildings which now house the Research Division.

After completing his apprenticeship he worked at Whitin and other places. Here he worked on the Top Flat Job, the Drawing Job, and the Tool Job. He has also worked for Indian Motor Cycle, Saco-Lowell, and the Torpedo Station at Newport, R. I. From 1923 to 1929 George and a partner operated a spindle repair shop in Linwood. George and his partner were the inventors of a spindle clutch.

In January, 1936, George, who had worked on spindle research at Saco-Lowell, returned to Whitin to work in Spindle Research. In November, 1936, he was made Assistant Foreman of Department 439. In June, 1947, he was promoted to Foreman.

George and Blanche A. Remillard of Linwood were married in the Church of the Good Shepherd on September 12, 1922. They have two sons: George J., who received his master's degree as a biologist from Brown, is now employed by Pfizer Laboratories, and James is in his senior year as a mechanical engineering student at Northeastern. George and Blanche live at 47 Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville.

George, a veteran of World War I who served in the Navy as a machinist mate from 1918 to 1919, is a charter member of Jeffrey L. Vail Post, American Legion. He is a member of Mumford Council K. of C. and of Bishop O'Reilly Assembly of Worcester. He likes to watch baseball and football.

His associates find him quiet, reserved, friendly, and cooperative.

FRONT COVER: The Research Division has produced another new and revolutionary machine for the textile industry. An article about this new Super Lap machine appears on pages 8 and 9. The operator pictured is Joseph Limanek, of the Experimental Construction Department.

New SUPER LAP Method

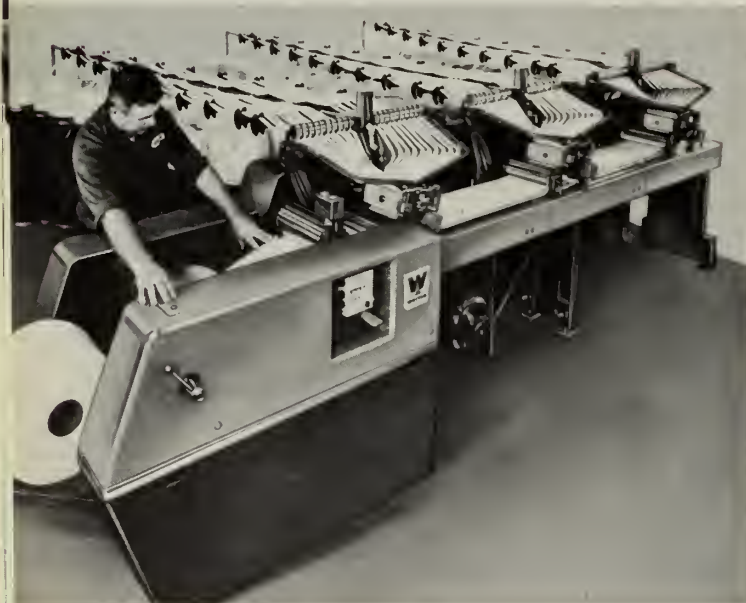
A GREAT ADVANCE IN COMBING

THE SUPER LAP, latest major machine developed by the Research Division, is sparkling new and designed to follow the Even-Draft Drawing Frame in the new technique for preparing laps for the Comber. With the Super J Comber, the three machines are an unbeatable combination for quality, production, and economy in the combing process.

The development of new machines for the textile industry is always a challenge to the men of the Research Division, and the Super Lap was no exception. It was the task of our research men to develop a machine which would produce a heavier lap (weighing approximately 1,000 grains per yard) and in which the fibers were well straightened and parallel. A lap of this weight and quality was desired to increase the production of the Super J Comber. At the same time substantial operating economies in the combing process were secured.

The function of the Comber is to comb out short fibers and the small tangled clusters of fibers called neps, leaving clean, straight fibers which can be spun into finer, stronger, more lustrous yarns. If fibers are bent or hooked in the lap, the Comber removes them as if they were short fibers. With the new Whitin Super Lap preparation method, these fibers are straightened. This makes it possible for the J5 Comber to handle the heavier lap. At the same time the mills save valuable fibers which otherwise would be removed with the short fibers as waste.

The new method of preparing laps for the Comber offers the greatest amount of drafting available in any two-process method of lap preparation—about three times the draft of former methods and hence three times the straightening action. The new method cuts down on labor costs because it produces laps heavier in weight and at twice the speed of former methods.



The new Whitin Super Lap machine, together with the M Drawing Frame and the J5 Comber, marks the latest advance in the combing process. At the Research Division, Joseph Limanek of the Experimental Construction Department operates the streamlined newcomer



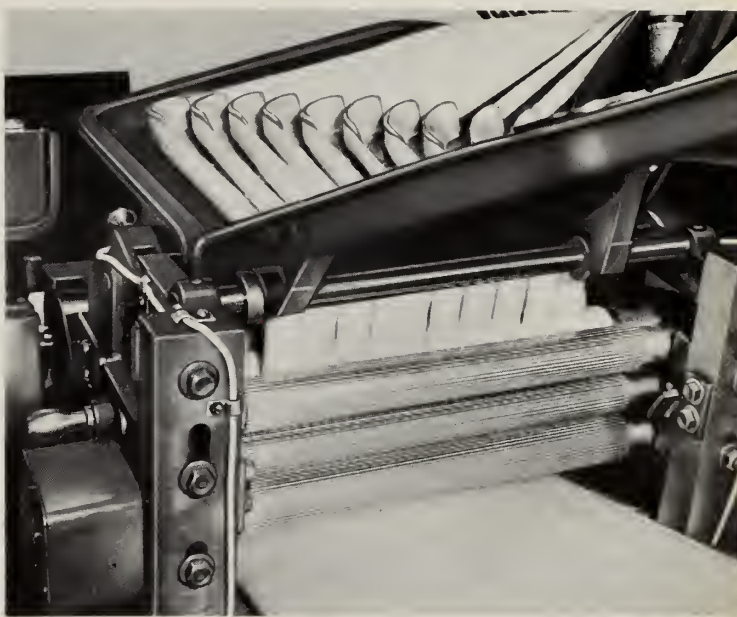
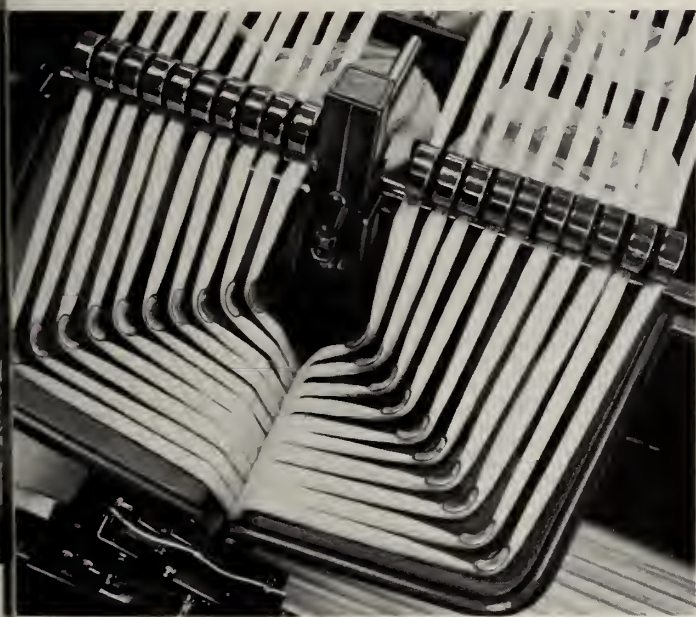
On the Super Lap up to sixty slivers from the M Drawing Frame are drafted and combined into a supply unit for the J5 Comber. The Super Lap produces up to 500 pounds per hour—enough laps to keep about eight Combers working



The laps, weighing 1,000 grains per yard, are the supply units for the Whitin J5 Comber, the world's most advanced Comber

The streamlined Super Lap machine processes up to sixty ends of sliver from the Even-Draft Drawing Frame. At each of three heads, one-third of these slivers passes through a two-over-three draw box, resulting in three webs of straightened and parallel fibers. These three webs, arranged like a sandwich, pass between calender rolls where they are compressed into one layer. The resulting lap is wound into a tight roll and is ready for the Comber.

The Super Lap produces up to 500 pounds per hour. This means that a combination of one Even-Draft Drawing Frame and one Super Lap machine can produce enough of these heavier laps to supply eight to ten Super J Combers. For our customers this means that Whitin offers a combination of process and machines which result in greater increased production of high quality combed sliver with substantial savings in cotton and processing costs.



Above: At each of three stations, one-third of the slivers pass over special guide pans to the draw box. On the right, this rear view shows the bottom rolls in the two-over-three drafting

system. The new method of lap preparation offers the maximum amount of drafting available in any two-process system, resulting in a higher percentage of straightened and parallel fibers

ECONOMIC

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The American public has become increasingly conscious in recent months of the emergence of the Soviet Union as a vigorous competitor in the fields of economics and science. Premier Khrushchev has said, "We shall conquer capitalism with a high level of work and a higher standard of living." And he promised that the Soviet Union would take the lead in economic competition within a short time.

Growing concern has been expressed about the current economic capacities and future economic potentials of the Soviet system relative to our own resources and performance. Within the limits of known fact, what are the dimensions of the Soviet's economic strength and how does it compare with that of the United States?

This is the third in a series of three articles on economic comparisons.

Part III.

Levels of Living

SOVIET leaders face the problem of providing workers with incentives to produce capital goods and ordnance, but at the same time severely limiting the production and availability of the consumer goods they want. Money wages, therefore, must appear to be high. Yet effective demand for consumer goods must be suppressed by means of high prices, taxation (especially very heavy sales taxes), or compulsory loans. All these means have been used.

Just how high are prices—say, in Moscow, as compared with those in New York? This comparison can be made in terms of the work time an "average" worker required in each city in 1957 to purchase a staple item in his budget. A Moscow worker, for example, had to work 33 minutes to earn enough to purchase a quart of milk, a New York worker, seven minutes. Only in the purchase of bread and potatoes was the difference in work time small. The largest relative difference on the chart is the cost in labor time of a consumer durable—a

table radio. Its purchase required 1 day in New York and 25 days in Moscow. If this comparison should make the Moscovite disconsolate, he could dispel the gloom by using his earnings from 6 hours of work to purchase a fifth of vodka; a New Yorker can acquire a fifth of whiskey with earnings from 2 hours of work.

These comparisons are based on the Moscow worker's typical work week of 46 hours spread over six days and his average monthly earnings of about 750 rubles, and on the New York factory worker's 40-hour, five-day work week and average earnings in 1957 of \$2.04 an hour.

One must bear in mind that the Soviet worker enjoys some important services that are subsidized out of general tax payments and constitute only a small claim on his take-home pay. Thus rent represents probably less than 5% of his income, and direct medical and dental expenses are small because of the Soviet system of socialized medical care.

Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics; THE CONFERENCE BOARD.

Midwinter

SALES MEETING

By JOHN R. SANDERSON

For the first time a new type of sales meeting was held in Charlotte, North Carolina, on February 24 and 25. All sales personnel from Whitinsville, Atlanta, Spartanburg and Greensboro offices attended a two-day clinic held in the Conference Room of the Catalina Motel in Charlotte. Discussions were headed by chairman of the program Robert I. Dalton, Jr., Manager of Cotton Machinery Sales Department. Other participants were J. H. Bolton, Jr., Director of Sales; R. W. Rawlinson, Claude Banks from the Repair Department; W. J. Dunleavy, Service Department; John Golder and J. R. Sanderson.

The program was arranged so that each office had the responsibility of making a sales presentation preparing a specific program highlighting the sales features of a single machine. The Atlanta office under direction of B. B. Peacock presented sales highlights of the Even-Draft Drawing frame, the Spartanburg office

under R. W. Dunn, the Large Package Roving Frame, the Charlotte office under J. L. Orr, the Super J Comber as well as newly developed machines for preparing laps for the comber, and the Greensboro office under H. B. Patterson presented a sales analysis of the new Whitin Piedmont Spinning Frame.

Many phases of selling activity were discussed by the group and information exchanged to enable the sales force to make each salesman's selling activities most efficient and effective. The meeting also provided an opportunity for an interim close coordination of the entire sales force and the company to acquaint them with most recent developments and progress in all phases of the company's operation. In the past, the salesmen have gathered only once a year in August for an annual sales meeting. The meeting was considered to be highly successful, and it is planned to have similar midwinter meetings in the future.



Whitin holds Southern Sales Conference in Charlotte during week of February 23. Personnel participating, left to right: W. J. Dunleavy, H. T. Heathcote, M. W. Keeler, J. Golder, J. McCall, M. P. Thomas, J. Calvert, J. H. Bolton, Jr., Vice President and Director of Sales, B. B. Peacock (standing), R. I. Dalton, Jr., Manager of Cotton Machinery Sales, H. B. Patterson, J. L. Orr, R. W. Rawlinson, C. M. Banks, R. C. Pillsbury, R. W. Dunn, L. M. Hair, W. V. Byers, and O. G. Murphy



KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

We welcome back to our department Margaret Devlin, Donald Menard, Parmilia Bilodeau, and Al Chauvin, all of whom have been here before. . . . Jim Gusney and Arthur Thifault are still on the incapacitated list and we wish them both a speedy recovery. . . . Birthday greetings can be divided among the following: for March—Cornelius Ebbeling, Carl Johnson and Alphonse Turgeon; for April—Charlie Coombs, Joseph Hetherington, Bud Frieswyk and Herbert Smith. . . . We wish to correct an error we made in the last issue. Everett Gaspar only borrowed that 1959 Pontiac he was riding around in. Apologies to Everett. . . . Donald Menard is enjoying a 1957 Ford he recently purchased. . . . We have a new hot lunch idea. Parmilia Bilodeau brings in chicken legs cooked at home. Wrapped in aluminum foil and placed on the radiator until noon, they become steaming hot. With a jar of strained vegetables on the same radiator, there's her dinner.

OFFSET SMALL PARTS AND SUB-ASSEMBLIES

by William Godbout

Welcome back to Mary Paul and Larry Duhamel. Mary and Larry were both at Doctors Hospital in Worcester for a short stay. Mary reports she had a tooth from her third set pulled. . . . Birthdays in February were celebrated by E. Laquerre and R. Remillard; in March by R. Boucher, G. Hoard, and A. Poudrier.

TIN SHOP, PAINT AND CREEL JOBS

by Dorsey Devlin and Pete Paddock

The only news we seem to be able to gather this month concerns the relocating of the Tin Shop and Paint Jobs. . . . The Paint Job, which has been a part of this building since as far back as this reporter can remember and even beyond that, has been moved out to 406. George Dykstra, Henry Kelley, Ross Rajotte, Harold Ingham, and George Braman, all of whom have been members of long standing on the Paint Job, seemed a little sad at leaving this floor. The spray booth with Phil Dion, which will remain intact, is the only memory of the departed brush welders. . . . The Tin Shop will move

into the vacated space, occupying the entire floor with Storesroom #25 in the center of the department. . . . Willie Boileau, Armand Brodeur, and Leo Proulx are new men on the second shift at Department 413.

GEAR JOB

by Stan Frodyma

John Senkarik, Sr., our personality of the month, was born in Webster on January 1, 1899, but now lives in the house he owns in North Uxbridge. He is a family man, for he and Mrs. Anna Senkarik, who have been married for thirty-nine years, have three daughters and two sons. Their oldest son, John, Jr., a golf pro who spends three months every year in Florida, is owner of the Milford Country Club. Their youngest daughter, Lillian, is employed in the Production Department. A veteran of World War I, John, Sr., has been employed here fifteen years. His chief recreation is hunting for rabbits and hares, but he also enjoys raising flowers and vegetables in his garden. We hope he will be with us for many more years.

It took Emile Roy three weeks to find the fine farmhouse which Ted Lewandowski built as a home in Oxford. Ted has a few animals pastured on his property. . . . While skiing in the Berkshires, our pro skier, Pop Laverdiere, slightly injured his shoulder. . . . Ed Kozek has bought a new Mercury and Archie Gigarjian a new 1959 Chevrolet. . . . Mr. Jacob DeJong presented a 20-year pin to James Menard and Mr. F. O. Rizer presented a 15-year pin to Irene Kalvinek. . . . Irene Kalvinek is on a pizza diet. . . . Birthday greetings to George Cantara and Louis Mayerson. . . . Best wishes on their anniversaries to Mr. and Mrs. Hector Gauthier and to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Jackson.

We find that this department has a number of persons with interesting hobbies: Fred Erickson ice fishes while Bunny Howard ice skates in search of Fred's secluded fishing areas. Ray Wood has the machine tools for the woodworking he enjoys. Frank Dawicki collects records and fiddles around with his hi-fi set. Pop Laverdiere slides the slopes on skis. Don Boissel is an amateur interior decorator. Ernest Riedle takes photographs while Ernest Lambert goes hunting. Ed Reith likes nothing better than to go boating or water skiing. Louis Mayerson is interested in stocks and bonds. Michael Ezzo pitches in the shop softball league and bowls. Charlie Bagg draws in his spare hours. Jim Menard has played the drums for twenty-five years. Archie

Gigarjian tours the New England countryside. Philip Svendsen goes deep-sea fishing. Emile Roy does woodworking in winter and gardening in summer. Lastly, Roland Roy likes to hit 325 while bowling.

Whitin Receives Citation



Director, Office of Trade Promotions, E. E. Schnellbacher presents citation to John H. Bolton, Vice-President and Director of Sales

At a recent Workshop Press Luncheon given by the American Textile Machinery Association for the business press at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D. C., Mr. E. E. Schnellbacher, Director, Office of Trade Promotion, U. S. Department of Commerce, presented to Mr. J. H. Bolton, Jr., Vice-President and Director of Sales at Whitin Machine Works and Chairman of the Exhibition Committee for ATMA, a citation from the Department of Commerce in recognition of outstanding public service to the United States Government. The citation was specifically awarded for ATMA participation in the 1958 International Trade Fair at Poznan, Poland, and read: "By their generous giving of their time, their skill, and their products, they contributed significantly to the advancement of world understanding of peace and prosperity under the American System of free enterprise."



These ladies, shown at a Christmas party, are employed at Fayscott Landis Corporation in Dexter, Maine. After enjoying a delicious roast beef dinner, the group participated in the singing of Christmas carols, dancing, and bingo. They are, from the left: first row—Linda Knowles, Annette Pratt, Jean Schmit, Phyllis Ambrose, Ruth Cooley; second row—Bernice Nye, Kay Quirion, Doris Brockway, Betty Matteson, Gloria Tedford; third row—Verna Shields, Helena LaFlamme, Beverly Garnett, Evelyn Haseltine, Ruth Thompson, Claire Keyre, Florence Leighton; fourth row—Marilyn Parker, Freda Wintle, Joan Eaton, Elsie Higgins, Maxine Hathaway, Pat Knowlton; fifth row—Ruth Weston, Doreen Dority, Margaret Keyte, Charlene Artus, and Irene Cochrane. Unable to attend were Joan Thomas, Jolene McKenney, Beauford Lowell, and Deanna Tarr

WHAT YOUNGSTERS THINK

In a survey of high school seniors, Opinion Research Corporation found that

- 61 per cent of the students did not believe in the need for profits.
- 83 per cent estimated industry's profits as up to 50 per cent.
- 62 per cent thought workers should not produce all they could.
- 53 per cent voted for government ownership of banks, railroads, steel companies.
- 55 per cent held to the Communist theory: "from each according to his ability, to each according to his needs."

Simple ignorance of our economic system would not be as surprising—or as dismaying—as the parroting of the Communist line by high school students. Where do they get it? What are we doing about it?

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Jake Sohigian

New faces this month include William Mateer, Paul Comtois, Arthur Lapierre, Raymond Herard, and inspector Germaine Bogie. Welcome back to the job after long layoffs. . . . The new apprentice in the department is Robert Bowen, who hails from Milford. We hope he not only likes his stay with us but that he gains more knowledge in his line of work. . . . The girl now working in the office is Anna Benson. Welcome to her. . . . At this writing, inspector Abraham Koury is on sick leave. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him back real soon. . . . Franny Forsythe is still out on sick leave and it is with deep feeling that we wish him good health, and hope he soon is back with us again. Franny has been out for quite some time. . . . Timekeeper Roger Whittlesey, after seeing big tracks on his front lawn, told the boys he thought there might be a bear around his property. . . . Thomas Grenier gets up at 4 o'clock every morning and milks cows before coming to work.

George and Francis Ledue have been called out of work twice this past month to bail out water that has run into their cellar due to the heavy rainfall. All they need now is a boat. . . . Harry Freeman has purchased a 1959 Plymouth. Harry claims that it makes the rough bumpy roads to Upton seem like super-highways. . . . Baseball is just around the corner. The talk is of the Yankees and the Braves dominating their respective leagues. Take my word for it, don't sell the Red Sox short this year. With a lineup of Runnels, Williams, Wertz, Jensen and Malzone, opposing pitchers should beware. What do you think? . . . I'm looking forward to hearing the little bit of news that you are holding back. No appointment is necessary. You spill it, I'll write it.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Charles Khevoian and Irving Dalton

A surprise housewarming party was held for Ed Rabitor and his wife by forty friends and relatives on their occupation of their new home on School Street, North Uxbridge. . . . Department 417 was represented by Earl Robbins, Jr., on the recent trip by the Whittin Male Glee Club to Amherst. . . . We welcome back Sam St. Andre who was ill at the Whitinsville Hospital. . . . Howard Hill, set-up man, has moved from Hopedale to Whitinsville. It is a big change for him. . . . Walter Wywal has taken over parts in process, formerly done by A. Majeau who has returned to Department 438. . . . Mrs. Mildred Buchman, wife of Willis Buchman of Department 417, went to Florida for three weeks to recuperate from an opera-



Amid thunderous volleys of buckshot from other hunters, Arthur Latourelle of Department 671 killed his first deer while hunting in New Salem, Mass.

tion. . . . Spring is in the air. Cookie Barnes, our foreman, and Leonard Hinchliffe, our planner, are studying the seed catalogues.

TOP ROLL DEPARTMENT

by *George H. Bond*

During the past two months we said farewell to a number of our workers, many of whom were transferred to other departments. We were sorry to see them leave and sincerely hope they will all return in the near future. . . . Among those honored recently were Helen Laythe and Ragnar Strom with 15-year service pins and Julia Prince with a 10-year pin. These were presented to them by Mr. Donald Sangster and Mr. Lester Hewett. . . . Birthday greetings in February went to Rita Vallee, Albert Clouart and Henry McCulloch. During March we saluted Howard Barnett and Merrick Houghton as they aged one year.

A short time ago Albert Clouart was boasting of how it would be impossible for him to be late when he moves to his new apartment right next to the shop door. You guessed it—the first morning after moving in Al came in late. Since then the situation has improved, perhaps because Mac McCulloch blows his car horn each morning when entering the parking lot. . . . Another news item worth mentioning is the golden wedding anniversary celebrated recently by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Caron. Joe worked at Department 423 for a number of years and was on loan to Department 425 on several occasions before retiring last year.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by *William Markarian*

Our personality this month is likeable, unperturbed Fred Kramer who is known for his quick wit and humorous sayings. His height of nearly seven feet makes it inevitable that his friends should call him Shorty. Fred was born in the village of Heeg, Holland, on June 4, 1892. He was one of a family of five children, all of whom eventually came to America. After attending school in Heeg, in 1910 at the age of eighteen he came along to Whitinsville. Since then he has compiled a service record here of forty-nine years. In 1921 he married Tillie Alberta. They have raised a fine family of four: Fred, now living in Lynden, Washington; James, in Uxbridge; Mrs. Sarah Oordt of Tucson, Arizona; and Mrs. Edith Kaczowka of this town. Fred and Tillie have nine grandchildren. Fred is a member of the Christian Reformed Church. He devotes his leisure time to building small boats and to gardening.

George Durant has returned to work after serving on jury duty in District Court of Worcester. . . . A double shower took place at the Uxbridge Progressive Club on January 31 in honor of the approaching marriage of Walter Duso and Lorraine Brochu, who works in the Production Office. Walt can tell you, anytime you ask him, right to the hour when his big day will arrive. We all wish them the best of luck and happiness. . . . Mary Hugley returned to work after a brief absence. We understand she's bowling well enough to claim her husband's spot on his bowling team. . . . We miss Inez Adams who left us to return to Department 411. . . . We welcome Gail Parks who has assumed the duties of stock clerk at 427. Gail hails from Caribou, Maine, which is just a hop, skip, and a jump from the Canadian border.



Fred Kramer, Roving Small Parts personality, and Mrs. Tillie Kramer are shown with their grandsons, Jimmie and Bobby



JESSE A. McCALL

APPOINTED SALESMAN

It has been announced that Jesse Alvin McCall has been appointed a Whitin salesman and has been assigned to the Atlanta office. Mr. McCall received his degree in textile manufacturing from North Carolina State College in 1946. A veteran of World War II service in the Philippines, he currently holds the rank of colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve. After serving as Superintendent of the Harden Mfg. Co., in 1950 he joined the Pneumafil Corporation as Sales Engineer in Georgia-Alabama territory. Later he served the Diehl Mfg. Company in the same capacity. He and Mrs. McCall, the former Eleanor Self of Raleigh, N. C., have two sons and a daughter. The McCalls presently live in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

CUTTING-OFF JOB

by *Irene Mombourquette*

On January 8, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bosma welcomed back their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Lafleur, and infant granddaughter who arrived home from Hawaii. . . . I received a letter from Mrs. Ronald Collins (Janet Harding) who now resides in Malden. She says "hello" to all her old friends. . . . I ran into another old friend one day in January. He is Edward Ovian, who is now attached to the Whitinsville Post Office. He says to remember him to all.



A firm believer in obeying the rules requiring the wearing of goggles is Mrs. Agnes Picard of Labonte's Court, Lincoln. Her goggles saved the sight of her right eye when the wheeldresser she was using in Department 405 split. Agnes is a grinder of small parts in the Cast Iron Room

... Ralph Aspinwall was on jury duty through the month of February. . . . A welcome back goes to Gloria LaRoche who has been out for the past four years and also to Wilfred Milette and Frank Tingley who have been out since last year. . . . Welcome to 410 to the newcomers: Gerard Lefebvre, Roger Goulet, Henry Wamsley, and Francis Wall. . . . Best wishes in February go to Arthur "Jerry" Lemire and Sylvia on their 24th anniversary and to Ernest Lemire on his birthday. Many happy returns of the day to all of them. . . . Ralph and Helen Aspinwall recently attended the boat show in Boston. . . . We have a cribbage team here at 410. During the lunch hour you may learn all the rules of the game. It's a hectic half hour when Lorenzo "Soi" Boulanger and Harold Kelliher are at it. We've yet to decide who is the champ.

METAL PATTERNS

by Al Cencak

Our personality of the month is Roger E. Gosselin, engraver in Department 402, who was born in Sherbrooke, Canada, on September 17, 1920. He came to Northbridge when he was nine years old. Roger now owns his own home on Cooper Road, Northbridge. He is married to the former Irene Christian, also of Northbridge. Roger is a veteran of World War II who served with the Airborne Engineers in the South Pacific. Roger's spare time is now taken up with his fishing, hiking, swimming and gardening.

Larry Bombara has received his 15-year pin. . . . Rollie Wilson celebrated his thirty-second birthday on February 2. . . . Bart Shugrue gained a daughter when his son was married recently. . . . Bunky Kiernan had forty-seven years service in the Whitin Machine Works on Lincoln's Birthday. Bunky is partial to the *Daily Record* for his weather reports. . . . Andy Frieswiek and Bob Caston have what they call a boat on Bireh Pond, although others say it looks more like a sub. . . . One way to save face is to keep the lower half shut. . . . Hats off to Henry Forget. He is putting his son Robert through Holy Cross College, a-not-so-easy financial task these days. . . . Bart Shugrue's son wanted some anti-freeze for his car and Bart told him there was some in an Eskimo ean in the cellar. There were two eans, and the one that was poured in the radiator was one that had shellac in it. . . . Paul Mintoft had his forty-sixth birthday on January 15. . . . Bart Shugrue likes Hawaiian music. It keeps him in shape for his summer hula-hoop eontests. . . .



Roger Gosselin, Metal Pattern personality of the month, was born in Sherbrooke, Canada. He enjoys outdoor activities

Is it true or was it just a rumor? I heard that Ed Scott and Paul Mintoft made holes in the ice to practice their golfing. That's what I call shooting in the 30's. . . . Have you ever heard Bart Shugrue sing "Are you really, really mine" in Armenian, or did George ever tell you about Waterbury, Conn., where he was born? . . . Henry Forget, our meteorologist, has his own theory on rainbows. He maintains they originate from a lake in New Hampshire. It could be the rainbow trout are working overtime. . . . Card games are according to Riley now, not Hoyle. Please, no more banging on the table. . . . We have only three bachelors on the job now, but one of them is weakening. I would really like to seop the local papers on this—what do you say, boy? . . . Of course women aren't what they used to be. They used to be girls. . . . Roger has a para-

keet that knows both the King's English and slang. The problem is, how do you punish a parakeet for using soap-and-water words? . . . It looked like F. D. R.'s double sitting in the office with that long eigarette holder, but it was only our boss, Harry Daubney. . . . That wasn't California smog in the Department February 9. It was the smoke from the cigars Don Henry passed out. He is the proud father of a baby girl, his first ehild. . . . See you all at the Whitin Fish and Game Club annual opening on April 11.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING, AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

We are glad to see some of our old help coming back to these departments and hope that shortly everyone will have returned. . . . In the past few months so many had been transferred that we could not keep up with events happening to them. Any omissions were not intentional. I hope that soon I can get around to interviewing a lot of the men who have received service pins. Among these are Bill LeClair, Alex Wilson, Guiles Ward, and Alec McFarland. . . . Among those who have celebrated wedding anniversaries lately are Michael Feen, Alfred Nolet, Kenneth Proctor, Bob Williams, James Strachen, Bill Hall, Herman Haringa, Alex Wilson, Bob Gellately, Dennis Cournoyer, Roy Krumbholz, and Bill LeClair. . . . Celebrating birthdays in January, February and March were Joe Gauvin, Wade Mills, Henry Barnett, James Scott, Tony Iannitelli, Carmen DeFillipo, William Demague, and Germain Desrosiers.

We were pleased to hear that an old friend of ours, and one that a lot of you will remember, Chris Oolovgian, has been made a vice-president of the Board of



Chris W. Oolovgian, brother of Walter Oolovgian of Department 433, was a member of the 76th Fighter Squadron, 23rd Group, of the famed Flying Tigers when this picture was taken. He is now a vice-president of the 14th Air Force Association, Inc.

Directors of the original Flying Tigers of the 14th Air Force Association, Inc. Chris now lives with his family in Upper Darby, Pa., and was one of the first to serve under the famous Lt. General C. L. Chennault as a tail gunner in China during World War II. His brother Walter is employed in Department 433.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by *Marcel Turgeon*

Henry A. Belanger, our personality this month, is a person who is always on the go. Although he was born in Canada on May 15, 1919, his parents moved to Whitinsville when he was three months old. He graduated from Northbridge High in 1937 after excelling in sports. He was captain of the untied and undefeated football team of 1936 which, coached by former all-American tackle Buzz Harvey of Holy Cross, scored 289 points to their opponents 7. During World War II he entered the Infantry in 1944, took his basic training at Camp Croft, S. C., and served overseas for two years in Caserta and Naples, Italy. In 1946 he was discharged at Ft. Devens with the rank of T/4. Now a supervisor in receiving and shipping, Henry has been with Whitin for twenty years. He and Bernice Campo were married in St. Patrick's Church on September 23, 1940. They and their three children, Gail, Jimmy, and Elaine, live at 68 North Main Street. Henry likes all sports, watching TV, and is looking forward to the warmer weather when he plans to spend as much time as possible with his family at their cottage at Point Judith. Given a chance, he is apt to burst out in a song. He is a great hand at cooking.

We were pleased to learn via mail that Robert H. Fougere, formerly of the Packing Job, is now ping-pong champ of the

Seventh Army Eastern Region. Playing in Gerszewski Barracks in Ettlingen, Germany, Bob beat his opponent in two straight games in the finals with identical scores of 21-13.

Congratulations to Lucien Jacques, Earl Racicot, and Roger F. Vallee on receiving their 15-year pins; to Edward Stochaj, Arthur Malo, and Michael Smith on receiving their 10-year pins; and to Yvette Picard on receiving her 5-year pin. . . . We are happy to see again the familiar faces of Carolyn Ebbeling, Mary Ellen



Pfc. Robert H. Fougere, formerly of the Traffic Department but now of Company C, 78th Engineering Battalion, has won the Seventh Army Eastern Region Ping-Pong Championship at a tournament held in Ettlingen, Germany. He received the trophy from Captain Arthur R. Simpson

Gagnon, Mary Ryan, Robert F. Bernard, Aldege Guilbert, Harvey Boulay, Armand Turcotte, and Grace E. Cummings. . . . Our sick bay list has been as follows. John F. Wasiuk, who was hospitalized for several weeks, is now recuperating at home. Roland Dunn underwent two operations. Louise Gervais spent some time in St. Vincent Hospital. Eugene Lamontagne was at The Memorial Hospital. . . . Should you be faced with the problem of removing a cat from an automatic dryer, call on Joe Landry. He does a good job. . . . Happy birthdays to Lorraine Dufault and Alfred Roy. . . . Wedding anniversaries were observed by Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. Thurston K. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Departie, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Malo, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thayer, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Turgeon. . . . Archie Langlier is the proud uncle of three nieces with February 17 as their birthday. Two of his sister's daughters, Lucille Ann and Jeanne, were born in Providence Lying-In Hospital; the third, Doris, was born in a Hartford Hospital.



Safety goggles save molder's eyes

SAFETY GOGGLES SAVE MOLDER'S EYES

Damase "Pat" Gariepy, bench molder in the Whitin Foundry, is pointing at the split lens of his safety goggles. The split was caused by molten iron, hotter than 2600 degrees, which splashed while Pat was pouring a mold. This lens saved the sight of one eye. A week later, as Pat was pouring, the same thing happened to the other lens. That lens saved the sight of Pat's other eye. "If it wasn't for these goggles, I wouldn't be working now," said Pat.

WOOD PATTERNS

by *Vera Taylor*

At the deadline for the last issue, this reporter was asleep at the switch—humblest apologies. Since the last time we appeared in print, many birthdays and anniversaries have passed. Hearty greetings, belated and otherwise. Birthdays: January, David Richardson; February, Raymond Fullerton; March, Raymond Stanovich; April, Alfred Sutcliffe, Albert John and Vera Taylor. Anniversaries: January, Joseph Fenner; February, Julien Masson, Vera Taylor, David Richardson, Arthur Stohlbom and Robert Shaw. . . . Congratulations to George Gauthier who belatedly received his 15-year pin from Donald L. Sangster in December. George has been with Whitin Machine Works since July, 1953. . . . We are happy to welcome back Florence Bileau who has been re-



Norman Beauchamp of Department 416 shot this 11-point buck in Great Barrington on December 1

cuperating from an operation at St. Vincent's Hospital. We sorely missed Florence while she was gone and even had to cancel the Christmas Party in her absence. . . . In the past months we have had with us as observers apprentices Edgar Chapdelaine, Robert Bowen, and Bernard Wiersma. We hope their periods of observation were pleasant and enlightening.

STEEL FABRICATION

by Alfred H. Nichols

We're always glad to welcome newcomers into our department. We introduce Edgar Hughes, who hails from Cumberland, R. I., and who is a welder on the second shift. . . . Returning to Storesroom 26 is Russell Hayward, recalled after a lay-off. . . . We must mention John Casey, second shift welder, and Russell L. Rosborough, recently assigned to the day welding crew. . . . Charlotte McKee has been appointed production clerk to work with planner

James M. Fitzgerald. . . . Sam Allen, Sr., appointed as "number one man" in the grinding section, is producing some very good comber sliver tables. Sales should start booming as a result of his good work!

In the local political arena, Upton's Deputy Chief of Police Gene Closson of Storesroom 26 is seeking re-election as constable and Russ Rosborough is a candidate for the Uxbridge Welfare Board. . . . On our sick leave roster is Thomas Coady of Millville. We hope he will be better soon. . . . Tom "Tonto" Pottie says to keep his name out of the column for this month—we dood it! . . . The new plan of paying by checks was at first received with a number of groans by many, but as the weeks go by the groaners are getting acclimatized to the new system. One request is always present though—Why not have all pay checks in their own private envelope? Such a move would be welcomed by many of the Whitin Machine Works employees.

BOX JOB

by Alice Travaille

Due to missing last month's issue, we have a lot of belated news—on November 19, Al Kapolka received his 25-year pin from Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, and Mr. Cunningham. We hope to have Al's friendly personality around for a long time to come. . . . Belated birthdays are those of Paul Grenon and myself for January; Al Blanchette for February. For March, Al Kapolka receives our best wishes for a happy birthday, and Jim Dorsey for April. . . . Al Blanchette became a grandfather for the third time on January 17, with the birth of a son to Henry and Della Blanchette. . . . On our sick list have been Paul Roy with an injured thumb, Benny Oles who was partially incapacitated with a bad hand rash, Jim Dorsey, and this reporter. Our thanks to Thelma Fease and Andreas Bartzokis for taking over so efficiently the office duties. . . . Chillo Lariviere is well on his way to winning first prize in the *Daily Record* face contest, with about fifty puzzles completed. As he says, the next puzzles will "separate the men from the boys," and he may fall by the wayside. Let's hope he makes it all the way. . . . Transferring here to help out, now that we are a little busier, are Carl Larsson and Gene Gervais. We hope they'll like it here. . . . Al Blanchette and Paul Grenon attended the annual Northbridge Special Auxiliary Police banquet held this year at the Klondike Inn. This year the members of the Auxiliary are doing cruiser duty evenings with the regular policemen. . . . The members of the department wish to thank Mrs. Aileen Willis for all her past help and wish her the best of luck in her leave of absence for domestic reasons. . . . We extend sympathy to Ralph Nolet on the recent death of his uncle. Ralph spent a week in Whitinsville due to the bad road conditions.



The members of the Home Garden Club met at the Fire Station on February 17 for a supper and their annual business meeting. An entertainment followed the election of officers

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Aram Sisoian

Recently at our town elections Arthur Adams, supervisor of the first and second floors at Research, was elected a trustee of our War Memorial. At the Douglas town elections this year Joe Kostka was elected constable. We congratulate both and know that they will do very commendable jobs in their responsibilities. . . . Since our columns are now coming out bi-monthly, we have a host of birthdays and anniversaries to observe. First, in March John Hapworth, Myron Chace, Virginia Burke, and Chris Walsh celebrate their birthdays. . . . To Mr. and Mrs. George Gigarjian we wish the happiest of anniversaries. . . . Birthdays being observed in April are by Ernie Zimmermann, Isaac Peloquin, Rupert Smith, and Elaine Dupre. . . . Those celebrating anniversaries are Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Meotti, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lash, and Mr. and Mrs. William Strzelewicz. To all we wish the happiest of days. . . . On

March 1, Elaine Dupre was entertained at a miscellaneous shower held in the Good Shepherd Church Parish House in Linwood. The wedding will take place on April 18. Her fiance is Donald Gosse, Department 411, who was recently discharged from the U. S. Army.

WAGE STANDARDS

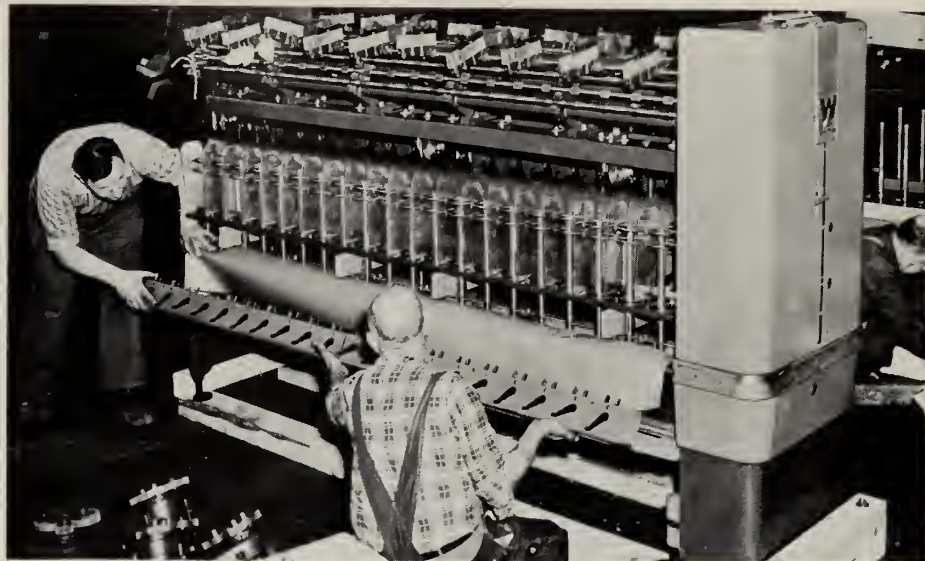
by Muriel Garcelon

It's been a long time since this department has had a column in the SPINDLE, so we hope you will forgive us if some of this issue's news is rather ancient. We will try to keep up to date in the future.

Personality of the month—Donald Frieswyk, who for the past four and a half years has lived at 10 West Water Street, was born in Whitinsville on April 25, 1938. He is a graduate of Northbridge schools. He came to Whittin about eighteen months ago and is employed in Wage Standards. He likes both softball and bowling and his greatest thrill is beating Bob Tancere in bowling every week. A sports fan, he follows the fortunes of such Boston teams as the Red Sox, Bruins, and Celtics. His vacations are usually spent with the Massachusetts Air National Guard from Logan Airport, Boston, at Otis Air Force Base on the Cape. Don's happy-go-lucky manner keeps all of us cheered up. We have yet to see him in a gloomy or disagreeable mood.

Since the last issue, we have added several new persons to our number. Donald Frieswyk is back with us after an absence of several months. Frank Thomas is now working with Donald Amiro on the inventory control program. Mrs. Jane Longmuir was working in the file crib for a time, but has now left us and has been replaced by Mrs. Evelyn Hobbs. Margaret "Sandy" Bishop has joined our typing force. Sandy used to work for Mr. Max Thompson before leaving to assume domestic duties. Beverly Conary of Uxbridge is also with us now, and Muriel Garcelon is taking the place of Eileen Jussaume, who is now living in Northboro. We extend a hearty welcome to all the newcomers and hope that they will enjoy working in this department.

The virus claimed several victims during the past two months. Russell Lupien, Harold Thayer, George Pearce, Joe Sampson, John Romasco, Gordon Rattray and Chester Inman were all out for several days with the bug. Glad to have them back again and hope that they will enjoy good health from now on. We are glad to welcome back Carl Porter who was absent from our number for a while due to a spell in the hospital. . . . John Romasco's daughter has been accepted for nurses training at The Memorial Hospital in Worcester. John is rightly proud of her, and we wish her success in her chosen career. Jean Cahill our crib attendant, is now Mrs. Richard SanSouci. She and Dick of the Cost Department were married on February 6 and enjoyed a honeymoon in New York City. (Don't



The first shipments of production models of the Piedmont Spinning Frames were made to Jefferson Mills, Jefferson, Georgia, on September 16 and 17. The frames were shipped in sectional units to facilitate erection at the mill. Top photo—Stephen Stanick and Michael DerKosroffian prepare a sectional unit for shipping. Bottom photo—Trucker Lionel Heneault loads the sectioned frames into the trucks for shipment to the mill. This first shipment consisted of thirteen frames

mention climbing the Statue of Liberty to Jean for a long time.) We wish them every happiness in their married life. . . . From the pictures we have seen of Edgar Haworth's grandson, we would judge that he is a very good looking boy, but it's no wonder with a handsome grandfather like Edgar. If he has Edgar's personality, he'll do all right. His name is Carl William and he lives in Texas with his mother, Edgar's daughter Barbara, and his dad, Bud Brandt, formerly of Whitinsville. Even though Edgar wouldn't admit it, we know that he is mighty proud of his grandson.

Gossip item: Is it a coincidence that the day after Donald Amiro was elected to the Board of Appeals in the Northbridge Town elections, he and his wife Milly purchased a brand new Hillman Sports car? 'Nuff said. . . . To Johnny Romasco—Why don't you sell your car and buy a bicycle? . . . To all in general—we do not like cats in this department!

. . . Birthdays for February and March: Gordon L. Spence, Evelyn Hobbs, Donald Amiro, Earl Briggs, Muriel Garcelon, John Romasco, Howard Sears, Frank Thomas. Happy birthday and many more to all of the above.

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

It is so long since I have written a column that some of the things that would have been news a month ago are just common ordinary knowledge today. . . . A meeting of the Process Engineering Benefit Society took place in the office on January 26 at 12:30 p.m. Election of officers for the year 1959 was the business at hand. Paul Wheeler was elected president; Frank DeHaas, vice president; Mary Anderson, secretary; and Hope Brown, treasurer. Auditors are Alfred Capone and Frank Budnick. . . . Donald Lange has left us to



Mason P. Thomas, former president and general manager of the Hadley-Peoples Mfg. Company, recently joined the sales organization of the Whitin Machine Works. Assigned to the new machinery sales division, he is working out of the Charlotte, N. C., office. Mr. Thomas was born in Charlottesville, Va., and is a graduate of North Carolina State College with a B.S. degree in textile manufacturing. He is married to the former Jane Grimes of Raleigh, N. C. They have three sons and four grandchildren

work elsewhere. A party was held for him at Kite's in Fisherville on February 20. He was given a purse and everyone had a wonderful time. We hope he likes his new work and that things work out well for him. . . . Happy birthdays to Albert Charbonneau, Walter Frieswick, Abram Leiber, Archie Misakian, Rene Morel, Everett Swenson, Hope Brown, John Watson, and James McGuigan for March; in April for Alfred Capone, Paul Wheeler and son on the same day, Rene Thibault, and Philip Kooistra. . . . Henry Bailey and Charles Brouwer left the employ of the Whitin Machine Works on March 13. We wish them happiness in their new positions. Gilbert Baker has taken Charles' place and Archie Misakian will take Gilbert Baker's place on A.T.F. work. . . . Earl Mason has also been transferred to this department.

ACCOUNTING

by Jacqueline Lemire, Gloria Novack, and Nancy Trainor

One thing can never be said about the Accounting Department, and that is that it never changes. This month we again have new faces, familiar faces leaving, and changes from one group to another. Kermit Bickford and Norman Shaw, both formerly of Payroll, are listed among the new faces and we extend to them a hearty *bien-*

venue. Over sixty co-workers of Margaret Crosby and Joe O'Rourke bid them goodbye at a luncheon. Margaret will take up her duties as a housewife and Joe has found employment with another firm. Florence LeBeau has transferred to Phil Johnson's group and Gloria Rainey has taken over where Florence left off. Florence, it seems, was given a farewell fit for a V.I.P.! She even received going-away cards.

Lucien Horent will be gone for a while as he will be on jury duty in Providence. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawton are rightfully proud of their daughter, Kathleen, who was recently notified that she's passed her State Boards for nursing. A wonderful climax after three years of hard work. Congratulations, Kathleen. . . . Have you noticed a new type of animal cruising around town lately? It's aqua and cream, but Shirley McNamara insists that it's not an animal or bug but her new Hillman-Minx and that she's crazy about it. (P.S.—The gas mileage is wonderful, too!) . . . Howard Anderson is again listed among the town fathers as he was re-elected to the office of selectman in the recent elections. Congratulations! . . . On February 18 the girls said farewell to Eva Lundberg's mother, Mrs. Crabb, at a dinner at the Oyster Cabin. Helen Cotter and Eileen Forsythe put on a little impromptu floor show which had everyone roaring. Eva went to New York City on February 28 when her mother sailed home to England on the *Queen Elizabeth*. A shower was held for Pauline Reynolds on February 10 at the home of Evelyn Maziarka and the girls from Payroll were there en masse, plus a few ex-Payroll girls, namely Betsy Aldrich and Pat Gaddas. The latter has returned temporarily to Payroll to fill in while Evelyn Maziarka is out on sick leave.

The newly-combined groups of the



Newell S. Oliver retired on March 6 after working here since July, 1916. A native of South Portland, Maine, he now lives at 54 Overlook Street



The Belfry Tower bell was rung by hand for the last time on February 16. Cliff Ballou of Plant Security was the man at the rope. The bell is now operated electrically

Wishing Well and the Friendship Fund, now both under the name "Friendship Fund," held their first election with the following results: Chairman, Joseph Krol; Secretary, Beatrice Gauthier; Treasurer, John Shaw; Auditor, Roland Farrar; Board of Directors, Patricia Richardson, Nancy Trainor and Jackie Lemire. The Board of Directors set up the following committees: Gift, Cathy Reeves, Vicki Roy, and Shirley McNamara; Entertainment, Ted Froh, Gloria Novack, Jean Legere, and Fay Goggins; Nominating, Dick Hanny, Helen Duggan, and Bertha Bernier.

Wild rumors were traveling throughout the shop when Dick Hanny was seen carrying blueprints out of the shop every day at 5:00 p.m. We found that Dick was actually doing his good deed for the day by taking Oscar Erickson's work to him when Oscar was out sick. . . . On January 31 Roland Farrar was presented a ministerial robe and communion set for shut-ins by Mr. Philip B. Walker who is Chairman of the Board at the Providence Barrington Bible College. Mr. Walker made the presentation at the Northbridge Center Congregational Church on behalf of Roland's co-workers. We would like to extend our apologies to Roland for the error made in last month's edition concerning his name under his photograph. It's one of those unsolved mysteries of how it occurred, but we offer our sincerest apologies. . . . April and May see Joseph Platakis, Everett Grant, Ken Crossman, Mona Paine, Francis Saunier, Bernice Plante, Henry Lawton, Leroy Benner, Marshall Clark, Shirley McNamara, Earl Eccleston, Paul Trinque, Joyce Brown, Joanne Dargan, Dottie Albin, Ernest Chase, Jean Legere, Annie Plantinga, Pauline Reynolds, and Rosalie Lent celebrating birthdays. . . . Anniversary con-

gratulations during these two months are also extended to John and Yvonne Lash, Joyce and Walter Brown, Dorothy and Robert Hamblin, Arleen and Alfred Morin, Leroy and Carrie Benner, Roscoe and Ruth Knight, Carl and Eva Dupree, Tom and Betty Altoonian, Roland and Dot Farrar, Florence and Morris Perry, and Armand and Theresa Plouffe. . . . In January Joyce Brown, of the night shift in Machine Accounting, received her 10-year pin. . . . Beatrice Gauthier, who has done such a good job on the SPINDLE column for the last two years or so, has resigned and Gloria Novack is the new member of the staff. We heartily thank Bea for all she did and did so well for the Cost Department column. . . . Al Drewniak has given us the exclusive news that the wedding date has been set for September 5 at St. Stanislaus Church in Woonsocket, R. I. . . . That's about it for this month, but if you have any news, please let any of the above reporters in on it.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Marge Newton and Tad Wallace

Our personality this month is Norman Jussaume. Norm is a native of East Douglas. He is a graduate of Douglas Memorial High School who furthered his education at the Ruth Carmen School of Auditioning and the Eastern Radio School. Before coming to Whitin, Norm was employed in the designing office of the Hayward Schuster Company and worked as a salesman for the Sherwin-Williams Company of Worcester. A World War II veteran, Norm served in the Army for five years, three of these years in the Central Pacific area. He was in the Medical Corps, spent some time in special



John J. Rutana, inspector of shell cores in the Core Room, retired on February 27 after working here since June, 1912. He was born December 15, 1894, and now lives at 822 Providence Road

service, and attended an Army Supply School in Honolulu. In November, 1947, Norm and the former Sophie Kostka of East Douglas were married. They are the proud parents of a 10-year old daughter, Gail, and a son, Grant, age 6 years. Norm has a full life. An ardent Red Sox fan, he enjoys all athletics. As for participation, he is active in the Production Department Golf League as a player and as league president. He is a member of the State of Massachusetts Association of Tax Collectors and Treasurers by reason of the fact that he is the present tax collector for the town of Douglas. He holds memberships in the Ichthus Club, Joseph J. Michna Post VFW, has served on the Douglas School Committee, and has been active in Little League. Norm says, "I can always find something to keep me busy."

Our congratulations to the following recipients of service pins: 15 years—Albert Boileau, Doris McCray, Marguerite Londergan, Joseph Beaubien, John Lemire, John Gilchrist, Joseph Mercak, and Irene Kalvinek; 10 years—Gerald Lauzier, Walter Conary, William Mayberry, Oscar Asadorian, Thomas Kellaher, Robert Bethel, Blanche Fullerton, Paul Duggan, Robert Pratt, Edmund Allega, Leo Dufresne, Ann Cupka, Louis Beauceage, Helen Dagirmanjian, S. Butler Smith, and Willard Dalrymple; 5 years—Janet Lawrence.

Henrietta Hoogendyke has a new Nash Rambler. We hope the salesman included road maps as part of the equipment. Recently, Henrietta and Betty Lanagan had appointments with a hairdresser. Henrietta furnished the transportation to Manchaug, which was a nice gesture. However, the beauty salon they were headed for was not in Manchaug but in

Grafton. We are unable to state who made the appointments. . . . Earle Martinson, Lucien Champagne, and Francis Saunier recently received awards from the Suggestion Committee. Our sincere congratulations are hereby tendered to the recipients. . . . Francis Saunier has transferred from Production to the Cost Department. His duties in the Production Department have been taken over by Louis J. Chabot III. . . . Allan F. McCrea has transferred his operations to the Subcontract Division.

You are probably aware that the United States Air Force officially disbanded the Ground Observer Corps (GOC) as of January 31, 1959. You are probably not aware that this very important phase of our national defense program was maintained by many of our friends and neighbors who willingly gave of their time to make this an effective project. We are deeply grateful to every last person who participated and would like to take the opportunity to make notice of some outstanding performances. We are speaking first of Vic and Muriel Romasco who were in the program since 1953, maintaining an observation post at their home on Linwood Avenue until 1957 when the post was transferred to East Douglas. The Romascos each served 5000 hours for which they received appropriate medallions and certificates from Major General Harold W. Grant, Deputy Chief of Operations, and a citation from President Eisenhower. These awards were the highest given in this district. At the time of disbanding, Dorsey Devlin, Chief Ground Observer at the Douglas post, received similar awards for 3000 hours of service. We feel certain that everyone joins us in offering our



Edward Bibeau, a drill operator on the Bolster Job, retired last November 14 after working here since March, 1915. Born September 28, 1889, he now lives at 1 Elm Place, Whitinsville



Oskar Mayr of 21 Forest Street, Whitinsville, retired from the Card Erecting Department on December 31 after working here since July 21, 1928. A native of Vienna, Austria, Mr. Mayr worked for a number of textile machinery firms prior to joining Whitin where he was a first class fitter



Mystery photo—on the left is Foundry Superintendent Raymon F. Meader, Sr. On the right is a present employee photographed in 1926

sincere congratulations and thanks to Vic, Muriel, and Dorsey for a job extremely well done.

Your reporters take this opportunity to tell you that we did not have a column in the January-February issue mainly for the lack of news. This happens on occasions and we hope you will help us to prevent it from happening again.

ENGINEERING AND MASTER LIST DEPARTMENTS

by Louis Lucier and Frances Healey

We welcome the following to our Departments: Helen Aldrich, typist in the Engineering Standards Section; Bob Lataille, Apprentice in the Engineering Department; Clarence A. Carpenter, Jr. appointed head of the Engineering Standards Section; and Elizabeth Brissette, back in the blueprint section. . . . Glad to have Joe Branigan back with us after his recent illness. . . .

On Thursday, March 5, a party was tendered at the N.V. Cafe in honor of Bill Hobart. Bill left us on March 6. . . . Belated anniversary congratulations go out to Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Deshaies who celebrated on February 7. . . . Birthdays in January were celebrated by the following: Harold Miller, Alan Hastings, and G. Boutilier. Birthdays in February were observed by: C. Olney, Dorothy Magowan, E. Dumas, Philip O'Grady, Wallace Meigs, John Greenlund, Les Benton, and A. Briand.

Our personality for the month is Roy Gaddas of Engineering. Roy lives at 78 High Street with his wife Patricia (who formerly worked in Payroll Computation) and their young daughter, Debora Lee. He was born in Somerville, Mass., but attended Northbridge High School. He also is a graduate of the Whitin Apprentice School and is now attending the Rhode Island School of Design at night. His hobby is woodworking. He spent a year in Korea with an army searchlight company. Roy is a likeable and energetic man.



Arthur Vincent of the Main Office, left, who seals the check envelopes, was the first person to receive his pay by the new system. He received this first check from Leroy A. Rollins in the mail room on January 6

REPAIR SALES DIVISION

by Virginia Lindblom

Madeleine Lever and family have taken up residence in Waltham. We wish them happiness in their new surroundings. . . . We belatedly welcome to our office Mary Haggerty and Irene Tiberian who are working evenings. . . . Mary Galleshaw and Esther Anderson have been transferred from the Main Office to our department. We hope that they both will be very happy here. . . . A party was held at the Sea and Surf in Framingham on February 19 for Lucille Buma who has left. . . . Birthday greetings for February to Helen Tatro, Ann Wiersma, Charles Noble, and Lucille Buma. Incidentally, St. Valentine's Day is the birthday of Charlie and Lucille. Their birthday was celebrated Friday noon-time, February 13, when we enjoyed ice cream and cake. . . . Happy anniversary to Nancy MacIntyre, the only one to greet in February. . . . A March birthday greeting to Mildred Sylvester and Tom Marshall.

For World War I Veterans

If you are a World War I veteran or the relative or friend of such a veteran, this should interest you. Many World War I veterans are eligible for a pension of \$78.75 a month, yet only one out of five is collecting. The only reason that more are not collecting is that they don't know that they are eligible.

To qualify for a pension, the veteran must have at least ninety days of military service, with some part of it within the official World War I period. Depending on his age, the veteran must have a varying degree of disability which is not connected with his military service. At 65, a veteran need only be ten per cent disabled, and the VA considers advancing age itself a disabling factor. If you are a World War I veteran and are 65—most WWI veterans are—and have any kind of a permanent disability, you will probably get a pension.

The income of the veteran, if he is to collect a pension, may not go above \$1400 a year for a single person or above \$2700 for a man with dependents. However, any income his wife has doesn't count as part of his income, neither does any other money he receives from

the VA, nor does the pension itself. Government retirement payments, including Social Security, and private pension payments do not count until he has received back a sum greater than he had put into the retirement plans.

For further details, communicate with Arthur Broadhurst, Director of Veterans Services, Town Hall, Whitinsville.



To E. Kent Swift, Jr., First Vice President, and Mrs. Swift, a son, Elijah Kent Swift, III, weight 6½ lbs. in Boston Lying-In Hospital on February 28. Elijah Kent Swift, III is the grandson of E. Kent Swift, Sr., Chairman of the Board, and great, great, great-grandson of John C. Whitin, founder of the Whitin Machine Works.

To Joseph VandenAkker and Gertrude Ebbeling VandenAkker, a son, Joseph, Jr.

To Robert F. Gonynor, Department 401, and Mrs. Gonynor, a son, Stephen Michael, weight 8 lbs. 14 oz., in Whitinsville Hospital on December 19.

To Kenneth Piper, Jr., Department 434, and Mrs. Piper, a daughter, Kathy Ann, weight 8 lbs., in Milford Hospital on February 1.

To Francis Jacobs, Department 422, and Mrs. Jacobs, a daughter, Francine, weight 8 lbs. 11 oz., in Whitinsville Hospital on January 3.

To James Davidson and Joan Hutcheson Davidson, formerly of Repair Sales, a daughter, Kerri Lee, weight 10 lbs. 1 oz., in The Memorial Hospital on December 15.

To Donald Henry, Department 434, and Thelma Henry, a daughter, Deborah, weight 8 lbs., in Whitinsville Hospital on February 7.

To Edward Jerominek, Department 570, and Mrs. Jerominek, a daughter, Lori Anne, in The Memorial Hospital on January 10.

To Bert McGaw, Department 594, and Flora McGaw, a daughter, Caryl Elizabeth, weight 7 lbs. 8 oz., in The Memorial Hospital on January 11.

To Philip O'Grady, Department 594, and Shirley Fougere O'Grady, a son, James Michael, weight 8 lbs. 6 oz., in Whitinsville Hospital on January 20.

To Milton Jenkins, Department 434, and Mrs. Jenkins, a daughter, Cathy Anne, weight 6 lbs. 14 oz., in Milford Hospital on February 26.

To Edward Rabitor, Department 417, and Mrs. Rabitor, a daughter, Marilyn, weight 7 lbs. 10 oz., in Whitinsville Hospital on February 5.

To Leopaul Gamelin, Department 448, and Mrs. Gamelin, a daughter, Rita Marie, weight 6 lbs. 7 oz.

To Roland Cournoyer, Department 427, and Mrs. Cournoyer, a son, John Robert, in Woonsocket Hospital, on January 27.



The engagement of Claire Riopel to Albert Merchant of Department 422 has been announced. No date has been set for the wedding.

The engagement of Barbara Buxton of Repair Sales to George Rizzi of Middletown, Connecticut, has been announced. A summer wedding is planned.

William V. Nelson, Apprentice, and Janice E. DeBoer, Machine Accounting, were married on February 26, in Gaffney, S. C.

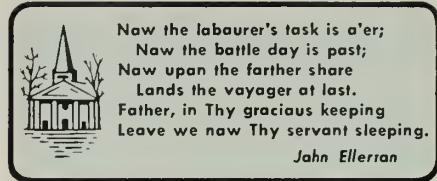


The engagement of Trina J. Wynja, Methods, to William J. Van Dyke, U. S. Navy, of Chicago, Illinois, has been announced. A fall wedding is planned

Donald Gosselin, Department 411, and Elaine Dupre, Research Division, will be married in the Church of the Good Shepherd on April 18.

Richard SanSouci, Department 462, and Jean Cahill, Department 485, were married in Woonsocket on February 6.

Walter Jowaski and Elaine Witek were married in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Linwood, on January 24.



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 Ellerran

Their friends and associates
extend heartfelt sympathy
to the bereaved

Relatives and friends of John Joseph Fitzgerald, 74, who died in St. Vincent Hospital on February 26.

Friends and survivors of Francis X. Roy, 82, who died at his home at 92 Providence Road, Whitinsville, on February 26.

Friends and family of Joseph Pierre Roy, 78, who died at his home at 16 Fletcher Street, on February 10.

Relatives and friends of Frederick Raynor, 88, of Oakhurst Road, Sutton, who died in Whitinsville Hospital on February 15. A native of England, he was a former Whitin road man.

Survivors and friends of George B. Landry, 55, of 342 Summer Street, Franklin, who died at Longwood Hospital, Boston, on February 22.

Family and friends of Ernest A. Thayer, 86, of Baltimore, Maryland, who died January 27. A native of North Smithfield, he was for fifty years a Whitin erector.

Survivors and friends of Bryant Nichols, 73, of 23 Leland Road, Whitinsville, who died on January 9. He was for fifteen years plant librarian.

Friends and relatives of Nicholas LaFleur, 84, of 201 Goldthwaite Road, Whitinsville, who died at Whitinsville Hospital.

Friends and family of Frank W. Noble, 59, of 29 B Street, Whitinsville, who died at The Memorial Hospital on January 12. A native of Uxbridge, he was a soldier, sailor, and vaudevillian.

Relatives and friends of Pierre E. Berthelette, 58, of Main Street, Millville, who died at his home on January 21, 1959.

Friends and survivors of Floris Ebbeling, 43, of 44 Carr Street, Sutton, who died at Whitinsville Hospital on January 25.

Maurice P. Valois, Department 432, upon the death of his father, Pierce Valois, in Manville, R. I., on January 18.

Foreman P. A. Debellis, Department 432, upon the death of his father, Vito S. Debellis, in Providence on January 20.

Leo Roy, supervisor of Storesroom #11, on the death of his father, Frank Roy, on February 25.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hurteau on the death of Mr. Arthur Sawyer of Manville on February 13.

Charles Kheboian, Department 417, on the death of his father on February 17.

H. Irving Dalton, Department 417, on the death of his mother on February 10.

George Remillard, Department 594, on the death of his mother on February 27.

Ferdinand Bouchard, Duplicator Engineering, on the death of his father, Alphonse Bouchard, in Cumberland, R. I., on January 18.

James Ashworth, Department 494, on the death of his aunt, Ellen Ashworth.



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