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SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER

Class Studying Mueller Goods Enjoy Social at Lodge

Every Monday night since November 16, a group of employes interested in learning more about the Mueller line, have been attending a school of instruction. On April 19, Frank Mueller announced that the school would close for this year, with a dinner at the Mueller Lodge on Thursday night, April 22, and all those who had attended regularly, as well as those who had begun but not completed the course, would be invited to express their criticism and offer suggestions for the continuation of the school year. About fifty persons attended this dinner, which consisted of the delicious swiss steak for which our cafeteria is noted, stuffed potatoes, peas and carrots, lettuce salad, radishes, celery, strawberry shortcake, and coffee.

An Experiment

Following the dinner, Frank Mueller explained that the school had been conducted as an experiment, the purpose being to help those interested to learn more about the Mueller line. The extra trouble, expense and personal sacrifice necessary on the part of both instructors and students being justified by the knowledge that the more an employe understands about his work, and the goods he is helping to manufacture, the more efficient and competent he becomes, and consequently more valuable to both himself and the company.

In the open discussion that followed there were many suggestions as to ways to improve the school, should it be decided to conduct it another year.

L. W. Mueller gave a short, interesting talk on the school, and the future of young people in the business world.

"The real American spirit of every ambitious young man," he said, "is to hold better jobs and earn more money. This is not gained by depending on luck. Every man's future depends upon his past, and when a man gets a break, it is not luck—he is cashing in on hard work, planning, and a reputable past."

Advice to Young Men

"Every young man who gets a job is regarded by his employer as a possible future asset to the business. That is why the employer finds out what his habits are when he

is off the job. It is when a young man may do as he pleases without supervision, that his behavior is most interesting to an employer who wants him to advance in usefulness. If he is thrifty, shuns unnecessary expenditures, and reads instructive books, he becomes a promising fellow likely to prove a valuable asset to the business.

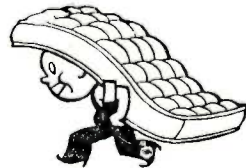
"Young men who spend all they earn are not good prospects. A business is not looking for spenders in its important posts. They are never quite safe. A man who does not save for himself is not likely to save for a business. He is never concerned by evidence of waste—and that is what a proprietor is most concerned about."

Robert H. Mueller told of a few of his early experiences in the shop, and the meeting was closed by L. W. Mueller.

Many of the crowd remained for cards, ping pong, or other recreational events.

GETTING WELL AGAIN

Fred Klinek, formerly with the Decatur organization but now with Los Angeles, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis, which was performed April 1 at the Glendale Research Hospital, Glendale, California. He was able to resume his duties April 21. Although not yet fully recovered he is able to be on duty daily and is gradually recovering his strength, all of which is good news to his Decatur friends.



**Even if Your Job
is Soft that is no
excuse to Lay
Down On It**

BUYING A HOME

In recent months there has been renewed interest in the matter of home ownership. This has been stimulated by the rapid rise in rent. A number of people think that the present is a good time to buy and so avoid paying rent.

A number say, "If I could just borrow the money, I would buy a house." But no one is willing to sell on that basis. It is a pretty well recognized principle that the person who buys property should have some money of his own. The building and loan associations require from 33% to 50% down. Private parties will sometimes accept 20 or even 10% down, but in those cases the monthly installment is apt to be high.

If you want to buy a home and have no money saved your problem is to get together some money of your own to make a down payment. Our savings plan is a good way to start.

We do not consider it wise to loan money for down payment on real estate, altho we are often asked to do so. Our loan fund was never intended to finance real estate purchases, altho we have from time to time make small loans to help cover margins that could not otherwise be covered.

When it comes to signing a contract for the purchase of real estate, one needs the guidance of an attorney. The matter of title is important and your attorney can help you on this.

Do not set your monthly payment at too high a figure. Real estate contracts usually extend over a long period and you may not be able to do in the future what you think you can do now. One who buys a piece of property always finds that he had a good many unexpected expenses which may require more money than he has.

Real estate taxes are a continuing expense which should be figured on a monthly basis instead of the yearly basis. Annual taxes to the amount of \$50 is equivalent to \$4.17 a month. That sum should be set aside and be ready for the tax collector in May.

Inquiries should be made about special assessments for pavements, water, and sewers.

The interest rate is important. Interest at 7% a year is 40% higher than interest at 5%.

We will not venture any predictions on the real estate market farther than to say there seems to be a strong tendency at present for real estate values to rise.

NEW DOG CATCHER

Clarence Hays of the Printing Department has turned "dog catcher" on the side, and finds it profitable. Recently he picked up a stray Boston Bull of high degree and upon returning it to the owner, as the result of an advertisement, he received a nice new five dollar bill. However, Clarence will stick to the printing business. He has analyzed the dog catching business and convinced himself that there is not enough lost pedigreed Boston Bulls to make a sustained profit.

R. H. MUELLER'S CLOSE CALL

With Companion He Had Close Call When Boat Upset

Saturday, April 17, 1937, will not be soon forgotten by R. H. Mueller and companion, Verne Talbert. At noon they went to the Sangamon River to try out a boat with an outboard motor. They were operating in the vicinity of the old water works dam, which is a few hundred feet west of the Illinois Central bridge. This dam now has nothing to do with the water supply but it has never been removed, and in high stages of water, the drop is four or five feet. The water is deep below this dam. When the boat caught in the current and the swirling waters, it got out of control and upset. Dressed in winter clothing and wearing rubber boots, which weighted them down, the two men had a hard fight to save themselves from drowning. Luckily some fishermen on the bank were able to get a line to them and they were dragged into wading water and helped ashore. When "Bobbie" admits that there were moments when he never expected to reach shore alive, his friends appreciate what a close call it was and how fortunate he was to get ashore and back to his office the following Monday morning.

NURSE AND CLERK

Fern Pope began work in the Personnel Department on the morning of April 19 as nurse and clerk. For the past eight years she has been in Dr. Long's office where she has become expert in first aid. She will be on duty regularly and will handle our first aid.

The Dispensary and Doctor's office are being repainted and sterilized and put in good order. The nurse will be on duty during the noon hour. Those who wish to have dressings made will please see her then.

Dr. Long will now come earlier in the forenoon on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; but will not be here during the noon hour.

PRACTICE WORK

Helen Jones, a member of the Decatur High School Class of 1937, had two weeks practical office experience as a part of her commercial course. She divided her time between the Employment and the Accounting Departments. Ruth Haggard was her successor, beginning April 19.

Senior Students of the Commercial Department sometimes gain experience in this way and the High School allows them credit.

OUR CARTOONIST

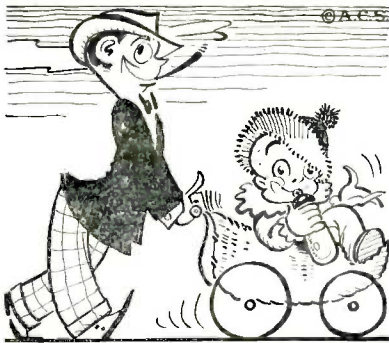
The cartoons in this issue were drawn by Rex Smith of the Pattern room. A credit name below each was overlooked. Rex is getting good enough to sign his name.

TIED TO HIS TALE



And this is how it happened. Charlie Morrenz visited Chestnut, not far from Decatur. Impressed by the trip, he told friends about it one noon recently. Engrossed with his recital, he forgot when time came to ring in, but kept talking to a companion. The companion rings in fifteen minutes later than Charlie, who thereby discovered he was fifteen minutes to the bad.

BIRTHS



MONSKA—Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Mon-ska, Jola Lena, April 3. Mr. Mon-ska is a molder in the Iron Foundry.

DONALDSON—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray-ronrd Donaldson, Darleen Dixie, January 21.

CHATTANOOGA NEWS

American Water Works Assn. Meeting

The combined meeting of the Southeastern section of the A. W. W. A. and the Kentucky-Tennessee Section, comprising six states, was held in Chattanooga April 5th, 6th, and 7th. Headquarters for the Convention was at the Hotel Patton.

Our company was represented by W. B. Ford, Floyd V. Johnson, M. E. Henderson, Paul G. Jacka, C. M. W. Rand, Jr., and Hugh L. Baker. In addition to the above, foremen of the factory departments attended the stag dinner held on Monday evening.

Mrs. Alice Burkhart and Mrs. Mabel Phillips from our office handled the stenographic details in connection with registration.

This convention was an excellent opportunity for us to renew old acquaintances and make new ones. Quite a number of the delegates went through our plant.

Officials of both sections were high in their praise of the contribution that we made to the success of this meeting.

Frank Odell and Floyd Johnson were in Chattanooga the week of April 12th.

On Saturday evening, April 10th, Miss Sarah
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BACK TO THE FARM



Mrs. Clara Gilbert, a former well known member of the office force. She was for several years in charge of the mail desk and also acted as assistant to E. H. Langdon of the employment office. Mrs. Gilbert has a farm in Coles county and she left us to settle on the property and give it personal attention.

NATURAL GAS MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mueller and O. J. Hawkins will attend the annual convention of the Natural Gas men in Kansas City during the week of May 10. The salesmen scheduled to attend are Harry V. Seevers, George H. Hofmann, and Bob Whitehead. The convention will be held in the Municipal Auditorium, and a very large attendance is anticipated as natural gas has become of great importance to producers and consumers alike. A display including our staple lines and some of the newer goods has been prepared for this convention.

Strong Man: "I hear that John, the half-man and half-woman, is sick."

Living Skeleton: "Yes, I know she hasn't been feeling himself lately."—*Penn. State Froth.*

The excursion train jerked to a stop.

The brakeman suppressed a laugh: "There's serious trouble up front," he said.

"The cowcatcher has a calf."—*Blue Gator.*

Matt Trott sprained a leg tendon or muscle and was off for a few days.

LOS ANGELES NOTES

We are in receipt of a clipping from the Los Angeles Post Advocate which carries a picture of Gerald Preshaw and a quite extended notice to the effect that he was to address a meeting of the Los Angeles Chapter, National Association of Cost Accountants. The Post Advocate says: "This executive is recognized in accounting circles as an authority on standard costs and the topic of his address will be 'Standard Cost Statements and the Resulting Controls.'"

A resident of Alhambra since October, 1933, Preshaw is a graduate of Baker University. His son, Jerry, was graduated from Alhambra High School in the summer of 1936 and is now a student at Pasadena Junior College.

Friends of the Preshaws will be pleased to hear of this recognition of Gerald, as well as of the progress of his son, Jerry.

Earl Bright Beaned

The California correspondent adds:

"Another happening besides Cec (Foltz) getting a hair cut—his first this year—Earl Bright lost a bunch of curls in a horse shoe game, when a pitched shoe landed on his bean instead of the peg. In order to take six necessary stitches in the wound, the doctor had to remove a wad of Earl's hair. Earl was to have taken part in a wedding ceremony that evening—not his own.—We understand, however, that he is to be a principal in a similar event before long."

How About It Mr. Anguelles?

Mr. Anguelles, who was confined to a hospital for many weeks about a year ago, is planning to return for an operation for hernia. After seeing him play ball at a recent week end picnic makes us think that some of those good-looking nurses have proved too great an attraction for his return to the hospital for an operation.

George Tolladay Buys Home

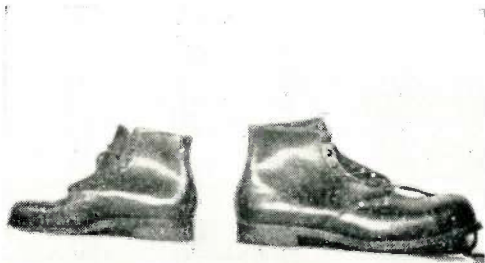
George Tolladay recently took a position in the superintendent's office and is now in charge of time studies, in addition to other office duties. George has just negotiated for a new home in Alhambra and has taken possession. He has been shopping for a home for about three months. We are all glad to see George settle down for it affords the much yearned for narratives of hair-breadth escapes from real estate agents.

We All Know Edna

Edna Porter, who has been with the company almost from the very beginning of operation in this plant is leaving our employ the first of next month. As you know, Edna was married about a year ago and no doubt finds that holding a job and taking care of a good-looking husband is a little too much work. We all will miss Miss Porter as she is a fine person to know and work with.

SAFETY SHOES SAVE TOE

A man, whom we will call Bill Perkins, because that was not his name, was persuaded by Langdon to try a pair of safety shoes. Bill grumbled somewhat but he went away with shoes, when it was arranged that they come out of pay after next.



Bill grumbled a little more as he was breaking them in for they were heavier than other shoes. One day the two-inch corporation stop slipped out of his hands, came down on the toe cap of his new shoe, cut thru the leather over the safety cap. But Bill's toe was not hurt.

This is the type of shoe that saved Bill Perkins' toes. They will do as much for you. See Mr. Langdon at the Employment office.

JOKE ON BURT?

What you give out you get back. In buying old newspapers from small boys Burt Jackson is very exacting in excluding magazines which weigh heavily, and cannot be used for packing. When Burt brought a package of newspapers from home, and some one found a few magazines in the bundle, there was a great laugh on Burt, but he took it good naturedly as he explained that there was an error. Then the truth leaked out. Some of the shipping room kidders hid a few magazines in the bundle of papers and then pretended discovering them and called Burt's attention to the "find." The incident was reported by Charlie Cochran, who is a past master at kidding and "putting up jobs." The guilty finger points to him.

Out of Sight—Out of Mind

An American missionary, teaching a class of Japanese, gave each one a maxim to memorize for the next day's lesson. The subjects were the standard truisms of the copy-book and each student was given a different one to learn.

The following day each pupil was sent to the blackboard, and asked to write the maxim he had been told to learn.

Painstakingly selecting a piece of chalk, one little Oriental carefully wrote the words: "Invisible idiot."

The teacher looked at it, smiled at the boy and said:

"You have the idea but not the exact words I gave you."

What was the maxim the teacher had given him?

"Out of sight—out of mind."

PILEATED WOODPECKER

Okaw Cabin Crowd Have Picture Framed for Adolph

We received a splendid piece of lithography the other day from Donnelly & Son, well-known Chicago printers. The subject was pileated Woodpeckers, displayed on a sheet 22x30. There was a group of these birds, including an old male and female and two young ones. This woodpecker is one of the larger members of this species and frequents heavy timber. It closely resembles our common red-headed woodpecker, its head being red, but tufted. The birds in this picture were copied from a painting by Audubon, the greatest of bird artists. We showed it to Charles Cochran and other habitués of the Okaw bottoms, and it was decided by them to have it framed and presented to Adolph to be hung on the walls of the Okaw Cabin.

SARNIA NOTES

Mueller Dance

Approximately two hundred and fifty Mueller employees and their friends were present at the dance held in the Mueller Recreational Hall, on Friday, April 2, 1937. The event proved a decided success. During the evening round and square dancing was enjoyed to music provided by H. Johnston and his orchestra. Balloons and streamers added a colorful touch to the dance.

Later in the evening lunch was served. Much of the credit for the success of this dance, sponsored by the Employees Aid Society, was due to the capable efforts of the committee in charge.

It is generally hoped that we may enjoy many more of these enjoyable social functions together.

We were all sorry to learn why Norm Wright was unable to attend the dance. Seemingly Norm's son had to undergo an emergency operation for appendicitis the same night. However it is great to know that the invalid is getting along nicely and all is well.

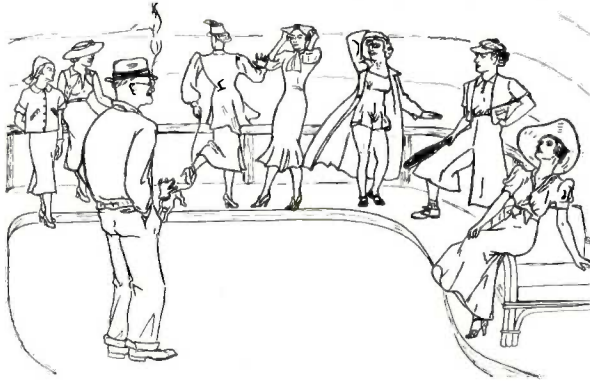
Alex Hodges is a little in our black books. He certainly "pulled a fast one" at the dance. He was accompanied by such a charming lady, that the office girls were left standing like wall-flowers while the boys played dancing attendance to Alex's fair lady. Alex said he didn't dance, and so was glad to oblige the boys.

We would like to know when Tom Dwinell of the foundry will be ready to entertain in his new home? It is a fine thing to note that many of the boys are building homes. We should at least get some parties out of them.

With the coming of the Spring weather, sports are being enthusiastically taken up once again. The boys are beginning to talk golf and baseball. Some have already batted the old

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NEW PATTERNS FOR 1937



George Krag knows a heap about patterns—too much to lose his head on this year's offerings—still he doesn't mind looking them over.

BRASS CHIPS

Wayne McCoy, who was injured in an automobile accident January 2, returned to work April 1 at Plant 2.

Dewey McKinley, of Dept. 300, is now working in Peoria.

George Sulwer, of the Polishing Department, lost a week's time due to an infected foot.

Bill was sport enough to show Langdon his scarred shoe and remarked, "I would have had a smashed toe if I had not been wearing safety shoes that time."

How many broken toes have been saved we have no means of knowing but there are far more than those we hear about.

Paul Jacka, Manager of the Columbian Iron Works of Chattanooga, Tennessee, was in Decatur several days the week of April 12. Paul reports considerable activity at the Southern Plant where the force is 250 at present.

Don Andrews is now foundry foreman and Marion Eckman is foreman of the machine shop. Joe Wall is now getting used to living in the South. He is in the office.

The force at the Pacific Coast Plant is now right at 200. Harry Lowe, of Dept. 9, was laid off early in the month and is now working at the Los Angeles Plant.

Several of our men who have been laid off are now working in Peoria. Some of them are on farms, others have no regular employment.

Ulie Friend was laid up last week with an injured leg. The confinement was harder for Ulie than the ailment.

Mrs. A. B. Bashore entertained a party of friends at the Mueller Athletic Club, April 18.

Roy Campbell returned to work in Dept. 9, April 20.

Fred Galka has been in Decatur and Macon County Hospital several weeks. He is reported to be making some improvement.

Mable Gates of the Stationery Department has been confined to her home for several days with an attack of intestinal flu.

To Our Sarnia Reporter

Said Jessie Jones to Virginia Drew
My writing I am sending you
Now on it will you congregate
And tell me if my final fate
Is bounded in by inhibition,
Or is my spirit boundless, free,
Refined innately, a joy to be.

Said Virginia Drew to Jessie Jones:
Your fine calligraphy depones
A nature full of mellow tones,
A will, oh yes, but not so firm
To make a sighing suitor squirm,
A heart responding to affection,
Is assertiveness a derelection?

—Author Unknown.

An Echo Answered

Tourist (in cave with famous echo)—
"Hello."

Echo—"Hello."

Tourist—"What are you doing down there?"

Echo—"Who the hell wants to know?"

DEATHS

Mrs. Eleanor E. Stevens

Mrs. Eleanor E. Stevens, daughter of Roy Pease of Dept. 33, died Saturday, April 10. She had been ill for several years.

Mrs. Stevens was born September 19, 1906, and was married to Kenneth G. Stevens in Chicago on April 20, 1929. Besides her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Pease, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. B. A. Wilkins.

Funeral services were conducted at the Dawson and Wikoff funeral home on Tuesday, April 13, and burial was at Rosehill cemetery in Chicago.

Samuel B. Gillespie

Samuel Bruce Gillespie died Sunday, April 18, at 8:30 P. M. in the Wabash Hospital. He had been ill for two weeks following a stroke of apoplexy. Mr. Gillespie was a native of Long Creek Township, where he was born April 1, 1882. He was married to Cora Green in 1911. She died in 1918 and he was married to Alice Iden, June 4, 1922. He leaves his wife and two sons, Melvin Gillespie by his first wife, and Bruce Gillespie by his second wife. He is also survived by five brothers and three sisters, one of whom is Mrs. Roy Wood, wife of Roy Wood of the foundry office. Funeral services were held in the First Christian Church, Tuesday, April 20, and burial was in North Fork Cemetery.

O. W. Dawson

O. W. Dawson, head of the Dawson Plumbing Co., North Main Street, who died suddenly Tuesday, April 20, following a heart attack, was known to many members of this organization. Years ago he was a member of the Decatur Plumbing Co., which was established by Mueller Co.

Edward K. Shaw

E. K. Shaw, age 66, died April 14 at his home, 270 W. Lealand. He suffered a stroke on Easter day. A wife and two daughters, Mrs. Allan N. Zacker, St. Louis, and Mrs. Robert C. Hoffman, LaGrange, Illinois, survive him. He also leaves three sisters.

Funeral services were held April 15 at the First Christian church.

Mr. Shaw was credit manager for Mueller Co. for many years. He voluntarily left the company about three years ago. Since then he had been identified with insurance and later accounting. He was an ardent Mason, being a member of No. 312 Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of which lodge he was at one time Grand Master. He was also a Masonic lecturer. He had many friends and acquaintances in this organization.

WEDDINGS

Dash—Ford

Naomi Dash and Carroll Ford were married Sunday, April 25, in the home of the bride's parents at Elm Grove.

They are living at 521 E. King street.

Mr. Ford is a lathe operator in Dept. 8.

CHATTANOOGA

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Willis Houston became the bride of Hugh L. Baker at the First Christian Church in Chattanooga.

The Rev. Linn D. Cartwright, pastor of the church, officiated.

The bride's father, Dr. David P. Houston, gave her in marriage and her attendants were her sister, Miss Mary David Houston, as maid of honor, and her younger sister, Miss Josephine Houston, Misses Helen MacLellan, Mary Elizabeth Clemons, and Kathrina Howze of Duluth, as bridesmaids.

Stephen Brewer of Detroit was Mr. Baker's best man and the groomsmen and ushers were Walter Allen, Jr., John Campbell, Dr. Jasper Reynolds, Edward Murrey, Jr., of Nashville, Francis Crockett, of Nashville and Keith Neece, of Detroit.

Following a southern wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Baker will be at home in the Westchester Apartments on Lookout Mountain.

The Amity Club met the evening of April 21st with Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Jacka.

Sidelights of Convention

Regarding Marion Eckman the least said the better—but he just couldn't take it.

Why do you suppose Homer Van Vleet's lost pipe was found in a certain room?

Ernie Campbell didn't miss his train this time, but he certainly missed that last bus home.

Who was the lady Billy Ford was introducing as "Mrs. Ford" at the dinner dance?

The convention must have affected Floyd Johnson's eyesight, judging from press reports of traffic accidents in Nashville immediately following the convention.

Clint Cooper has resolved to leave his gold fillings at home when he next attends a stag dinner.

Paul Jacka thinks the Hotel Patton serves the best coffee in all Chattanooga, while Monte Henderson is firm in his conviction that Columbian Iron Works has the best water in all the world.

Out of all the foremen attending the stag dinner, Don Andrews was the only one who knew when to go home.

Oscar Brown has a very plebeian taste. The \$1.00 refreshments were just fine, while the \$7.00 refreshments were, according to Oscar, "not so hot."

Who would think that Paul Jacka would develop into a stage door johnny?

Had to Walk Home

"Ain't you?"

"No."

"Then you'll have to get out."

So the good little girl got out and walked because the conductor would not let her ride without car fare.—Pitt Panther.

SARNIA

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tennis ball around, and complained of slight miseries the next day.

Another important spring event this year is the fact that a certain gentleman in the Brass Shop is sporting a nice big blue new car. It is awful to think what anguish the recent spring rains have caused him, all over the finish of his new pet.

We also notice that the same gentleman now wears white shirts to work, and that this new car is really a very special job, having two tail lights and a special panel for a clock. Then again we hear that he has been trying to gather information about "necking tools" from R. J. Skippon. What would you deduce from all this??? Can it be the Spring?

We read that "English Trains Are to Have Bath Tubs." Now, no doubt our Scottish cousins will do their traveling on Saturdays, in order to get their money's worth.

Domestic Science

Many a man who longs for things like his mother used to make forgets that his wife may long for the cheques like her father used to make.—*Guelph Mercury*.

Imagine a San Francisco woman has won \$50,000 for the alienation of her husband's

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A TRIO OF JACKAS



These three little daughters of Mr. and Mrs Paul Jacka were formerly residents of this city but now they belong in Chattanooga where Paul is in charge of the Mueller Plant, formerly Columbian Iron Works. This photo was taken on Easter Sunday. Left to right, Paula Ann, Mary and Patty.

SENT OUT S. O. S.



The stationery and printing department have been a busy spot during the past week or ten days, printing discount sheets, mailing out 40,000 of the new H-2 Plumbing Catalogs, the Mueller Record, and the regular run of work. In addition to the above, the plumbing mailing list is being revised, which requires remaking of several thousand addressograph plates.

The new plumbing catalog is made up entirely of plumbing goods. It is bound in heavy green cover paper and printed with purple ink. There is a pretty design on the front cover and the body is made up of good weight white enamel stock.

In order to handle this sudden rush of extra work, the department had to send out an S-O-S call to the core room. Evelyn Woodrum, Thelma Fishburn, Evelyn Pope, and Violet Collenberger came to the rescue and are rendering valuable aid.

STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

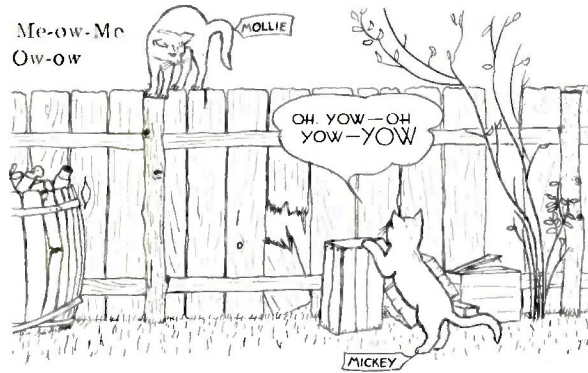
How often we drivers of automobiles encounter this sign when driving. The cross arms spell danger without the signs painted thereon. In spite of the fact that railroad crossings for a century have been known to be a menace to life and limb, we have not yet learned to be on our guard. They still claim a large annual toll. But the danger now is not confined entirely to railroad crossings. There is danger and death lurking in every foot of space you drive an automobile. No other known man-made thing produces a death rate equal to that of the automobile. You cannot be too serious, too careful, or too alert, and wide awake when you are behind the wheel. We suggest that all Mueller employes study the article in the May outside Record, "You Bet Your Life."

Time to Settle

Customer—"I've brought that last pair of trousers to be reseated. You know, I sit a lot."

Tailor: "Yes, and I hope you've brought the bill to be reseated, too. You know I've stood a lot."

SPRING SONG



Jasper Nicodemus Wagenseller, after a year of easy living in comfort and laziness, suddenly disappeared and failed to return. Strong suspicion is entertained that Jasper eloped with Molly, a neighborhood feline. Although he was only a cat he was an exceptionally pretty animal and was a brother of Evelyn Telling's cat, which likewise disappeared some time ago—seems to run in the family.

CONVENTIONS

Frank H. Mueller and Bill Groble went to Washington, D. C. during April to attend a meeting of Gas Distributing Engineers. This gathering called together some of the big men in the gas business. Many technical questions were discussed and our representatives found it an extremely interesting and profitable gathering.

The American Foundrymen's Association held their annual convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, May 3-7. Attending from this company were L. W. Mueller, C. F. Roarick, George Krag, Robt. Lusk, W. E. Behrens, and Earl Gustin.

So you're a salesman are you? What do you sell?

Salt.

I'm a salt seller, too.

Shake!

Foreman—"Well Pat, I'm sorry to see you leave the works. Aren't the wages satisfactory?"

Pat—"The wages are all right, but I keep having a guilty feeling all the time."

Foreman—"About what?"

Pat—"I'm all the time thinkin' I'm doin' a horse out of a job."

Goliath—"Why don't you stand up here and fight me?"

David—"Don't hurry me, big boy; wait till I get a little boulder."

MEET MISS DASH



Elsie Arlene, 8 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dash. And does Herman think she is something to crow about. The reader will agree with him that he has. The mother was formerly Miss Elsie Roarick and was a member of the core room force.

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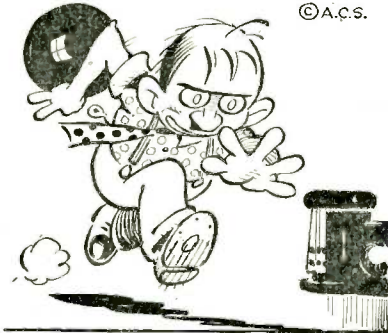
For Good Eats try out the Mueller Cafeteria.

THREE TEAMS TIED

Hot Race on In Wind Up of Bowling Season

Hot Doggety Dog!—Some bowling contest. Gustin and others traveled miles to bowl in the National Contest, overlooking a great opportunity to distinguish themselves in the Mueller League.

The last record issued Wednesday, April 28, shows three teams tied for first place and only



six games left to play. It's any one of the three team's pennant, but the wisecracs are not able to predict definitely which team that will be. Some of them say Plumbing No. 2—but that's a guess. A. Flaughter, according to the league statistician will wind up as the champeen bowler of the season.

Team Standing

Name—	G	W	L	Pct	Ave
1—Utility Engineers	99	56	43	.566	824
2—Specialty Division	99	56	43	.566	818
3—Plumbing No. 2	99	56	43	.566	738
4—Machine Shop	99	51	48	.515	796
5—Office	99	48	51	.485	804
6—Plumbing No. 1	99	46	53	.465	733
7—Tool Room	99	42	57	.424	784
8—Plant No. 2	99	41	58	.414	698

Ten High Bowlers

	G.	Av.	H.G.
1—A. Flaughter, Machine Shop	99	188	268
2—K. Blankenburg, Spec. Div.	99	182	231
3—C. C. Roarick, Tool Room	87	181	251
4—E. Blankenburg, Util. Eng.	92	180	255
5—W. Behrns, Util. Eng.	90	178	245
6—C. Dodwell, Office	99	177	236
7—C. Hill, Specialty Div.	99	173	264
8—C. Cochran, Office	80	168	236
9—H. Stratman, Spec. Div.	90	167	235
10—A. Olsen, Machine Shop	93	165	244

Individual Averages

Utility Engineers	Office
E. Blankenburg . . .180	C. Dodwell . . .177
W. Behrns . . .178	C. Cochran . . .168
B. Mason . . .164	A. Werdes . . .164
M. Curry . . .157	L. Wiant . . .163
C. Charnetzki . . .156	H. Gragg . . .152
F. Trartzik . . .148	O. Draper . . .139
Specialty Division	Plumbing No. 1

K. Blankenburg . . .182	L. Adams . . .155
C. Hill . . .173	C. Constant . . .152
H. Stratman . . .167	H. Thompson . . .150
A. Grossman . . .163	L. Kramer . . .148
W. Frantz . . .138	E. Krumsiek . . .139
	C. Kelley . . .128

Plumbing No. 2

M. Riewski . . .161	C. C. Roarick . . .181
C. Curry . . .155	G. Krag . . .169
J. Morrison . . .154	M. Chaney . . .162
G. Hickman . . .139	J. Taylor . . .156
R. Caudle . . .135	C. Rubican . . .148
H. Maddox . . .134	A. Raushek . . .134

Machine Shop

A. Flaughter . . .188	R. Roarick . . .156
A. Olsen . . .165	A. Jendry . . .152
H. Leipski . . .164	E. Merrow . . .140
E. Hartwig . . .161	M. Foster . . .132
M. Brilley . . .145	R. Tertocha . . .128
G. Hutchens . . .144	
W. Mueller . . .132	

Tool Room

Plant No. 2

PRIZE WINNING SUGGESTION

The Editor of the Record suggests that Walter Bowan of Frank Mueller's office file a petition in the county court to have his name changed or to issue a mandate that it be spelled correctly on penalty of being shot at sunrise by those who cannot remember his name is "Bowan" and not "Bowman." Some evil spirit always prompts the Editor to use the later spelling.

Readers get this straight—his name is not Bowman—or even Beau-man—it's Bowan—and that's that.

BELIEVE IN SIGNS

The president of the firm bought a number of those "Do It Now!" signs and hung them in his offices. In a few days he found out that the cashier had fled with \$50,000; the bookkeeper had eloped with his private secretary; three clerks had asked for a salary raise; and the office boy had gone to Hollywood to get in the movies. —The Trojan.

THINK THESE OVER

Wisdom is knowing what to do; skill is knowing how to do it; virtue is doing it well.

Charles Dickens, the great novelist said: "There is nothing so strong or safe in an emergency of life as the simple truth."

It is selfishness that skims all the cream from the milk of human kindness.

How few think truly; of the thinking few, how many never think, who think they do.

No man is too big to be courteous, but many men are too little.

Life worth while is that in which ambition still lives determined to repair past mistakes.

Business like a wheelbarrow stands still unless some one pushes it.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

Roy Whitacre got reminiscent the other day. He told about an electrician by the name of Fisher who used to work here. It appears that Fisher was making repairs just under the roof in the Foundry which at that point was high. Fisher lost his hold and fell, came squarely down on the head of a man who was walking beneath. Fisher was unhurt, but the victim's neck was broken and he died instantly. Roy saw this happen.

Fell Through Skylight

This tragedy brought to mind another incident that he witnessed. Someone went out on the roof of the foundry building. He stepped on the skylight which gave way with him and he fell into a pile of soft sand, between two men who were only a few feet apart. No one was injured. Since then, an iron grating has been put over this skylight.

That same afternoon the man who fell through the skylight was making some repairs on the spill-trough. It seems he was bearing down with considerable weight on the electric drill when the trough turned. Down came the drill on his foot and it actually drilled a hole through his big toe, through the sole of his shoe, and was only stopped when it caught in the concrete floor beneath.

The Big Fish

This reminded Roy Woods of the time that Bill Wall was telling John Haines how the big fish got away that he caught the Saturday before. Bill had a long-handled iron hook that he used to pull tote boxes around, and just as he swung around to show how he handled the fishing pole, John Haines stepped behind him and got the full force of the blow on his cheek bone just below the eye. The bone was cracked and John was laid up for several days.

Corporation Stop Missed Him

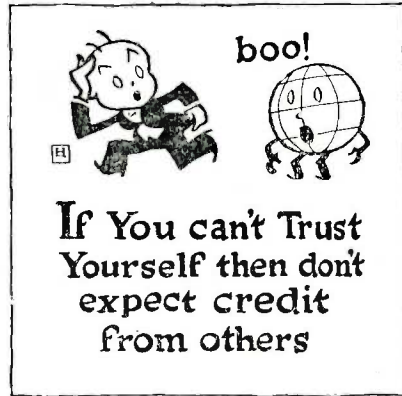
Robert H. Mueller told us of a man named Doty who ran a machine in the old assembly department on the second floor. Over his head was a main drive wheel for a line shaft. As he was working at a bench under this wheel a truck load of tote boxes came along. A corporation stop was shaken off from the top box, was caught in the belt, carried against the wheel, and thrown with such violence against the wall near Doty's head that it flattened out and was broken to bits. Doty was not hurt but he was so scared that he had to go home for the rest of the day. Whenever a truck came by that way Doty moved down the aisle.

Customer (phoning): "Please send six dozen eggs; if good, I will send check."

Grocer: "Send check; if good, I will send six dozen eggs."

"And how are you getting on, Mrs. Mumble?"

"Not so well, Mrs. Grumble. My poor husband has had a parallel stroke and we are having a time making ends meet."



How to Get the Most for Your Money

There has been some confusion and misunderstanding about the prices charged at the cafeteria.

A full dinner for which you are charged 25 cents, consists of the following:

- Meat
- One Vegetable and
- One salad (or two vegetables)
- Dessert
- Bread and butter
- Drink

You are actually getting 33 cents worth of food for 25 cents. Taken separately the prices are as follows:

- Meat—10c
- Vegetables, salads, desserts—5c.
- Bread and butter—3c.
- Drink—5c

Should you decide not to take one five cent article, such as dessert or salad, or the vegetable, you are still getting 28 cents worth of food, but are charged only 25 cents.

Should you leave off two five cent items, you are charged 23 cents, the actual cost of each item figured individually. This seems to be what confuses quite a few people. They do not figure each item at its separate cost, but rather deduct the cost of the dish not taken from the regular price of the full dinner, 25 cents.

On the soup and sandwich line you are charged actually for what you get.

It is more economical to take the entire dinner for 25 cents, as you will see by the above, but this must be taken at one time. You cannot go through the line once and leave off one cent item and then go through the line the second time and expect to get it for nothing. You will be charged five cents for what you get on the second trip.

There has been a good increase in patronage during the past few months. We should like to see it 100 per cent. If you have never eaten in the cafeteria try it some time—for one week—you'll be convinced of its excellence.

Movie Actress—I want a real, dignified church wedding when we get married and no silly clogement.

Movie Actor—Oh, come now, darling. Where's your sense of Yuma?

4th line this paragraph should read "the line once and leave off a 5 cent item and then go"

JOHNNY ON THE SPOT

Members of Troop 2, Boy Scouts in a meeting with Scoutmaster Donald Boggs. The Scouts have been working on air plane models and that was the subject under discussion at this meeting.



Rain or shine Troop No 2 is "Johnny on the Spot" for an all night hike to the out of doors. April 4 was one of those days when we all wondered whether it would shine or pour down, but with grub in the haversack, hiking clothes on, and a happy scout disposition, we set out for Camp Robert Fairies. Hike? Nay, nay—it was a bit muddy, so we rode and walked. Now a good scout gets dry wood out of a wet woods—it's all a trick. This with kite flying and jaunts into the woods comprised an afternoon's program.

Night came after a swell semi-burnt or raw (depending upon the cook) supper, and we gathered around the camp stove for round table games and stories.

With the Indians all biting the dust around that camp fire, and the day's program done, we dug in the covers for a night's rest, where it is best—near to the out of doors.

With dawn-breakfast, and it was a hungry mob, too, and then into the woods again. Indians there? Yes, but not the old time brand, but a bunch of regular growing fellows out to expand, learn and grow—the Scouts of Troop No. 2.

So goes an over night hike.

Stage Hand (to manager, sotto voce): "Shall I lower the curtain?"

Manager: "Why?"

Stage Hand: "One of the livin' statues has the hiccups."

Clerk (to a suspicious looking couple in the hotel lobby): "I don't believe you people are married at all."

Lady: "Sir! If my husband were only here he would make you swallow those words."—*Out.*

Blythe, Cal.—Mrs. Anastocio Rodriguera, 24, gave birth to her fourteenth child this week.

—*N. Y. American, on Thursday.* And she still has Friday and Saturday to go!—*Fetter Clippings.*

George Warnick, of the Foundry Cleaning Department, has been confined to his home in Macon for the past three weeks with scarlet fever.

SARNIA

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affections, which probably weren't worth more than \$2.45 in the first place.

Gushing Lady: Oh, Mr. Parker, we are collecting funds to help the starving Chinese. May I put your name on the succor list?

Today is all you have. Tomorrow is a promissory note; yesterday is a canceled check.

The Convention of the Canadian Section of The American Waterworks Association was held at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, P. Q., on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the 14th, 15th and 16th insts.

Mueller Limited was represented with a display of service fittings on panels; drilling and tapping machines, sleeves and valves, etc.

Although the attendance did not constitute a record, it compared favorably with other Conventions.

The company was represented by R. McIntyre and W. Twaits.

BEVERLY ANN BOGGS



This pretty little miss is Beverly Ann Boggs, three and a half year old daughter of Donald Boggs of the cost department.