

# MUELLE RECORD

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## FINE ATTRACTIONS FOR 1941 PICNIC

The coming big event of the outdoor season is the annual picnic at Mueller Heights

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 16**

Don't forget the date and keep it open. This early announcement gives you plenty of time to arrange your affairs so that you can be at the picnic with your family or with your best girl or girls may bring their "steady" if they so desire. It's going to be a day of rollicking fun. It's the one day when "east side, west side, all around the plant", members of different departments may meet, renew old acquaintances, or make new ones.

### Chance to Get Acquainted

There are many persons in the organization who do not see each other throughout the year. That's one reason for our annual picnic. It gives you a fine opportunity to meet and know each other.

### Refreshments

For the benefit of recent new additions it's well enough to say that the refreshment stand makes it unnecessary to prepare picnic baskets, but basket dinners are still a feature which many of us like. There is a lot of pleasure in a good old-fashioned basket dinner under the shade trees, and it's a nice thing to do. There is something in a dinner of this kind that adds to the enjoyment of the day. However, that is up to you—get lunch at the refreshment stand or bring your own lunch. We are particularly anxious that all "new comers" in the force join us in this annual event.

### Picnic Carnival

As a general thing "a picnic is just another picnic," but in our case, added to the picnic feature, is a string of free attractions which adds something of the carnival spirit.

The committee has put forth extra effort to make this attraction stand out as the best possible to procure.

### Regular Events

For those who play golf there will be the usual morning tournament, details of which will be given in ample time.

At the picnic grounds there will be horse shoe contests, tennis, badminton, croquet, as all day features. There will also be baseball games, balloons for the little folks, beano for the older folk, and other num-

bers to make up a full day including the dance in the evening.

### Special Features

Then there will be special features which will include the photographer who "takes your picture", and hands it to you almost instantly. This feature was tried last year and went over big. It will be still better. Our booking agent says he has secured one of the best known professionals in this line.

### Best Yet Offered

The afternoon and evening stage production, the committee believes, will be the finest ever offered. The program is made up of professionals, and the big open air stage, makes it possible to present these artists in a more favorable way than is possible on an indoor stage of restricted size. Here are some of the outstanding picnic ground and stage attractions.

### Here Is the Line Up

A gaudy Merry Go Round—all day and evening.

A miniature train running on a track—all day and evening.

A strolling girl in cowgirl costume playing her own accompaniment and singing.

Here are some of the stage acts already contracted for:

**LOU MORGAN**—Comedy Bicycle Rider.

This will be especially interesting to the boy and girl cyclists.

**WARFIELD**—Comedy Magician.

**THE GISH SISTERS**—All styles of dancing, singing and xylophone music.

**THE LERCHES**—Comedy Rocking Table Artists and Trapeze Performers.

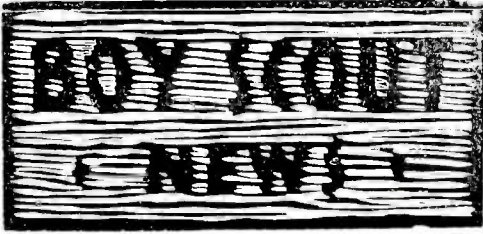
**JIMMY BURNS**—Master of Ceremonies, wise cracker par-excellent and singer. Piano accompanist for the above.

Does not that listen like something to see, hear and enjoy?

There will be plenty of other things to draw your attention, but anything added will be given you in the July Record or on the bulletin boards.

Keep your eyes and ears open and also don't fail to keep the day open so you will

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Lots of things are happening in Troop 2 to keep the boys hustling. Last month it was the Macon District Camporee, held in Atwood, May 23-25. There were some 300 scouts, and about 25 troops. Troop 2 was on deck with a new tent for the leaders, and some shiny new cooking kits for the patrols. Due to the distance, some of our newsboy members could not go, but there were ten scouts there with the Scoutmaster.

Saturday morning the entire Troop Committee motored over to Atwood and had a hearty breakfast with the troop. Jerry Yonker is quite a bacon frier, we find, and isn't so bad with eggs either. The Scout Executive was a guest at the Saturday evening meal. The boys have proved themselves pretty good cooks and campers. The menu, prepared by the Scoutmaster along approved dietary lines, was healthy and plentiful. The boys complained of having too much to eat.

As to the activities, baseball was the chief diversion. There was a big campfire Saturday night, and a night game of "Capture the Flag." A special program Saturday morning featured a preview of the "Parade of Progress" by a G-E man, and a demonstration of right and wrong axmanship methods by our own Scoutmaster. In the inter-troop contests Saturday afternoon, Troop 2 won all the axmanship contests. Jesse Bridwell sank a hand axe a depth of  $2\frac{1}{8}$ " in a minute. In the large axe contest, Herbert Harner, with telling blows, cut a notch  $4\frac{1}{8}$ " deep in a minute and a half.

On the evening of June 3, the troop held the annual Birthday Party at Mueller Club House. A steak fry and potluck supper left everyone happy and well nigh helpless from eating too much. Following a round of rousing songs led by Scoutmaster Jackson, Mr. Adolph Mueller told of his trip to the National Council Meeting at Washington, D. C. It was a fine and inspirational talk. Mr. Davis then presented the Troop Charter and the leaders' certificates. The Scoutmaster led the Scouts in the Scout Oath, and presented them with the Scout certificates. As a special tribute to Happy March for his faithful work as a Committeeman, and to his wife for her loyalty, and to Jack, the troop's Senior Patrol Leader, the troop presented them with an electric clock.

Richard Sexton and his father were visitors to the troop last week. Richard is signing up as a new recruit in Troop 2. Any boy twelve years of age is eligible for

membership. Right now the troop needs new twelve year olds to replace the older fellows going into Sea Scouting.

Skipper Jackson reports the boat nearly completed. A number of the older boys have been helping work on it. A Sea Scout Unit will be organized soon, now that leadership is available.

Next thing on schedule is summer camp. It will be here quicker than we expect, and every Scout wanting to go must get in his reservations now. The fee is \$7 per week, and includes everything except handicraft and candy money. A little extra for handicraft is a fine thing, but every Scout can profit by leaving off any candy purchases. There will be plenty to eat without that. Besides, leave that "Cityfied" stuff at home. Camp is a place to leave the city behind and practise living as Daniel Boone did. If you are going to camp, see the Scoutmaster now or sign up at Headquarters pronto!

## PICNIC

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be able to attend. Everything is free to you—what more could you want for nothing.

### All Salesmen Coming

The Mueller Co.'s salesmen from the New York territory, Decatur territory, Sarnia, Chattanooga, and Los Angeles will be here the week of August 10 and will remain for the picnic to meet and mingle with the factory and office organizations. They are not a theatrical attraction—but Oh! Girls, they are an attraction in lively sports, on the dance floor, and in the picnic games. You'll like them!

Now don't miss this picnic—come early and stay late—help make this a big family gathering. Begin now with this thought in mind for the day.

"What's the use of worrying?

It never was worth while, so

Pack up your troubles in your  
old kit bag

And smile, smile, smile."

## JONES TWINS NOT FIRST

Last month we stated that we now had our first set of twins at work in the factory. This was in error. We overlooked Hubert and Huber Maddox, who have been with us for a number of years. Hubert, who works in Dept. 9, came here in 1929, while his twin, Huber (called John for easier identification), has been with the company since 1935. He works in the shipping department. These two boys are slight in stature, but not small enough to be completely overlooked. Hubert is the manager of Dept. 9's softball team.

### Oh, What a Jolt

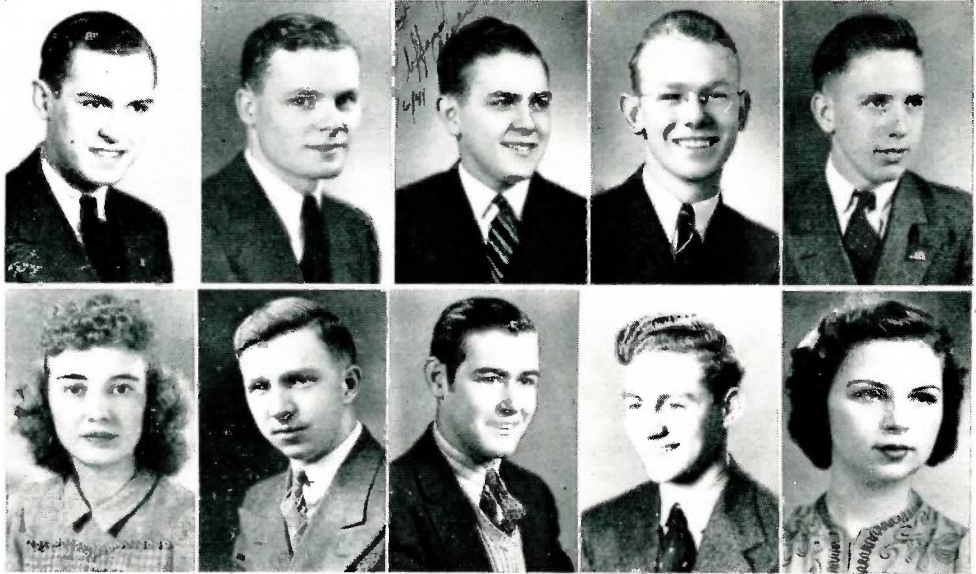
Of all the sad surprises,

There's nothing to compare,

With treading in the darkness

On a step that isn't there.

# JUNE GRADUATES



Upper row, left to right: Dean Grant, Girard Keil, Clifford Auer, Bernard Morton, Maurice Paslay.

## GRADUATES

Ten sons and daughters of Mueller employees were among the June graduates from accredited High Schools.

### Decatur High School

Bernard, son of Carl Morton, Plant 2.  
Girard, son of O. C. Keil, Office.  
Clifford, son of Ira L. Auer, Tool Room.  
Reba, daughter of Hugh Henley, Ground Key.

Walter, son of Wm. A. Hays, Ground Key.  
Maurice, son of E. J. Paslay, Construction.  
Dean Grant, stepson of Frank Shade, Plumbing Division.

### Moweaqua Community High School

Orville, son of Chas. J. Gilmore, Brass Foundry.

### Huntington Park High School

Ethel Jean, daughter of John Royer, Los Angeles factory.

### Teaneck, N. J. High School

Robert L., son of L. M. Wolpert, New York Office.

In addition to the above, Willie Rohman, who has worked part time for a couple of years in order to attend school half days, received his diploma. His co-workers in the Main Office, appreciative of the commendable effort Willie has made to obtain a diploma, and his willingness to cheerfully perform any task assigned to him, presented him with a Parker pen and pencil set. Mr. Adolph made a little presentation speech, and also gave Willie a leather traveling case, which Willie will soon put to use when he becomes a member of Uncle Sam's army.

Lower row, Left to right: Reba Henley, Walter Hays, Orville Gilmore, Robert Wolpert, Ethel Jean Royer.



Right: William Rohman.

## Shoe on Wrong Foot

A traveler in the Ozarks stopped at a mountain cabin close to the road to ask for a drink of water. The man who answered his call and brought him a big dipper of cool water, hobbled badly as he walked. The visitor stared unbelievably at the feet of the other man, and finally said to him:

"Mister, you know, don't you, that you've got your right shoe on your left foot, and your left shoe on your right foot?"

"The Hell I have!" exclaimed the mountaineer, and they both stared at his feet.

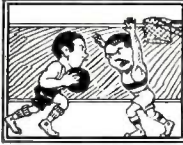
"Why, certainly you have!" said the visitor.

"Well, I'll be dad-gummed!" said the mountaineer. "You know I've been wearing my shoes that way for twenty years and I always thought I was club-footed."

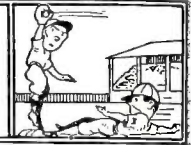
## Curtain Lecture

Cop—"Hey there, just a minute, mister, where are you going at this time of night?"

Wanderer—"I'm—hic—going to a lecture."



# Athletics



## MUELLER ALL STARS SOFTBALL

The softball team so far this year has the prospect of being the strongest team that ever represented Mueller Co. The boys have played six games so far this season, winning four and losing two. It seems as though the boys have that winning spirit essential for winning ball games.

The blue streak that flies across the diamond about half a dozen times during every ball game is the manager, Marshall Foster. Upon every close play called on the field, our manager flies out to the umpires to receive the correct decision. He has tried to change some of the decisions, but to date he hasn't had any luck.

The All Stars play every Tuesday and Thursday evenings on the Mueller field, and if you would like to see some good softball played plan to see these games.

## SOFTBALL MUELLER LEAGUE

The Mueller League was organized this year with six teams participating. The League games are every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday night. The following teams are playing, Plant 2, Brass Foundry, Department 8, Engineers, and Office, Machine Shop, and Department 9.

Because of the rainy weather only two or three games have been played, but from the report of the last game, between Plant 2 and the Machine Shop, it looks as though it might be a good batting season, the score was 36 to 26 for the Machine Shop. This is a lot of runs for a seven inning game.

## GIRLS' SOFTBALL

A girls' softball team, made up of the girls in our core room, has been organized and the girls have played three games, winning two of the three games. New suits have been ordered, but as yet have not been received.

A softball league has been formed in the city with six teams entered. Two of these teams will play on our diamond every Thursday evening this summer at 6:30. With a little more practice we are going to have a good team—so spend a few Thursday evenings at the ball field and see some very fine entertainment.

## LAWN GAMES

The croquet, badminton, and horseshoe courts are in good shape and are available for play at any time for our employees and their families.

Tournaments will be held later in all these activities, but now they are open for general play.

## BIG LEAGUE SPECTATORS

Quite a few of our employees travelled to St. Louis last week end to see the St.

Louis Cardinals and the Brooklyn Dodgers in a double header baseball game.

Those whose heads were seen in the capacity crowd at the park were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Flaughner, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hartwig, Mr and Mrs. Pete Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Loyle Davis, Frank Edmonson, Pete Bethards, and Guy Jones

## MONTHLY GOLF TOURNAMENT

May, 1941

Event and Player	Score
1st low net—Wallace Gould .....	59
2nd low net—George White .....	62
3rd low net—Jim Fair .....	63
1st low Gross—Jim Freeman .....	84
2nd low Gross—Francis Carroll .....	84
3rd low Gross—Dick Holmes .....	86
High on Blind Hole—Elmer Fawley....	8
Low on Blind Hole—Orval Keller.....	3
Closest to Bogey—Joe Brownback....	5
Most Sixes—Charles Meador .....	13

## Women Have Taking Ways

She took my hand in sheltered nooks,  
 She took my candy and my books,  
 She took the lustrous wrap of fur,  
 She took the gloves I bought for her,  
 She took my words of love and care,  
 She took my flowers, rich and rare,  
 She took my ring with tender smile,  
 She took my time for quite a while,  
 She took my ardor, maid so shy,  
 She took whatever I could buy,  
 And then she took another guy.

—Santa Fe Magazine.

## Bringing Up Father

When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years.—Mark Twain.

## One Volunteer

The preacher had just finished a sermon on the duties of wives to mother their husbands.

"I want every woman who will go home and mother her husband to stand up," he cried.

A little woman, who was known to be a trifle deaf, leaped to her feet.

"Ah," cried the preacher, "there is one woman who will mother her husband."

"Mother him?" cried the woman, sitting down again. "I thought you said 'smother him!'"

## BOWLING WINNERS



The J. J. Moran & Sons bowling team, which won the 1940-1941 Classic League, by finishing up six games out in front of all other teams in the league, is composed 50 per cent of Mueller men. In the back row, left side, is Bert Flaughter; front row, left side Clarence Roarick; and front row, right side, Edgar Hartwig.

Shooting 108 games in the Classic League, the Moran keglers posted 195 individual counts of 200, shot 26 team games of 1,000 and over, posted four over the 1,100 mark, and in three games had 11 series which totalled 3,288.

## NEITHER HERE NOR THERE

(Further Ruminations from a Third Floor Window)

June, we learn once again, is the month of brides—and bridegrooms. We can hardly keep up with all the romances and weddings and general festivities. In fact, we've a feeling that your old ruminator is 'way behind on the goings-on in these parts. In one week, for instance, in the Main Office all this happened to us: Barbara Young was married, Carl Dodwell was married, and Ellen Jane Peabody was a maid of honor. Do you wonder that we're quite out of breath and a bit dazed in the bargain?

There are a number of June birthdays, notably those of Miss McKee, June Krum-siek, Irene Otis and Dorothy Cooper. Many happy returns, all!

Memorial Day week-end, a three-day holiday for all of us (except the "skeleton" force who came in on Saturday morning) was an opportunity for travel for many of our friends. Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Ruth-

rauff and daughter Joanne journeyed down to sunny Tennessee and Camp Forrest at Tallahoma where they visited their son, Jack Ruthrauff.

The Everett Wacasers and the Herschel Wacasers drove down to Camp Forest, also, visiting Everett's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith visited in Paducah, Kentucky, that same week-end.

Chicago claimed two of our number for the holiday, Marjorie Tatham and Ruth Liestman.

The O. C. Keils were in Lafayette a week ago to attend the Commencement exercises of their son, Otto, Jr., who was graduated from Purdue University.

The post cards received from Earl Harris and Al Hill indicate that those travellers have been having an enjoyable vacation in New Orleans and points South. We hope they'll come back much refreshed, Al for his strenuous life as Order Drummer and Earl for his new activities in Uncle Sam's army.

Willie Rohman has been doubling for Al in the latter's absence, and Willie quite concurs that drumming orders these days requires plenty of skill and energy, also time.

Dorothy Gepford selected the rainiest week of the Summer for an outing. The Gepford and Park families spent the week of June 7-14 at the Log Cabin at Mueller Heights, and by actual count, there was rain every day they were there. Near the end of the week it was practically snow. The campers all proved good scouts, like Dot-tie, and didn't worry too much about a few leaks in the roof or a little rainwater in their hamburger skillet.

The news that has filtered back to us from Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Draper would indicate that the West Coast vacation of these Third Floor-ites has been most delightful. By the time we go to press we trust we'll be hearing all about it.

Everett Wacaser has forsaken us for a new position in the government service. He and his wife left June 11 for Brooklyn, New York, where Everett begins a couple of months of training for his duties with the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Everett's duties in our Cost Dept. were taken over by Jack Rubicam. Carl Dodwell (the groom) advanced to Jack's position, and Bill Griffith took over Carl's desk.

The Cost Dept. personnel has recently been increased by the addition of Norma Morenz, Morris Tucker and Robert Grab-

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## IT'S HELLO ADOLPH

Three Year Old Greet the Chairman of the Board



Across the street, between the office building and the cafeteria, lives Jimmy Souders, age 3, who dwells with his parents. This side of the street is shady and in hot weather, many of us going to and from the cafeteria at meal times, pass the place. Jimmy is generally in sight to greet his friends passing to and fro, including Adolph. The little fellow makes no distinction, and no exception in the use of given names, and much to Adolph's amusement and approval, he salutes him with "Hello, Adolph," in vigorous and enthusiastic tones.

And Adolph likes it!

There is a reason for this. In boyhood days all of Hieronymus Mueller's sons worked side by side with employees under the same rules and restrictions. There were six of these Mueller boys, Henry, Philip, Fred, Robert, Adolph and Oscar. There was no "Mr. Mueller" applied to them. They were distinguished and separated one from the other by their given names. This practice has never been dropped. Adolph is today "Adolph" to the men in the organization.

He has always maintained this evidence of democratic spirit, is always accessible to any employee for conference or advice, which he is frequently solicited to give. The dismissal of the line of demarcation

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## NEW YORK VISITORS

## SPEND WEEK-END AT LODGE

A group of ten young New Yorkers, employees of the National City Bank of New York, were guests at Mueller Lodge over the week end of May 31-June 1. The young men, chosen on basis of merit from the trust, foreign, domestic, and various branches of the huge bank, represented all types of banking service.

This is the tenth consecutive year that the bank has followed the policy of selecting ten of its most eligible young men to make an educational tour of the east and middle west industries. The idea is to give them a general, rather than a technical knowledge of American industries, and to acquaint them with the people in the different sections of the country, their customs, habits, and views. The Thorne-Loomis Foundation has charge of the tour.

The group left New York City on May 17 and was scheduled to return June 21. They traveled in a truck which is converted into a tent with sleeping bunks, and equipped with a portable refrigerator, stove, and all the necessities incidental to camping out.

From New York City the tour took them to Philadelphia and south along the Sky Line Drive, through the Smoky Mountains, and over into the mining sections, where they were impressed by the dire poverty and extreme drought.

Arriving in Decatur on Friday evening, after a tour through the coal mines in Kentucky on a hot, humid day, the boys were particularly receptive to the thoughtfulness of the Mueller Co. in offering them the use of the Mueller Lodge over the week end, where they enjoyed one of the famous Mueller showers and the cool breezes from Lake Decatur. Arrangements for their stay here were made by the Junior Association of Commerce, and including swimming, golfing, sailing, and sight-seeing. Mr. Adolph Mueller, chairman of the Board of Directors of Mueller Co., greeted them upon their arrival at the Lodge, and invited them to be his guests at lunch Monday noon at the plant cafeteria. Immediately following lunch the group left Decatur for Springfield, where they visited Lincoln's Tomb.

The entire mileage was about 3,200 miles, and the boys visited representative plants in each field and met and discussed problems with the executives. The itinerary included trips through the plants of the Armstrong Cork Corp., Cannon Mills, American Enka, Blue Diamond Coal Mines, A. E. Staley Starch Co., Caterpillar Tractor, Armour & Co., Ford, National Cash Register, Firestone Rubber, Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., Hammermill Paper Co., American Cyanamid, Corning Glass Works, Endicott-Johnson Corp., and Oneida, Ltd.



# Safety News



## Lost Time Accident Report—May, 1941.

During the month of May, there were five lost time accidents in our factory. These five accidents caused the employees who had them to lose 212 hours. Two hundred and twelve hours does not seem to be so many hours lost, compared to the total number that our factory works, but if we consider how many days it would take one man to work 212 hours, we would find that he would work 26½ days.

Some of these accidents could have been avoided, some could not, but in order to keep our lost time accident rate down to a minimum, let's all be a little more careful, while we are working. Let's observe all safety rules and practices, and work for that perfect month of NO LOST TIME ACCIDENTS.

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### Safety

Safety and care of the body are not printed to scare you. They are printed in the Record so that you may learn what safety experts and health experts have learned from long experience and observation. The slightest wound may lead to fatal results. Improper shoes, or improper dressing give discomfort, and are frequently the cause of serious consequences. Don't scoff at safety advice—take it seriously and apply it to yourself.

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### Foot Notes on Avoiding Fatigue

Look to the heels on your shoes—they're important—according to the advice of Dr. Victor C. Heiser in his column, "Speaking of Health."

Says Doctor Heiser: "A man weighing 165 pounds taking 12,185 steps a day—a reasonable average—is subject to the equivalent of almost a thousand tons in jolts. If the foot takes the pounding at the wrong angle the impact is carried through the whole human frame to a much greater extent. No wonder a man with run-down heels is "Tired all over" at the day's end!"

"Another important rule is to lace your shoes securely so that you really feel them giving you support. Proper lacing keeps undue weight off the toes; you can't ask them to bear all or most of the weight of your body and expect to avoid tiredness.

For the rest, cut your toenails, straight across to avoid ingrowing, keep the feet absolutely clean, and try wearing uncolored pure wool socks at work. Elementary kind treatment like this will not only make your feet feel more comfortable but make you feel generally better at the end of your work day."

## Infection—Belt Lacing

The injured workman was placing a belt on a pulley to drive a laundry machine. The end of one of the wire lacings broke off and pierced his hand. He was told to go to a doctor and have the metal splinter removed and the wound treated. This he failed to do. Infection developed which resulted in his death seven weeks later.

Far too little attention is paid to splinters. It is true that many persons get puncture wounds without suffering any inconvenience or loss of time but the consequences of infection are really serious. It is necessary to have such wounds treated properly.

## DEATHS

### Shelby Gibson

Friends of Mrs. Shelby Gibson, better known to us as Ollie Springer, were grieved to hear of the death of her husband, Shelby, on June 7 in Hines Veteran's hospital. He had been ill about five months. Ollie worked in the Stationery Department for a number of years.

### David O. Gordon

David O. Gordon, age 83, father of Arthur Gordon, watchman, died May 14, at his home on Route 2. Funeral services were conducted on Saturday afternoon in the Dawson & Wikoff funeral home, with burial in Diamond Grove cemetery near Jacksonville.

### Mrs. Leola Walters

Mrs. Leola Walters, mother of Lloyd Walters of Plant 2, and Van Walters of Dept. 8, died Sunday, June 1. Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday in the Moran chapel with burial in Graceland cemetery.

## BIRTHS

ROE—Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Roe, a daughter, May 28. Laurence works in Dept. 9, and Mrs. Roe, the former Dorothy Amman, also worked in that department.

FOLTZ—Mr. and Mrs. Willard Woltz, Tool Room, a daughter, June 2. She has been named Carol Ann.

BETHARDS—Mr. and Mrs. Mervil Bethards, a daughter, Cheryl Elizabeth, May 31. Mervil is employed at Plant 2.

ALBERT—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Albert, Foundry, a daughter, Carol Louise, June 4.

WORKMAN—Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Workman, Dept. 8, a son, Edwin Lynn, June 15.

## MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA



Fayetta Carrel and Richard Armstrong were married June 1 in the home of Rev. Van Cleave. Dick is a member of the Ground Key Assembly, and both he and his wife are from Decatur, as well as the preacher who married them. Dick and Fayetta are attending the College L. I. F. E., which is sponsored by the Foursquare Gospel church. They will graduate in a year, and then be set for a station. The College Life stands for Lighthouse for International Foursquare Evangelists, and is well attended.

## LOS ANGELES NEWS

Fred Klinck looks as though he had lost his best friend lately, and it is all due to the fact that his wife and son are enjoying a nice vacation in New York state. George Neu in the foundry, is in the same boat, as his family are in Texas.

According to reports, Brig Oldham is really a fisherman. On a recent fishing trip his boasts about the fine casting he could do were short lived. All he got was fisherman's luck, and he blamed it on his new equipment. We're with you, Brig. We think you can fish.

Well, it's vacation time again, and everyone is taking theirs in shifts. It seems as though half the factory spent Decoration Day holiday at Yosemite. Helen Young and May Harris, along with their husbands, spent a week up in the red woods, and during that time found the Warren Wunderlichs, Evelyn Miller, and Dot Heflin. Boulder Dam got its final O.K. when the Harvey Zehners inspected it recently. Salt Lake City had as its guest the June Gardeners, and a lot more showed up with a pretty coat of tan from the beaches

Cy Wolfe had a near catastrophe over the week end when his sail boat overturned, and threw him and three friends

into the ocean. No one was hurt, but every one got a good scare.

The month of June brings a lot of weddings, and we know of two to report and are looking forward to a third. Those bells should ring soon, at least we hope.

Joe Higbee and Bill English, along with their spouses, spent the week end in the High Sierras fishing. They had to pack in about 8 miles, and a nice trip was enjoyed by all.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacklin, a daughter, April 16. She has been named Maryland Irene.

We have a few old timers back again. They are Bill Mae Musmecci, nee Forshner, and Elizabeth Whittington, nee Collie, and both are working in the Buffing Department while others are taking their vacations.

Another wedding recently was that of Robert Alsop and Miss Faye Bramble of Salt Lake City. In a beautiful ceremony at the bride's home on April 11, Bob and Miss Brambel were married, and are now living in El Monte. Bob is a member of the shipping room.

Our picnic will soon be with us, and we might say right here that if you are not planning on being there you are really making a big mistake. Everyone knows the picnics get bigger and better every year, and we hope that this year will be one to be remembered for a long time. By the way, all you bowlers are invited to get into the bowling contest, and please remember it is sponsored by the company.

The place for the picnic will be the same, and the date is July 12 for all day. The complete committee is working very hard and should have your support. Make your plans to enjoy a Mueller holiday. All the old attractions will be back, and of course we'll have something new, so don't go fishing—just go picnicing with Muellers.

Sheldon Karyakin was another luckless fisherman just the other day when the row boat he and three other men were in capsized in Newport Bay. He was lucky in the fact that other fishermen near by came to the rescue, and took them ashore. Shelly received quite a write-up in the "Times" along with some good action pictures.

## Opening the Can

Wife: "My dear, what are you opening that can with?"

Hub: "Why, with a can opener. What did you think I was opening it with?"

Wife: "Well, I thought from your remarks, you were opening it with a prayer."





Left to right: George Leach, Herman Dash, Delmont Parks, Harry Sackriter, and William Draper.

## SOLDIERS SEE SIGHTS

### Mueller Boys at Camp Roberts Entertained Over Week End

Four Decatur boys now located at Camp Roberts, California, were invited recently to Los Angeles for the week end to look over the factory and see some of the sights. The boys were Delmont Parks, Harry Sackriter, Chester Masterson, and Bill Draper, but due to army regulations Chet was unable to attend. The camp is near Paso Robles, about 240 miles north of Los Angeles.

The three boys arrived in Los Angeles about 8:30 P.M. and were taken to a hotel to clean up. Then with Herman Dash and George Leach as escorts, the party started out. Their first stop was at the "Florentine Gardens" in Hollywood, where the boys enjoyed a fine floor show and some excellent food, quite a treat after army grub.

Sunday morning the boys were up early and ready to go. Herman stopped by the hotel for them, and they met George Leach at the plant. After a complete tour of the plant, George took them to his home, where each boy made a Mother's Day record for his mother. After lunch, they started on a sight-seeing tour. This included the Union Station, Olvera street, a ride down the new Arro-Seco Parkway into Pasadena, where they were shown some of the nice homes, and finally the Rose Bowl. From Pasadena, they went to Burbank, past the Lockheed Aircraft Plant, and out to the Union Air Terminal, and on to Hollywood. The boys got to see a few movie sets and a few studios, but of course were unable to get in. They stopped at Grauman's Chinese Theater, and then toured Hollywood and all its sights. They were

shown through Beverly Hills, and went down to Santa Monica to see the blue Pacific. On the way back they stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dill, and when they finally reached the bus terminal to go back to Camp Roberts three weary, happy soldiers climbed aboard. Herman in a post-script admitted it took him and George three days to recuperate, and they didn't have to get out and march the next day.

### Difference

Izzy: "Whats the difference between a sewing machine and a kiss?"

Lizzie: "I know they're different but you tell me."

Izzy: "One sews seams nice and the other seems so nice."

Old Maid: "I bet that man was embarrassed when you caught him looking over the transom."

Second O. M.: "Gosh, yes, I thought he'd never get over it."—Rammer-Jammer.

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between employer and employee is an unwritten rule in this organization.

"After all," says Adolph, "we are all members of an organization working toward the same end, just men and women, where formality is not necessary. I've always believed in democracy of this character, which has prevailed from the time the grandfathers of some of our present employees worked side by side with the Mueller boys.

"I get a great kick out of this cute little boy, who always greets me with his childish 'Hello, Adolph,' and don't object to the parrot which has learned this 'Hello, Adolph' greeting me in its somewhat imperfect, articulation and pronunciation. Soqqqs natural."

## WEDDINGS

**Taylor-Autenrieth**

Dorothy, daughter of Superintendent and Mrs. Frank E. Taylor, was married May 3 to Kenneth Autenrieth, son of Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Autenrieth, of Bloomington.

The ceremony was performed at Hannibal, Missouri, by the groom's father, Rev. L. F. Autenrieth. Robert F. Taylor, brother of the bride, was best man, and Miss Eleanor Salisbury was the bride's attendant.

Mrs. Autenrieth wore a powder blue dress, and a corsage of Talisman roses.

The couple are at home in their apartment in St. Elmo, where Mr. Autenrieth is a teacher in the St. Elmo grade school. He received his A.B. degree from Greenville College in 1940. Mrs. Autenrieth graduated from the Decatur High school with the mid-year class this year.

**Young-Chamberlain**

Barbara Young of the Employment Department, and Robert B. Chamberlain were married June 6 in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Young, 1505 North Church street. The ceremony was performed at 8 P.M. by Rev. Leo Duerson, pastor of the First Congregational church.

Attendants were Alice Landers and Harold Young. The bride wore white silk with pink and blue accessories and carried a corsage of sweet peas and delphinium. Her attendant wore pink with white accessories, and carried a sweet pea corsage.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chamberlain of Harristown. Following a brief honeymoon to Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain are now at home north of Harristown. Barbara has been in the Employment Department since October 28, 1940.

**Fisher-Dodwell**

Ruby Fisher and Carl Dodwell of the Cost Department were married June 1 in St. Paul's Lutheran parish house by Rev. Walter Obermeyer. The bride wore a street length orchid dress with beige redingote, beige accessories, hat of green leaves topped with orchid flowers, and an orchid at her waist. Miss Sybil Davis, her niece, wore brown print with sheer redingote, brown and white accessories, and talisman roses. John Martin Wenger was best man.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Anna Fisher, 1404 East Leafand avenue, and Carl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dodwell, 1064 North Jordan. Carl has been with the company since 1935.

After a dinner in Webb's Country Inn, Mr. and Mrs. Dodwell left for a trip to Detroit, and are now at home in an apartment at 348 West Prairie avenue.

**Adams-Grandfield**

Katherine Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Adams, 1113 North College street, and James H. Grandfield, 1103 North College street, were married last October 6 in St. Charles, Missouri, by Rev. C. C. Ellis of Kingshighway Baptist church. The bridegroom is employed in Dept. 9.

**Nelson-Ursery**

Norma Nelson, daughter of C. F. (John) Dunaway, and Leon Ursery, son of F. B. Ursery of Barry, Illinois, were married Saturday, June 15 in Palmyra, Missouri, by Judge Johnson. Attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nelson, brother and sister-in-law of the bride. Norma has been working in Dept. 9 since her graduation from the Decatur High School with the 1941 mid-year class.

**Hedrick-Ridgeway**

Betty Hedrick and Robert Ridgeway, son of Al Ridgeway of the Receiving Department, were married in St. Louis on May 31 by the minister of the Baptist church. Robert is employed at Plant 2. They are living on R. R. 5.

## MUNICIPAL OPERA

Among the thousands who attended the June 21 performance of Victor Herbert's "Sweethearts" as presented by the Municipal Opera association in St. Louis, were Raymond and Ruth Fritts, June Krumsiek, Edna Johnston, Jane Cranston, Dorothy Cooper, Mae Gillibrand, Opal Jackson, Mary Ruth and Hilbert Oliver. Jane and Floyd Wheeler saw the same show a couple of nights earlier. Everyone agreed that the music, the dancing, and the comedy were very much worth the trans-Mississippi trip.

**Never Benzine Again**

Mary had a little lamp,

She filled it with benzine;

She went to light her little lamp,

And hasn't since benzine.

## OTHER GRADUATES



Left to right:—Marcella, daughter of Merle Fleckenstein, Dept. 9, graduated from St. Teresa High School on June 12. She is the granddaughter of Mike Fleckenstein, Dept. 9, and the sister of Joe, shipping department.

Leonard, son of Roy Fleckenstein, Dept. 80, also graduated from St. Teresa.

Margaret Zerfowski who is the sister of Walter in Dept. 80, and Lucille and Eleanor of the Core Department, graduated from the Decatur High School.

## BRASS CHIPS

Garold Powell of the night foundry, returned June 16. He had been unable to work since injuring his hand on March 25 while aiding a friend in an attempt to move a stalled truck.

Cecil Long of the night boiler room force was absent from May 27 to June 8 because of a sprained back.

Gottlieb Leipski, Dept. 8, returned to work on June 9. He had been confined to his home since March 24 because of ill health.

William Morrissey, Plant 2, who had a serious bout with the flu and pneumonia, was able to return to work on June 10.

Guy Jones of the Foundry was laid up for a while with a boil on his arm.

Charles Chepan, Dept. 8 at night, spent a week vacation nursing an injured hand.

Clarence Rubicam of the Tool Room was absent one week with the flu, and then followed that week with a vacation of one week.

Norman True, Dept. 8, underwent an appendectomy on May 19. He is now recuperating at home.

Gerald Taylor, foundry grinding room, also was a victim of appendicitis. He was operated upon June 16.

Earl Dilbeck, Plant 2, has been off work since May 26, suffering from flu which developed into pneumonia.

William Binstead, window washer, drop-

ped a piece of ice on his foot on June 16. A fractured toe resulted.

John Maxwell, night watchman, has been home with an infected foot since June 6.

Ralph Uhler, Chaney's right hand man, was recently notified that he had been accepted by the government as a mail carrier. He took his civil service examination quite some time ago. Ralph was succeeded by Ross Emerson, for several years the principal of grade schools at Stonington.

The Cost Department looks unfamiliar these days, with all the new faces. There's Bob Whitacre, son of Oris Whitacre, who is working mornings only during the vacation period; Norma Morenz, whose father was a molder at Plant 2 for many years; Maurice Tucker and Robert Grabowski. Over in the paymaster's office is Bernard Morton, son of Carl Morton, Plant 2, who also is working during the vacation period. Both Bernard and Bob Whitacre will return to school in the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bowan and two sons have been vacationing at Lake Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of the Engineering Department spent their vacation visiting Denver, Colorado, Salt Lake City, and Yellowstone Park. Snow prevented their driving to the top of Pike's Peak.

Joe Brownback took his vacation and then resigned. He expects to enter air service in the very near future.

Roy Harper was called home by the death of his mother at Eddyville, Illinois, on June 14. Funeral services were conducted on Sunday.



Three sons of Black Morrison of the Brass Foundry went to Camp Forest with the March contingent of the Illinois National Guard. We were unable to obtain pictures of the boys at that time, but in the meantime they sent back a large number of interesting snapshots taken about the camp. Space limits our use to those shown here. The upper left hand picture is just a general view of trucks and barracks at Camp Forest, while the lower left shows Robert Morrison, age 22. Lower right, perched high upon the tree trunk is Merle, age 19.

The next group shows Helen, the oldest daughter; then Riley, age 24, who is at Camp Forest; lower left, Virgil, who works in the Mueller Co. Galvanizing Department; and Mrs. Morrison, with two other daughters, Mildred and Mabel. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have nine children altogether, including two sons, Orville and Dean, not shown here. Blackie, whose name happens to be Alva, has been a molder in the brass foundry for twenty-four years.

**One Lie, Always Calls for Another**

First Liar: "Yes, when I was in Africa a lion ran across my path; I had no gun in my hand, so I took a pail of water and poured it over his head, and he ran away."

Second Liar: "I can vouch for that. I was in Africa at the time, and the lion ran into me. And when I stroked his mane, it was still quite damp."

**Righto!**

He: "Did you ever run across a man who at the slightest touch would cause you to thrill and tremble all over?"

She: "Yes. The dentist."

**Two Fooled**

The girl about to travel alone was warned about talking to strange men. At the station the conductor asked:

"Where are you going?"

"To Detroit," she answered, so he put her on the Detroit train.

As the train pulled out she looked out and said:

"Ha, ha! I fooled him that time. I'm going to Chicago."

**Or Crazy**

Judith Marie: "Are they in love?"

Jennie Linde: "They must be. She listens to him describe a football game and he listens to her telling how her cousin's new dress is made."

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owski. Morris after he became a member of our organization, took time out to graduate from high school. And, incidentally, he graduated with high honors. Smart people we have here.



When Carl Dodwell returned to work June 9, he had the usual homecoming accorded to our recently wed. We believe the desk-decorators really outdid themselves this time. There was a good deal of color in the paper tape, and there were nice touches—the pair of old shoes. The "Just Married" sign was brand new for the occasion.

**NOW LOCATED AT  
JEFFERSON BARRACKS**



Joe Syfert, Jr., who has been with the company for sixteen months, the last five of which he worked as a truck driver, resigned last month to voluntarily enter the air service. He left immediately for Rantoul where he expects to study the mechanical and electrical branches of aviation. To qualify for this service, one must have an eighth grade schooling and be able to pass both mental and physical tests, all of which Joe did. He is the son of Joe, Sr., who is a night watchman.

**FROM THE BOYS IN CAMP**

**Letters to J. W. Wells Give Interesting  
Side Lights on Service**



Recently the company sent boxes of cafeteria baked cookies to Mueller employees who answered the "call to arms" and are now stationed in various parts of the country. Appreciation of the gifts is mentioned in the letters received by J. W. Wells. Read these letters, they are interesting.

**Excerpts from letters from boys at camp:  
Robert Workman, Camp Forrest, Tenn.**

"I got the box that you sent, and the cookies were sure fine. The boys and I went for them in a big way. The Morrison boys and Bob Moore got their cookies, too. We don't have much time to write letters. We work 18 hours a day, and not 8 hours like we did at the factory. I will be glad to get back to work there. Some of us go into town over the week ends, and that is almost like being at home."

**Ed Keil, Camp Forrest, Tullahoma, Tenn.**

"I was happy to receive your letter and pleased that you are interested enough in me to take some of your busy time to drop a line. Right at the moment all of the band boys are in the midst of getting shoes polished, clothes cleaned, horns shined,

etc. for the first parade of any type since we've been down here. The Governor of Tennessee is going to review the Tennessee troops stationed here, and a few of the Illinois regiments. Only one infantry unit was chosen, and that was ours, the 130th. We were picked because we are the best equipped and have shown ourselves worthy of the honor more so than any other Illinois infantry regiment. Our band is going to lead the whole parade, and we are all quite thrilled over that fact.

"I find the army life not so bad most of the time, but at times I wish I were any place but in it. The camp is very wonderful, living conditions excellent, food pretty good, and quite a few recreational facilities. However, the recreational angle right now seems to be the most pressing need.

"Last night I visited a drafted friend of mine at the hospital. He had a little trouble of some kind, and was O.K. in a day or so, but as it is, he's been in the hospital two weeks and still isn't getting his release for a while. That is the way it is in everything down here, the organization has to be worked out better, but no doubt that will all be done in time.

"I have been the official music maker on my cornet for singing in different mess halls for the past two weeks and enjoy it a lot. The song leader leads the men, and I play the tune on my cornet to help them. We go to a different mess hall each night, and that way I get to meet a lot of new fellows, and get all the supper I want besides. Tomorrow we're having a big sing for the whole regiment with the band playing the music. Our regiment really likes to sing.

"This week end I'm expecting my folks down for a visit. We'll probably spend most of the time in Chattanooga. Thanks again for your letter, and remember me to all the Muellerrites."

**Delmont Parks, Camp Roberts, Calif.**

"I am sorry not to have answered your letter sooner, but it seems as though Uncle Sam is always finding something for me to do. It is better that way, though, because it keeps us from getting homesick, which is very easy to do this far away. I don't know what I would do if it wasn't for the letters.

"Our preliminary 13 weeks training will soon be over. In fact, we don't expect to be here for the full 13 weeks. Our officers don't like the idea of us receiving this training so fast. They say we are being rushed too fast for our own good, but I guess the good old United States is in a desperate situation. None of us fellows have the slightest belief that we will be taken to Europe, though. If we do enter the war, we all think that our navy will do most of the fighting. Even our superior officers think this. Our army is evidently being trained for defense. I certainly wish some

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SURPRISE ROMANCE



Members of the Los Angeles organization were much surprised when Mary Thompson announced her engagement to Eddie Schlagel at the house-warming party of Evelyn Blakeslee. No one had suspected that this romance existed, but a week later on April 26, they were married. It was at a down-town wedding chapel that the Rev. King united them before a few intimate friends. A wedding dinner was enjoyed at the Riverra Club, and the management made the most of it. The band played a few pieces and dedicated them to the newlyweds. One piece was "It Makes No Difference Now," and by that time it would have been too late, anyhow.

The office and shipping room and a few in the factory presented them with a beautiful coffee table, and numerous gifts were received from friends in the Polishing and Buffing Department. All the good wishes anyone could think of came their way, and there is no doubt but that this will be a happy marriage for both.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Short observed their 25th wedding anniversary on June 7, and celebrated the event with a family dinner and open house on Sunday. They have five children, two daughters and three sons, Mrs. Gilbert Ball of Blue Mound, Rosemary Short at home, and Russell Short of Elwin, Herlan and William, both at home. Cecil has been with the company since 1933.

Flapper Fanny—"My folks think I should pay less attention to boys and more to algebra—but I say which am I going to use the most in life—algebra or boys?"

SARNIA NOTES

The Softball teams are well under way. The sound of creaking joints was quite obvious around the office for a couple of days after the opening game but other than a little stiffness and a few dislocated fingers there were no serious mishaps.

On June 3 the office girls had their opening game with Dept. 14. Betty Hart is Captain of the office team and Milly Green of Dept. 14. Betty's team defeated Milly's by a score of 32 to 18. On June 5 the office played the Bond team and defeated them by a score of 33 to 15. Gertrude Tully is Captain of the Bond team. To date there has been some pretty wild ball playing but we expect the girls will be getting down to business very soon now and each team will give the other a run for their money.

The Men's teams are standing as follows:

Team—	W.	L.	Pct.
Forgers .....	1	0	1000
Brass Shop .....	1	0	1000
Foundry .....	1	1	.500
Gain No. 10 .....	1	1	.500
Office .....	0	1	.000
Gain No. 11 .....	0	1	.000

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We told you some time ago that Roy Murphy in the Brass Shop couldn't decide whether to get married or buy a car—well, he bought the car, a puddle jumper, but instead of sticking to puddles he tried it on a ditch and it hasn't been the same since. Murphy says it is still running though but we haven't seen it since.

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During the month of May Lyle Perry of Dept. 14 was married to Miss Elaine Hyatt of this city.

Verne Swift of Dept. 14 was married to Miss Alice Wark, also of this city.

Francis Hemstreet of Dept. 3 was married to Miss Theresa Prentice of this city.

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Our Baby Department is not nearly as popular this month as previously with only 2 new babies on our list.

On May 5, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ferguson, a son, Roger Carman.

During the month of May, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lee had a little eight weeks old baby girl come to live with them. They call her Marianne Elizabeth Lee. Congratulations, Folks.

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Charlie Browatt, a former employee of the Electric Auto-Lite of this city has now become a member of our Accounting Department Staff.

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Ducky Knowles of Dept. 14 left on Saturday, May 7th, to become a member of the R.C.A.F.

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Jimmie Hollinger, who is now working in our Sales Department, returned to Bowling Green University recently where he was

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## DIDN'T GET AWAY



Did you eat fish at the cafeteria Monday noon, June 16? If you did, you not only had a good lunch, but you partook of the 48-lb. catfish shown in the above picture. The picture in the upper left hand corner shows Clifford (Buck) Fowler along the bank of the Okaw river, where the fish was caught on a No. 6 Carlyle hook. To the right is Buck with his catch and Bill Brewer. Buck and his wife are custodians at the Okaw cabin, and Mrs. Fowler formerly worked in the Core Room and also the Polishing Department under Otto Halmbacher. We'd say Buck knows his stuff when it comes to catching fish, and he's in the right place to catch the big ones.

How about it, Emmett, and you Los Angeles fishermen?

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presented with a Bachelor of Science and Business Administration Degree. Nice Going, Jim.

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Everett Shrigley of Dept. 8 recently returned from a trip through Western Canada to Wilkie, Saskatchewan. Everett made this trip due to the illness of his mother who suffered a very severe stroke recently so therefore the trip was not a very enjoyable one. Everett reported on his return that she was some better.

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Almeda Reeve of the Accounting Dept. is spending a weeks vacation in the Georgian Bay District.

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#### Your Morning Smile

Exasperated machine shop foreman to new mechanic holding broken tool in his hand. "Remember, Winston Churchill said, 'Give us the tools and we'll finish the job,' and not, 'Give us the job and we'll finish the tools.'"

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of you people back home could see some of this army. You wouldn't worry a bit about Hitler. Your American army is full of wonderful and plenty tough young, healthy men. We have met some wonderful young men here. Some that we shall never forget.

"I presume you know all about our wonderful week end in Los Angeles. It certainly makes you appreciate being a member of such a firm as the Mueller Co., and I still feel that I am."

Harry Sackriter, Camp Roberts, Calif.

"Parks, Bill Draper, and myself really had a super-time while in Los Angeles. They had made reservations for us at the Hotel Savoy, and Herman Dash and George Leach were entertainers. I must say they planned everything up to the last minute. That night they had reservations for us at Florentine Gardens, a table right on the dance floor, marvelous show with beautiful girls, big steak dinner, and fifteen cent cigars. I must say we were really living.

"Sunday morning we went out to the plant and enjoyed it very much. Would liked to have seen it in operation, but Uncle Sam couldn't see it that way. Then made a five hour tour of Los Angeles, Hollywood, Pasadena, and Beverly Hills. Can understand why Troy liked his trip last year so much. Went out to Mr. and Mrs. Dill's in the afternoon, and had a nice visit. Then we ate at a place called Adolph's Stillheating Steaks. Back with the boys about three Monday morning, and were not too sharp in the field that day.

"We enjoyed the Records very much, and they are read by the other boys in our barracks."

#### MUELLER SOCIAL CLUB

The Mueller Social Club held a May breakfast at Mueller Heights on May 4. Mrs. Howard Gragg had charge, and about twenty attended. It was a beautiful morning for an outdoor breakfast and the Heights is an ideal place for such an outing.

The regular meeting of the Club was held on May 21. Because of the illness of Mrs. Archie Sefton's father, Mrs. Ralph Duncan took charge assisted by Mrs. Marshall Hobbs and Mrs. John Bixler. The hostesses served strawberries with whipped cream on angel food cake. The tables were decorated with peonies and irises. About forty attended.

The annual election of officers was held. President—Mrs. Howard Gragg  
Vice-President—Mrs. Loyle Davis  
Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Ralph Duncan.  
Guest prizes were given to lucky numbers held by Mrs. Bixler and Matt Trott.

"I shouldn't care so much about the bugs, madam," said the pale, thin lodger, "but the fact is, I haven't so much blood to spare."

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Announcement**—Mable Gates announces that her brother, Joe, has formed the J. I. Gates Co. dealing in roofing, lumber, and insulation, now located at 565 E. Wood street. Phone 8322.

## ITEMS FOR SALE

**Brooms For Sale**—Made by the blind at factory in Tuscola. Handled by Mrs. Charles Riley, 1111 N. Monroe. Phone 2-5146.

**Roller Skates:** These are almost new, 10 degree rink skates with rollers in perfect condition. Will sell extremely reasonable. Size 5. W. C. Hays. 851 W. Packard St.

**For Sale:** All porcelain Oakland coal range, practically new. Steel top, 6 hole, 18 inch fire pot, full size oven and reservoir. See Robert Oberline, Clock No. 8026, or call at 2598 N. Church street.

**For Sale:** Bigelow Broadloom rug, 9'x10', with waffle weave pad. Like new. Cost \$60 new and will sell for less than half. Frank Kushmer, 1368 E. Logan Street, Dept. 1.

**For Sale:** Good black dirt. Will haul it anywhere you say. Also will remove dirt, do any kind of hauling or cleaning. See or call Hap Thompson, Dept. 9, 735 N. Monroe, Phone 2-0166.

**For Sale:** Jewel Gas Range, side oven, A-1 condition, \$10. 4 Garage doors, \$1 each. See Blue Lusk, Foundry.

**For Sale:** Large quantity of glass fruit jars, in pint and quart sizes. Will sell as a whole or in any quantity desired. Thomas E. Knowles, 988 W. View Street. Phone 7445.

**For Sale:** Man's bicycle. \$8. Pair boxing gloves, \$4. Roland Friend, 448½ N. Monroe Street.

**For Sale:** Modern House, 7 rooms, extra lot. 1000 West Eldorado. Jack Grinestaff, Department 8.

**For Sale:** One cistern pump, brass cylinder, good as new. One all metal cold air register. 844 N. Edward street.

**For Sale:** Pine kindling, cut and split stove length. \$2.50 load delivered. See Harold Mohr, Dept. 63.

**For Sale:** Split cedar posts at 26c each. See John Maxwell, night watchman, or leave word at the watchman's office.

## ITEMS FOR SALE

**For Sale:** Tender Baby Golden Popcorn. Kept under sanitary conditions. Guaranteed to pop. 8c a lb. George L. Hunt, 556 N. Monroe St.

**For Sale:** Western Field 22 Repeating Rifle. Will shoot short-long, or long rifle shells. \$12.50. See Clark Curry, Dept. 8, or 1615 N. Water Street.

**For Sale:** Yellow Pop Corn—7c per pound. Roy Pease, Harristown Telephone 296.

**For Sale:** 1941 Model Remington Portable Typewriter. Used only two weeks. Will sacrifice for \$40. See Al May. Dept. 300.

## WANTED

**Wanted to Buy:** A play pen. See Wayne Wright, Dept. 9.

**Wanted:** Wall paper to clean. Reasonable price and work guaranteed. Claude Stacey. 770 West Olive St. Phone 9115.

## I THINK!

You say "I think" ten times a day.  
Or fifteen times, or twenty,  
And even more. Well, anyway,  
You sure repeat it plenty.  
And start your brain-cells clinking:  
"I think" you say, but do you Think  
Or only Think you're thinking?

How often is the thing you're thought  
Out of yourself created  
And not a dictum you've been taught  
And simply imitated?  
Into a reverie you sink  
And like an owl you're blinking,  
But do you actually Think,  
Or only Think you're thinking?

"I think," you say—and ladle out  
Some musty old opinion  
That probably was known about  
In Pharaoh's dominion.  
Do new ideas ever slink  
Into your cranium's chinking?  
I wonder—do you really Think  
Or only Think you're thinking?

Traditions, customs, fill your head,  
And some of them have virtue,  
But most of them have long been dead,  
They fester there and hurt you.  
Son, chuck that clutter in the drink,  
Wake up—don't sit there blinking!  
Wake up! And then perhaps you'll think  
And not just Think you're thinking!