



INDEPENDENCE

What is independence? We all boast about it, but do we all know its real meaning? And how many are in truth independent—that is, to support ourselves by our own exertions — direction of our own affairs without outside influence?

A really independent person is a rare old bird.

Yet, we hear of so many whose independence prevented them from taking advice or instruction from any one—the class that throw their hands and "jump the job in a minute."

Every man should be independent, but base your independence on certain lines of conduct and individuat rights.

Those who fill any position should be independent up to the point of protecting themselves against indignities, personal abuse or unfair treatment

Professing independence is largely a boast. In fact, in too many instances it is merely a case of misjudement.

Any employer, foreman or official has a perfect right to correct the work and conduct of those under him. Of course, there are, as in every problem, two sides to it—the right and the wrong way.

There are few employers nowadays who choose the latter plan, but there are still a good many workers who are "too independent" to accept correction or suggestion.

Like everything else, there can be too much or too little independence, and like everything else there is a middle path which can be taken without sacrifice of personal principles.

PRESIDENT NOW

Fred Riggin of Port Huron, Michigan, was in the city the week of June 7 on business and incidentally calling on friends. Some twenty-five or thirty years ago he was a member of this organization, serving as stenographer for Mr. Robert Mueller and was also in charge of the stationery department. When the Sarnia plant was established he went there with Mr. Oscar Mueller, later going to the Port Huron plant of which he is now manager.

VISIT FROM JOHN BOYLE

John Boyle of the west coast salesmen, was in Decatur June 5 on a visit to the office and factory. He came east via Michigan to enable him to buy a new Buick which he drove to Decatur. Before returning to his headquarters he drove to Springfield to visit his mother and some old friends. He was formerly a resident of Springfield.

TOO MUCH LEISURE

Too much leisure has been the undoing and ruin of thousands of men, women, boys and girls. Leisure is an excellent thing when used properly otherwise it is an evil. The old saying "the devil finds mischief for idle hands to do," is as true today as hundreds of years ago when first uttered by some ancient philosopher. It always has been an evil in all ages.

One wonders what young people of this day and age do with their idle time. Judged by picture shows, they spend their time in automobiles and on the streets. A fine public library has a small chance against the great variety of distracting attractions

There are young boys and girls, some in this organization today, who may not have had the advantage of much schooling, but that is no reason why they cannot obtain an education. In the Decatur Public Library is the wisdom, education and knowledge of the great scholars and thinkers of all time. Their thoughts, their special learning, their familiarity with past history and their vision of the future, are contained between book covers—the priceless heritage of every boy and girl who aspires to make their way to success in this world.

In business in this country today are hundreds of saccessful men who had little or no education. Many of them sprang from poverty. None of them attained their success through misspent hours of leisure They did it through work and study with an objective in view.

Recreation and leisure are essential, but its close partners are laziness and idleness, which soon crop out when an abundance of leisure is misspent. These would not be so open to criticism if they did not lead into evil habits and evil action.

With the opportunities of today for self-study and self-education, there is no excuse why young people do not advance to greater heights.

Misspent leisure, idleness and laziness are a boomerang which will swing back in future life to deal a blow that will leave you in the unsuccessful and mediocre class.

Don't by your own disregard of present opportunities be one of that class.

AT CHATTANOOGA

L. W. Mueller, R. H. Mueller, Frank Edmonson and Leo Wiant spent several days in Chattanooga recently looking after business matters there.

Paul Jacka spent one day in Decatur, breezing in and out almost before anyone realized he was here.

WEDDINGS

June the Busiest Month Dan Cupid Has Had in a Long Time

Working-Morrison

Mable Working and Luther N. Morrison were married Friday evening, June 18, by Rev. Homer E. Sala of the First Christian church in his home. Miss Grace Stivers and Walter Dush were the attendants.

Mable Working came to work for the Mueller Co. on Nov. 19, 1904, as stenographer. She was never late for work and the only



record of absence in thirty-three years, was a leave of absence in 1914, when she visited her mother and brother in Texas.

Luther Morrison was connected with the Mueller Co. for several years, most of the time in the Polishing Department. He is now a Justice of the Peace.

On Tuesday noon, June 15, the entire office force gathered on the third floor and the bride was presented with a very complete set of Wear-Ever Aluminumware, the gift of the workers on the second and third floors. Mr. Adolph Mueller made the presentation speech.

Tuesday evening the girls in the Office and Cafeteria attended a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Mildred Shannon. Assisting hostesses were Mrs. Helen Brannan, Mrs. Marjorie Tatham, Mrs. Estella Stille, Ethel Dixon, Mrs. Grace Adams, Erma Barth and Helen Rinehart.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Morrison left for a wedding trip to Portland, Indiana. They are now at home at 258 East Leafland avenue.

Doran-Yonker

Miss Mary C. Doran and A. O. Yonker of the Sales Department were married Wednesday, June 23, at 8 A. M. in St. Thomas Catholic chupch by Rev. Fr. Andrew Smith.

The bride wore white satin and carried Lillies of the Valley and roses, and the bridesmaid, Miss Mary Cullen, wore pink mouseline de soie with powder blue hat and slippers, and carried sweetheart roses, sweet peas and delphinium. Tom Payne was best man and ushers were P. J. Doran, brother of the bride, and Gerald Yonker, brother of the bridegroom.

A wedding breakfast was served to the immediate family in the Hotel Orlando, and the couple left for a wedding trip in the east.

Mrs. Yonker is the daughter of the late Mrs. A. Doran and has been employed in Staley's laboratory office. Mr. Yonker is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Yonker, and has been connected with the Mueller organization since September 2, 1914.

Bartlett-Enloe

Miss Betty Bartlett, formerly of the Core Department, and Jack Enloe, Dept. 300, were married Thursday evening, July 1, in the First Methodist church at 5:30. Sixty persons heard Rev. W. W. Cutlip read the service.

The bride wore a princess style dress of beige lace over satin. It was made with full length skirt. Her leghorn hat was banded in brown and had flowers in blue, yellow and pink. She wore a corsage of sweetheart roses and sweet peas in the same three colors.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bartlett, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Enloe.

Following a reception and wedding supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Enloe, the couple left for a honeymoon trip in Michigan. They will live at 1550 N. Summitt avenue.

Hambright-Boggs

Miss Helen Jean Hambright and H. D. Boggs of the Cost Department, were married Friday, June 11, at 5:30 P. M. in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Hambright. Eight immediate relatives heard the service read by Rev. C. W. Flewelling of Central Christian church.

The bride is a 1936 graduate of the Decatur High School and attended the Illinois State Normal University the past year where she was active in dramatics.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boggs, and graduated from Decatur High School in 1933. He has been a member of the Mueller organization since January, 1936.

After a wedding trip to St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Boggs are at home to their friends at 114 E. Johnson avenue.

The couple expect to build a home near South Side Country Club early next spring.

Hoffman-Evans

Miss Lenore B. Hoffman announced her June 14 marriage to Arnold G. Evans, at a party on June 26 for Sigma Alpha Iota Sorority members. Since October, 1936, the bride has been employed in the Core Department. She has been living with an aunt, Mrs. Helen Clark, at 656 W. King street. Mr. and Mrs. Evans will live in Chicago.

Ford-Beinfohr

Georgia Ford of the Core Department and Lavern Beinfohr were married in Bloomington on June 19. They are living at 1342 N. Water street.

Harlan-Hawbaker

Miss Elsie Harlan and Verl T. Hawbaker were married on July 1 at the parsonage of the Third United Brethren church by Rev. Isaac Summers. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Victor Shasteen.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Harlan, 1234 N. Woodford street, and the bridegroom the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hawbaker, 995 West Harrison street, and works in the Maintenance Department.

They are living at 811 North College street.

Following the ball game on Wednesday evening, July 15, at which time the Maintenance Department played the Utility Divjsion, Mr. and Mrs. Hawbaker were the objects of a charivari. They were given conspicious positions in the rear end of a truck and driven around town, followed by a number of cars all wildly serenading the newly married couple.

Behen-Trimmer

Gladys Behen, assembler in Department 9, ard Merle Trimmer of the Construction Department, were married in Chicago, May 28.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Effie Behen, 1028 West King street, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Trimmer, custodian of the Muelier Lodge.

McCurdy-Lake

Ella McCurdy of the Core Department gave up her work on May 20. Since then we learn that she and Virgil Lake were married and are now living at Marseilles, Illinois.

CAMPED IN THE OZARKS

Alex Brule, Dept. 6, celebrated the Fourth by a camping trip to the Ozarks in Missouri⁻ He was accompanied by Mrs. Brule, their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gillmar and family. Mr. Gillmar formerly worked for the Mueller Co. They visited the zoo at St. Louis and returned by the way of Cairo, Effingham and other places. They found the St. Frances river out of its banks, and water over the road in several places, due to a cloud burst near Poplar Bluffs.

EVENTS AT MUELLER HEIGHTS

Besides many picnics at Mueller Heights, the following events occurred there:

June 4—June Jamboree, 1200 present.

June 7—Card party, benefit Camp Kiwanis, at Lodge.

June 12—Annual outing of Mueller's Social Club.

June 13—A. E. F. 130th Infantry Band Veterans annual reunion of band men and families.

June 14—Flag Day for D. A. R. at Lodge. June 18— Girls Welfare Home party at Athletic Club.

June 19—Marian Richards entertained party of girls.

FIRST WOMAN EMPLOYE

Mrs. Minnie Hoit Fischer Pays Visit to Relatives and Mueller Co.

Mrs. Minnie Hoit Fischer and daughter of Oklahoma City visited Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Mueller during the month of June. Mrs. Fischer is a niece of Mrs. Muell r and was a former resident of this city, of which she has many happy memories, especially of her connection with the Mueller Co. She has the distinction of being the first woman employe of the company, filling positions of assistant cashier to Miss Eva Brown and assistant paymaster to C. G. Auer.



Recalling old times -Mrs. Fischer posed at a high desk such as she worked on when a girl and the only woman employe in the Mueller organization.

Mrs. Fischer also treasures an article which appeared in the Review Sept. 27, 1908. This refers to Miss Maude M. Dill, as quotation clerk, still living in Decatur. She is a sister of W. N. Dill, now manager of Mueller Pacific Coast Factory. The article also mentions Mrs. Fischer and Miss Eva Brown, referring to them as three of the highest salaried women in the Decatur business world of those days. The article was a column long and in a measure was a discussion of women's places in business. It pointed out that Mueller Co. had proved their capability in responsible positions.

The article concluded as follows:

"There is a current story about the plant that some of the women who have had the good fortune to occupy the positions entitled to the best salaries have displayed good business judgment in making investments. That having gone into the business world as wage carners competing with the men, not discarding any of the feminine tastes, did acquire some knowledge of a good investment when it was offered. Much of their time being taken up with their work, there was less opportunity for frivolous fancies and one of the results was that cash accumulated. When it had accumulated they were wise enough to invest it in real estate. So the story goes."

THE BROWNS GO MARCHING ON



The cartoouist caught the Brown family busy in Mueller Company's Drafting room at the Chattanooga plant. Reading left to right-Oscar E. Brown, Sr., Oscar E. Brown, Jr., O. Edwin Brown and Ozzie E. Brown,

CHATTANOOGA

Monte Henderson attended the recent Waterworks Convention held in Buffalo.

Mabel Phillips of the Sales Office spent the week of June 14 in South and North Carolina.

Alice Burkhart will be in Daytona Beach Florida, for the week of June 28.

We are sorry to report the following men off due to accidents received while at work Oddie Lee Moss, from the Machine Shop Dave Smith.

Harlie Swanson, of the Machine Shop, reported back to work Monday after losing a few days from work due to an accident.

A colored boy was strolling through a cemetery, (in the daytime, of course) reading the inscriptions on the tombstones. He came to one which read: "Not Dead but Sleeping." scratching his head, he remarked: "He sure ain't foolin nobody but hisself."

We extend congratulations to: Oscar Brown of the Engineering Dept., who was married February 20, to Miss Maud Brimer, and William ("Billy") Stoner, clerk of the Iron Foundry, who was married June 21 to Miss Roberta Thatcher, and to Miss Mildred Seeley, our telephone operator, who was married June 19 to J. B. Edwards.

The Foremen's Club entertained the office force at Chattanooga with a picnic supper at Pan Gap on Tuesday evening, June 22. There was chicken and chicken and chicken. Ask "Huck" Mitchell!

Miss Darljean Sherman was a guest at the picnic. Also other guests at the picnic were: Mr. and Mrs. "Brownie" Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Durrell. Mr. Martin is master mechanic for the Chattanooga Fire Department. Mr. Durrell is connected with the Engineering Department of the City Water Company.

Believe it or not — Cecil Coffin wore Paul Jacka's bathing suit at the picnic and we have a PICTURE! However, the picture is not ready for this month's issue of the Record due to the fact that the first picture taken was too much exposure of Cecil, but we'll have one for you next month.

SARNIA NEWS

E. C. Hiller, head of the Plating Department, attended the convention of the Plating Department, attended the convention of the Plating Association, held in New York. Outside of his duties of being present at the sessions of the association, he was about as busy as a tug boat seeing the sights of the great metropolis, and had many interesting and exciting experiences to tell about. If he missed anything it was no fault of his intentions to make a complete survey of the city. Mr. Hiller had a splendid time, but is only just now recuperating after trying to see the highlights of New York in four days.

Vacations

With the holiday season creeping nearer many are enthusiastically planning for their respite from work. We hope everyone will enjoy a real good time.

We realize also that picnics will soon be the vogue, and that the Annual Bannister Stampede held in Brantford each year, is gradually growing closer. We feel sure that Al. Bannister with his fine new Chevrolet should experience no difficulty in being elected chief for the affair. While we are on the subject of Al. Bannister some of the boys would like to tactfully remind him that the Coronation is now over and the celebration took place on the regulation date. Mr. Bannister bet the boys all around that such would not be the case. The boys are still wondering what night they are supposed to gather at A. Dekelver's homestead to celebrate.

Dennis Tilley is busy accepting invitations to weddings these days, just by way of a rehearsal, as he has very serious intentions we are told.

Yes Sir! we certainly do like Slim's and Ar ry's teeth, with that stream-lined effect and all weather tread.

During the month of June Henry Robertson was the delegate from Sarnia of the Alpha Encampment to the I. O. O. F. Grand Lodge session held in the Royal York hotel, Toron-to. In the way of chatter he heard of the following Torontonian episode:

The doctor was visiting Rastus' wife to de-liver her twelfth offspring. While riding along with Rastus he saw a duck in the road.

Doctor: "Whose duck is that?" Rastus: "That ain't no duck. That's the stork with his legs wore off."

Scottie Milne was a little confused the other day when rushing to the telephone to talk to a customer. He was heard to state that we have "all sizes of half-inch tubing" and sold tanks "five feet and two foot long.

Marge to Marion: "What could be more pitiful or sadder than a man without a country?

Marion: "A country without a man."

Wife: "Every time you see a pretty girl you

forget you're married." Hubby: "You're wrong m'dear. Nothing brings home the fact more forcibly.'

> "Little Willie, what a bother, With a golf club hit his father, Little Willie called to Mar, Look, I've made a hole in par."

MUELLER SOCIAL CLUB

The Mueller Social Club held their annual picnic on Saturday afternoon June 12, at the Mueller Lodge. Šixty-two persons attended and spent a pleasant afternoon and evening. Following the picnic supper an election of officers was held, with the same officers being reinstated for another year. They are President-Mrs. Al. Bashore.

Vice President-Mrs. F. A. March.

Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. Burt Jackson.

Flower Fund-Mrs. O. C. Draper.

It was decided not to meet during the summer months, but to resume with a chicken dinner on the third Wednesday in September. - • -

ON AUTO TOUR

Marian Richards went to Lake Wawassee, Indiana, on July 7 as the delegate of the Delta Theta Tau. She was joined there on July 11 by her sister, Inez, Arletta Ewart, and Eloise Dickson, and the four girls will make an extended auto tour of the east for the next two weeks.

BRASS CHIPS

Fern Pope, nurse, was one of the 55,000 persons who saw Joe Louis knock out Braddock at Comiskey Park on the night of June 99

Dr. Knapp will be here from 12:00 P. M. to 1:00 P. M. on Ffidays instead of Thursdays, as announced in the last issue of the Record. Anyone wishing to have his teeth examined should come to the Employment Dent, at that time,

The Municipal Opera in St. Louis opened the season with "The Great Waltz," based on the life of Johann Strauss, and featuring his lovely waltz, "The Blue Danube," A number from the organization attended on June 12, including Dorothy Hill, Dorothy Uhl, Opal Jackson, Lonise Whitehead, Mary Wilkins, Ferne Pope, Helen Pope, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Borne

Kitty Wilkins, former factory superintendent, was here from Morrisonville early in June and called on his old friends. He brought Mrs. Wilking with him and left her in the lugnital for medical attention. Kitty is now a farmer and likes the outdoor life

Russell Oplinger went through the plant on May 23 and examined particularly the eye-hazards of tool grinders.

We were visited on June 17 by Miss Myrtle Tate, State Inspector for Women

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Brimm, accompanied by the former's sister. Miss Lucille Brimm, and Misses Maybelle and Doris Jean McClure, sisters of Mrs. Karl Brimm, indulged in an enjoyable auto trip early in June. Their chief objective was Starved Rock, where they explored the trails and cliffs. On their return home they visited several of the towns and points of interest, north of Decatur.

Harold Linton, Dept. 300, left June 25, for a sixteen day trip to Denver, Colorado, and points of interest in the west

A number of our people who have been laid off have found work in Peoria, most of them at the Caterpillar Tractor Co.

Thomas Knowles, of the Polishing Department, has been laid up for about three weeks with asthma.

Clarence McVay, watchman at the Los Angeles plant, trippped and fell and broke his collar hone June 15.

Mabel Gates of the Stationery Dept. went to Illiopolis on Thursday, June 16, to attend the funeral of a friend. Mrs. George Roberts.

Clarence Cozad, grandson of Mrs. Philip Mueller, has graduated from the Kentucky Military Institute with honors. He nlans to enter Northwestern University in the fall.

Art Bauer and son, Lee, and Bobert Moore visited the Brass Foundry on June 4.

John Gray of the Foundry has had his teeth taken out and expects to get his dentures this summer.

Julius A. Staudt began work in the Shipping Denartment June 23, 1923, which makes fifteen years for Julius.

Our sympathy goes out to the young man in Dept. 9, who. while hurrying to get some ice cream home before it melted was disasterously detained by a traffic officer.

. MADE MONEY

Although the June Jamboree put on the most elaborate program that has yet been given at Mueller Heights on one of these oc. casions, the attendance was so large that a net balance of \$15.09 was turned over to the recreation fund.

MUELLER EIGHT CLUB S

POLISHERS NO. 1

Front Row, left to right: R. Caudle, E. Conners, W. Lake, Johnson.

Back row, left to right: R. Bulla, C. Mercer, Mathes, N. Poole, D. Baum, H. Adams.

MAINTENANCE DEPT. NO. 2

Front row, left to right: V. Hawbaker, C. Johnson, H. Thompson, W. Moomey, W. Mason.

W. Moomey, W. Mason. Back row, left to right: M. Trimmer, V. Ford, W. Dudley, T. Mc-Gown, Cook, Garver, L. D. Thompson.

PLUMBING DEPT. NO. 3

Front row, left to right: C. Constant, J. Fair, H. Maddox, L. Adams, F. Nash.

Back Row, left to right: P. Ruthrauff, G. Hickman, D. Wilkins, C. Curry, A. Nash, K. Hackman, L. Grisbool.

OFFICE-NO. 4

Front row, left to right: C. Dodwell, H. Roe, T.Roush, G. Yonker, H. Dash,

Back Row, left to right: H. Dempster, M. Coates, W. Roarick, M. Edwards, O. Mills, E. Duncan, O. J. Hawkins, Jr.

NEW BALL FIELD DEDICATED

Speech, Visiting Professionals and a Good Game Were Features

And it was a great night—July 7—when the new soft ball was dedicated. The crowd was all that could been asked for, two games of ball, refreshments, prizes for those who had lucky numbers—and the crowning incident four husky professional ball players of the Cincinnati Reds. They were Paul Derringer, George Kelley, Kiki Cuyler, and Wild Bill Hallahan. These are names known to baseball fans all over the country. After being introduced they posed for a group photograph with Adolph Mueller, Walter Behrns, who umpired the ball game, and little Philip



Mueller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Mueller, in a Cincinnati uniform. The professionals could not tarry long because they were due at Fans Field, where their club played and beat the Commies.

Before the ball game Adolph made a brief speech dedicating the field. He compared athletic contests to business, in that they both depended on team work and co-operation.

Prior to the feature game of the evening the Apprentices and Utility teams gave a little curtain raiser.

Adolph Mueller opened the game between the Mueller soft ball team and the Church of the Brethren, by pitching the first ball. The Brethren were defeated by a score of 9 to 2. The field is splendidly lighted and we are justified in claiming it to be the finest in cen-

FT BASE BALL LEAGUE



tral Illinois. With such a field and good games scheduled, we should all manifest our interest and loyalty by turning out to the games. The result of games played so far and other statistics follow:

Box score for game played at the dedication of the Athletic Field between Church of **Brethren and Mueller All Stars:**

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Mueller-Pitch., Taylor; Dash; catch, Roush. Church of Brethren-Pitch., C. Curry; catch., M. Curry.

Friday night, July 9, the Mueller All Stars played St. John's Lutheran Church, with Mueller winning in the tenth inning by a score of 12 to 11.

UTILITY—NO. 5 Front row, left to right: L. Willliams, E. Fawley, G. Anderson, C. Charnetski, W. Gross, L. Hartwig. Back row, left to right: M. Cur-

ry, Gilmore, H. Hanson, W. Jesawitz, Fore, E. Lowe.

PLANT 2-NO 6

Front row, left to right: E. Merrow, Wittke, C. Murray, I. Bain. Bradley, M. Foster, J. Monska.

Back row, left to right; M. Dudlev, R. Ridgeway, C. Butler, E. Musgraves, D. Butler, H. Sarver, W. Tucker, Bethards, A. Sefton,

SPECIALTIES-NO. 7

Front row, left to right: R. Green. E. Bond, A. Grossman, M. Edwards, J. Enloe.

Back row, left to right: C. Hill, A. Flaugher, E. Hartwig, H. Strat-man, R. Duncan, Curtis, C. Roarick.

APPRENTICES-NO. 8

Front row, left to right: R. Short. G. Hutchins, C. Burchams, L.Bauer, R. Uhler, R. Roarick.

Back row, left to right: R. Tertocha, L. D. Thompson, C. Pippin, W. Dudley, D. Mover.

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St. John's, A. Koshinski, pitch.; E. Hill, catch.

Mueller-Dash, pitch.; Roush, catch.

The Soft Ball League began playing the first week in June and the standings through July 10 are as follows:

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BIRTHS



- LEBO—Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Lebo, Dept. 96, a son, Franklin Dwayne, June 22.
- CONSTANT—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Constant, Dept. 9, a daughter, Sandra Lou, on June 19.
- DUDLEY Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Dudley, Maintenance Department, a daughter on June 11, Sharon LaVone. Mrs. Dudley was Clara Dash before her marriage and worked in the Core Department.
- HANSEN-Mr. and Mrs. Halden Hansen, Foundry, a daughter, Rosalie Cynthia, on June 8.
- BOND-Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bond, Dept. 300,

a son on May 30. He has been named Ernest Jack.

RAUSCHEK—Mr. and Mrs. August Rauschek, Monday, May 31, a son, Charles Augustus Rauschek.

SCHOOL OUT-STUDENTS BUSY

Earl Duncan of the University of Illinois is helping in the Accounting Department this summer.

O. J. Hawkins, Jr., who has finished his junior year at the University of Illinois, is doing vacation work in the Advertising Department.

O. C. Keil, Jr., is spending his summer vacation in the core Department.

Billy Draper is in the Shipping Department. Robert Taylor is getting some experience in the Engineering Department.

Everett Pippin, who has been helping in the Employment Department in the afternoon, is spending the summer in Department 9.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Betty Bartlett and Jack Enloe, now married, was announced June 24 at a luncheon and shower given in honor of Mrs. John Stuckey, who was Marie Duncan before her marriage on June 12. Mrs. Stuckey is a sister of Earl Duncan, who is working during his summer vacation in the Accounting Department, and a niece of Walter and Ira Auer and Mrs. W. S. Enloe The luncheon was at the home of Mrs. W. S Enloe, who was assisted by Mrs. Ira Auer, Mrs. Walter Auer, and Mrs. T. E. Diller.

IN LAUGHING MOOD



The photographer succeeded in catching little Sylvia Staudt in one of her laughing moods. The little lady generally views strangers very gravely, although her fond mother and father insist that at home she laughs all the time. Sylvia is now eight months old. Her father, Julius Staudt, is assistant traffic manager, and her mother was formerly Sylvia Barnes, telephoe operator.

145 GRADUATES SINCE 1923















Here are seven more sons and daughters of Mueller employes who have just finished their schooling and graduated. They are:

Top row: Cula Harrison, daughter of C. F. Harrison, plant 2.

Marlene Galka, daughter of Fred Galka, Dept., 300.

Norma Morenz, daughter of August Morenz, plant 2.

Second row; Mercedes Oakleaf, daughter of E. O. Oakleaf, Polishing Dept. (Niantic High School.)

Lilla Severe, daughter of Wm. Severe, Dept. 8.

Bernice Spencer, daughter of Orville Spencer, Shipping Dept. Below: Robt. F. Taylor, son of F. E. Taylor, Dept, 8.

In the June Record we printed the pictures of seven others, Bernice Himstead, daughter of Harley Himstead, Frank Mueller's office. Hildegarde Jeschawitz, daughter of Paul Jeschawitz, Norman Dale True, son of Jack True, (Stonington High School), O. C. Keil, Jr., son of Comptroller O. C. Keil, William Draper, son of Carl Draper, Sales Dept., Helen Draper, daughter of Carl Draper, Lawrence Roe, son of Claude Roe.

Another graduate who has not been listed was Vera Keen, daughter of Frank Keen, Dept. (Continued on Page 15) 1937 candidates to come.

This practice was instituted back in 1923, and the number of graduates by years has been as follows:

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The largest number in one year was in 1926 and the smallest in 1935.

Readers will note that the number of graduates in 1933 is not given. The record for that year seems to have been misplaced. This fact is mentioned in the hope that some Mueller girl or boy who graduated in 1933 can give us the number so that our record will be complete.

The older employes understand this plan, but there are many new employes who do not.

In 1923 the company decided to give each son or daughter of an employe graduating from a high school the sum of \$10. This represents the company's appreciation of the ambition of the young folks to secure an education and to give them a nest egg for a savings account. In addition, many of the young folks have been indirectly aided by being furnished employment through the vacation period.

NEWLY-WEDS PRESENTED WITH CAKE

When Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Yonker got on the New York Central at Chicago the day following their wedding, they were confident that all the rice and old shoes were a thing of memory, and that from there they were to travel as an old seasoned married couple. Their first surprise came when the steward informed them a table had been reserved for them specially. The second when they found a lovely cake decorated in the usual fashion of wedding cakes, on their table. And the third when they looked up from the cake to find all eyes in the diner focused upon them — themselves definitely stamped as bride and groom.

Our Traffic Department had done a little sleuthing and determined which train the bridal couple would take for New York City, and arranged with the New York Central railroad to take care of the details, which the dining car department of the road did with their usual thorough attention to detail.

THIS LITTLE GIRL LIKES DOGS



Generally boys are for dogs and girls for cats, but this little lady shows her good judgment by pinning her affection to a nice little terrier. Her name is Caroline Jean, aged 6 years, and is the daughter of Ralph Duncan of Department 33. Her little pet seems to enjoy the novelty of being photographed fully as much as his little mistress.

VISIT TRI-CITIES

Wm. T. O'Dell of the Ground Key Department, had his tonsils removed a few weeks ago. While convalescing he took his family to visit relatives in the tri-cities. He has one brother living in Rock Island, one in East Moline, and one at Silvas. The family visited the federal arsenal, drove across the river to Davenport, and on their return trip stopped at Starved Rock. They report a pleasant time, good weather, and good crops all along the way.

TRIP TO THE COAST

A. C. Werdes of the Accounting Department and Matt Trott of the Traffic Department, made a trip to the Mueller Pacific Coast Factory, Los Angeles, during the early part of June. They were absent for about two weeks Both have now returned and are again at their desks.

UP EARLY TO UNLOAD CIRCUS

There was some disappointment in the ranks on the morning of June 16 as to the weather, and also the delay in the arrival of the Hagenback-Wallace show, especially as affecting Adolph and the editor of the Record, who were on hand early to help unload the big show. Both were disappointed, but Adolph justifies his disappointment, not so much for himself as for his grandson, Billy. Oh, yeah! Old Stuff, but still working over time.

LOS ANGELES



On Saturday, May 22, twenty-five of the Mueller boys chartered a live bait fishing boat, Miss Alhambra, for nine hours of fisherman's sport in the waters of the Pacific Ocean.

They left Newport Pier around 6 A. M., and it took about one hour to get to the fishing beds known as "Huntington Flats," whereupon all the fellows went to work trying to see who could catch the largest and most fish.

As each of them chipped in 25 cents for the jack pot, which total came to around \$6.00, it was decided that one dollar would be given to the man who caught the first fish, and five dollars would be presented to the one who caught the largest fish.

Charles Musmecci, who works in the Assembly department, was the lucky man to win both the five dollar grand prizes as well as the dollar jack pot. Even though he was the winner in catching the largest Yel'owtail which weighed around 15 pounds, Roy J. Baker, our plating foreman, was a close contestant when he displayed the largest nalibut, which weighed around 8 pounds. Russell Hubbard, of the Machine shop,

Russell Hubbard, of the Machine shop, didn't bring a pole so he used a chalk line, and a 3-way tee as a weight. In spite of this rig-up Russ caught seven fish. Tiring of being able to catch so many fish with his homemade line, he decided to go in swimming. Much to his surprise the Captain called him in as swimming in those waters, at any time while on a fishing trip, is not allowed.

Glenn Blize, of the Assembly department, and Machinist Bill Young got a touch of seasickness and were real enthusiasts for a short length of time. However, being as it was not for long, they were able to enjoy most of the trip.

Another member of the Machine shop, Morris Cooper (or better known as "Mickey") evidently promised his wife a big catch of fish as he kept going around picking up stray fish and putting them in his bag.

When lines tangled up now and then, Mickey was again outstanding. It seemed wherever Roy Thomas' line was Mickey was all mixed up in it. Just as soon as Roy's line



tangled he knew immediately who would be on the other end—none other than Mickey.

Louie Wyant, Roy J. Baker and E. M. Reedy's scores were the same, each one getting a nice catch of twenty fish. According to the look on Earl Bright's face, (on the picture enclosed) he doesn't seem to think Mr. Reedy's efforts in trying to get the hook out should be so hard as it appears.

The total number of fish caught was 431, and they averaged around 5 pounds each. Everyone had enough fish bagged to come in around noon time, but Bill Michael and Clyde Oldham, of our foundry, wouldn't let the Captain pull in. The boys are still wondering how Clyde managed to hang on to that anchor so long.

Despite the fact that it was rather a cloudy day, the water was very smooth and from the reports we hear everyone had a good time. They pulled in around 3.00 P. M. in the afternoon.

The boys were able to make good time as the "Miss Alhambra" has two Ford V-8 engines and is able to travel at the rate of 25 miles per hour.

WEDDINGS Parker-Jacklin

Earl Jacklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Jacklin, 1319 Fetterly avenue, and Miss Anna Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah V. Parker, 9414 Holmes avenue, Los Angeles, were married Saturday evening at the home of the bride's sister, 9221 Wilmington avenue.

The bride, dressed in blue, was attended by her sister, Mrs. Eliza Widdington, who was maid of honor and Elmer Jacklin served the groom as best man.

Earl Jacklin, who has lived with his family for many years in the Gardens and has a host (Continued on Page 15)

DEATHS Mrs. Marie Harshbarger

Mrs. Marie Harshbarger, mother of George Harshbarger, Dept. 9, died Sunday, June 27, after an illness of three months. Funeral services were conducted in the Moran chapel at 4:30 P. M. Tuesday and at the Carroll fu-neral home in Litchfield at 2 P. M. Wenesday. Burial was at Elmwood cemetery, Litchfield.

Mrs. Mary Barnes

Mrs. Mary Barnes, mother of Mrs. J. A. Staudt, died at her home in Mt. Auburn on Saturday, June 26. She had been in ill health for over a year. Funeral services were conducted on Monday in the Mt. Auburn Christian church with burial at the Mt. Auburn cemeterv

DON'T ADD BIRTHS

E. H. Langdon, head of the Personnel Department, is as we all know a reader and stu dent of a wide variety of subjects. Now he has taken up the study of medicine and surgery, beginning at the ground floor of the science as a veterinarian. He has become so interested in the subject that he was late reaching his office on the morning of June 15. He had an important case at home. His cow gave birth to a calf - and the darned thing was a bull, while E. H. was looking forward to the arrival of a heifer. May we suggest that a study of pre-determination of sex might be of aid in averting any such disappointment in the future.

VISIT CHATTANOOGA

Margaret Behrend and Geneva Reifsteck spent two week's vacation in Chattanooga. They left Decatur June 10 by rail, and in due time arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe



Front row: Margaret Behrends and Mrs. Wall. Back row: Geneva Reifsteck.

Wall, who were their hosts. Mrs. Wall was Garnet Cochran, who used to work in the Core Department.

The girls found the Walls living on the hillside overlooking a valley, and immedi-

ately opposite Lookout Mountain. To the girls from the prairies it looked immense Their time was occupied in sight seeing and visiting the battle fields in the vicinity of Chattanooga. One Sunday they drove to Copper Hills, and the next Sunday to Atlanta. Georgia, and saw Stone Mountain with the gigantic statue of southern generals on its side.

They enjoyed the trip to the south, includ-ing southern biscuits. They took a number of pictures. The one that appears with this article was taken at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wall

BACK TO TENNESSEE.

Shorty Hays Has Good Time in His Old Home State.

W. A. (Shorty) Hays of the Iron Shop in Dept. 8 returned June 19 from a trip to his old home at Fall Branch, Tennessee, near Kingsport. It was the first time he had been back there in over thirty years. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hayes, his son, Walter. and his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ornan Williams.

They left Decatur on Saturday, June 12, and were gone just a week, but a week crammed full of visiting old friends, relatives, and scenes of Mr. Hay's boyhood. He found the old mill still standing, where as a boy he took grain to have it made into meal. The mill no longer runs, but is still owned by "Doc" Morgan, the son of the miller who ground the grain for little "Shorty" Hays. "Doc" Morgan and Shorty found pleasure in remi-niscents of the old days and customs, and re-called with a chuckle how the boys used to sit around the fireplace and parch ccrn. while waiting for their grain. The problem confronting each boy was to see that the corn he placed in the fireplace was still his when parched, and this was solved by an unsanitary but most effective method-that of spitting on the corn just before it became parched.

The party drove through Cumberland Gap and Renfro Valley, and in the mountains saw many log cabins erected more than one hundred years ago. From the outside these calins still have the appearance of the early pioneer days, but one mark of progress has crept inside. From the rough hewn logs which form the rafters of almost every cabin hangs an electric light cord, the one luxury of the civilized world which these rough old mounaineers have found to be a necessity.

TELL US ABOUT IT

Vacation season. Many of the organization are now enjoying outings. When you return give us an account of your trip. It will be interesting to readers of the Record.

You will not be regarded as pushing yourself forward. On the contrary you will be regarded as cooperating.

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eight.

This makes the Decatur January 1937 total 15. In addition there were three graduates in Los Angeles. Jerry Preshaw, son of Gerald Preshaw, Roy Thomas, son of Roy E. Thomas, and Valma Lowary.

Total for 1937, eighteen.

On page eleven are seven more making a total of 14, with four more successful candidates to come.

LOS ANGELES (Continued from page 13)

of friends here, is employed at the Mueller Co., where he met Miss Parker, also employed there.

Leo J. Leonard, of our machine shop, and Miss Lucy, Ayala, daughter of a well known pioneer family in Los Angeles, were mar-



ried on June 6, in the Wilshire Wedding Chapel.

The couple have their apartment already picked out as their future residence.

CARROTS TO BLAME

Harvey Washburn must have been eating his spinach and carrots and other vegetables reputed to make your hair curly. Else why the development of such a nice deep wave?

Cannibal—What are you thinking of? His wife—Whom we'll have for dinner tomorrow.

STILLING THE TUMULT

Radio Dealer - "Want one with a loudspeaker?

King Solomon - "No, I want a little quiet. Give me one thousand pairs of headphones." -Life

He asked the lady for her hand; She yielded to his wishes; When they were wed he promptly set Her hand to washing dishes!

NEW GRANDFATHERS

Jim Thorpe, of the Upkeep Stock Department, became a grandfather for the first time on June 10, when a daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Burtschi. Mrs. Burtschi was formerly Eloise Thorpe.

Emmett Holderby, watchman on the west side, joined the charmed cirle of fond grandfathers on May 22, with the arrival of a grandson at the home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holderby.

TO SHOW AT N. Y. WORLD'S FAIR.

Bert Backstein, whose miniature circus was on display at the Hobby Show held in the Mueller gymnasinm in January 1935, is completing a miniature of the Ringling Brothers, Barnum & Bailey circus, which will be exhibited at the New York World's Fair in 1939. Mr. Backstein, at that time connected with the Mueller Fixture Co., new devotes his entire time to making miniatures.

Squad Leader — "I hear the battallion commander called you a blockhead. Is that correct?

Recruit-No, sir. He just said, 'Pull down your cap, here comes a woodpecker."

ONCE THERE WAS A DODO

Back in the days when skirts swept the ground, it wasn't unusual to see a daughter sweep a room.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

ESTEEMED COLLEAGUE

Messenger (to newsboy) - Who was the

swell guy ye was talkin' to Jimmie?" Newsboy — "Aw, him and me's woiked togedder fer years. He's the editor o' one o' my papers."—Life.

GOOD WINNER

Prospective passenger (to aviator): "You'll

bring me back safely, won't you?" Aviator: "Have no fear, madam; I've never left anybody up there yet.



THE JUNE JAMBOREE

First Social Event at Mueller Heights a Great Success

The first out-door social event of the season was held at Mueller Heights on the evening of June 4. It was a great success, in fact the attendance was larger than any similar affair of recent years. There was feasting, music and dancing and in addition a fine musical program together with spec-ialties of real merit. The amphitheater was packed and the crowd remained until the last number, after which there was round and square dancing participated in by a good crowd.

One feature of the program was Adolph's "Old Black Joe." He made his stage entrance in costume from the audience and insisted on doing his act. While he has been seen in this impersonation at previous entertainments it was the general opinion that he was never better than at the Jamborce. Later he made a short address which embodied good news to all.

The Program

Cornet Solo - "Spring Song," Harold Moats, pianist; accompaniment, John Langdon.

Guitar Trio — Charles Jr., Orval and Evaun Gilmore. Selections — Song of the Islands, Holona Waltz, Nobody's Darling, Blue Hawaiian Moonlight, Over the Waves, Sing me the Rosary and Home, Sweet Home.

Tap Dancing-Mary and Madonna Langdon.

Reading-Don't Die on Third Base-Lila Severe.

Mathes Family - Vocal Solos - The Big Bass Viol-Fred Mathes; Empty Saddles-James Mathes; 1 Can't Escape from You-Ada Mathes; Asleep in the Deep - Fred Mathes.

Quartette-Cornets, Trombone, Piano-The Secret-Harold Moats, William Whitacre, and Mary Langdon.

Tumbling-Dorothy Booker and Dorothy Park, under direction of Margaret Brady; Thelma Coffman, pianist.

The second part consisted of a program by the Worthan family, professionals. The performance consisted of singing,

dancing, magic, tap dancing.

It was a good performance throughout, including Jack Enloe's five-piece orchestra, which furnished music for the dancing. . .

Try The CAFETERIA For GOOD EATS

SCOUTS TO BIG MEETING



Bobby Whitaker, leader of the Creeping Panthe-Patrol of the Boy Scout Troop 2, was selected to attend the National Jamboree at Washington. D. C., June 30-July 9.

Bobby is the son of Horace Whitaker of Dept. His younger brother, Billy, is also a member of Troop 2.

Following the Jamboree at Washington, the Scouts toured the East, visiting Philadelphia, New York, Albany, Niagara Falls and Detroit, re-turning July 15.

Thirty-six scouts from Decatur took this trip.

CECELIA HAVING A GOOD TIME

Cecelia Cochran, who was a stenographer in Frank Mueller's department before accepting a position in Washngton, D C., has written friends some very interesting accounts of her sight-seeing trips in and around Washington. A recent letter told of a week-end trip to New York City, where the time was spent in riding elevateds, subways, ferry boats, and tours which took her to Wall street, the wharfs, the slums, the Ghetto, the Bowery, Chinatown, and the Aquarium in Battery Park. Quite some time was spent at Backefallew Contra and Badie City spent at Rockafellow Center and Radio City, and the N. B. C. studios, where she witnessed the technical details of broadcasting and saw how the different sound effects were made.

Cecelia expects to return home for a vacation.

MY BABY

The following story came to us about Halden Hansen, who became a proud father on June. He went out to the hospital and timidly accosted the "I want to see Mrs. Hansen's baby," said nurse. Halden.

"Who's baby?" the nurse asked. "M-Mrs. Hansen's," was the faltering reply. "Well, I don't know-," the nurse said, uncertainly.

"Say, I want to see MY BABY!" Halden demanded with sudden vigor. "I'm Mr. Hansen." Hansen got to see his daughter, Rosalie Cynthia. Hansen.