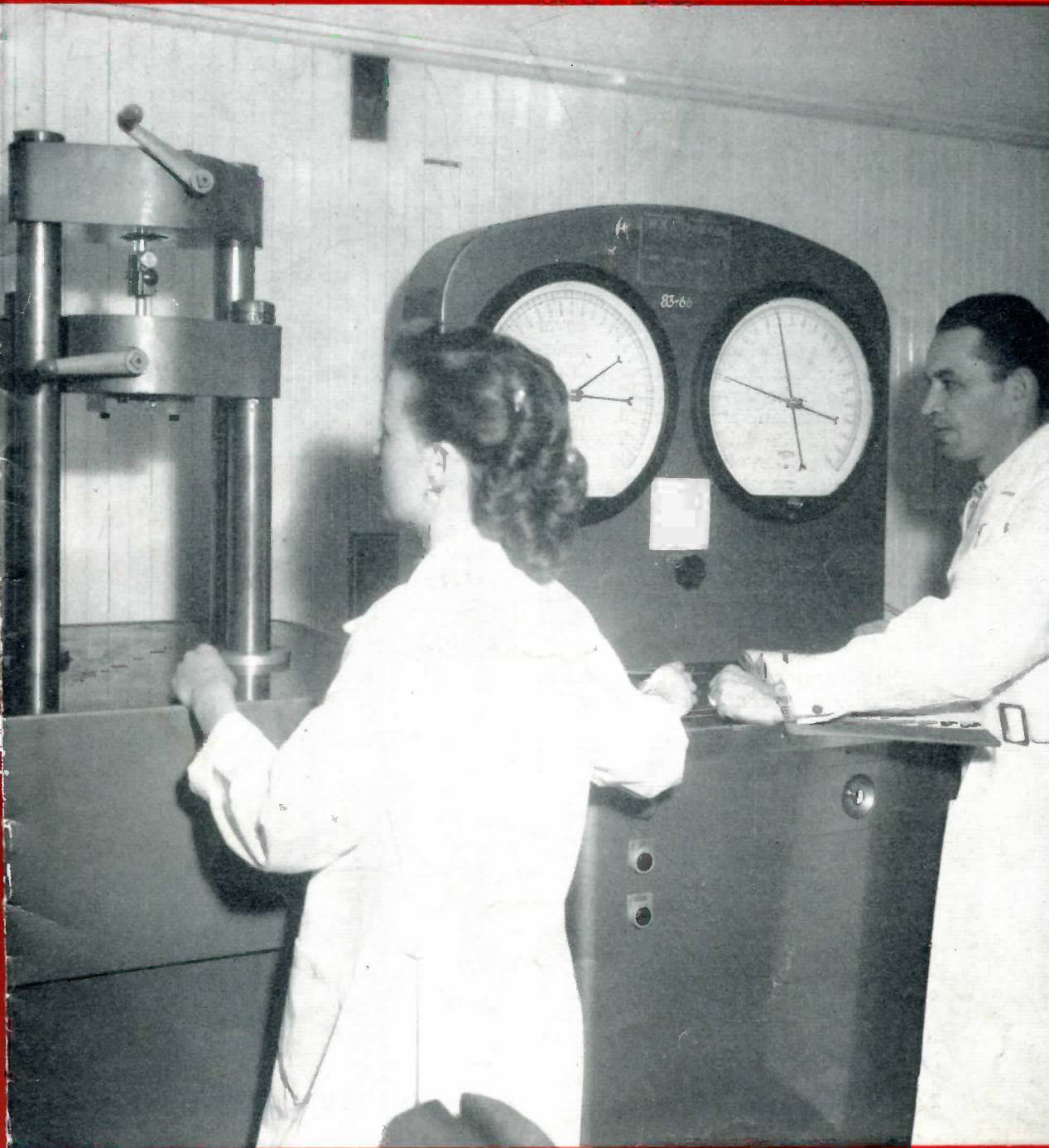



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Cover Picture: Pictured on the cover are two people who are mighty important to our Los Angeles factory. They are, left to right, Joyce McKinnen, laboratory technician, and Cyril J. Wolfe, Jr., head of the laboratory. They are seen running a test on a hydraulic testing machine. This instrument will read on the dials the breaking point, tensile strength, and elongation of the metal samples brought in daily from the factory. In addition to the instrument shown, there are numerous others—all designed to test some important phase of our work.

The laboratory can rightly be called the nerve center of the Los Angeles plant. It is here that the elaborate system of technical control originates. Every step of the manufacturing procedures may be checked. Many of them, such as the molding sand, core sand, metal formula, and others are checked daily. We were shown some graph forms on which some of these daily records had been made. One could see at a glance that every step of the manufacturing processes was kept at a very high level. There could be but one result of such careful laboratory control. The quality of the goods made is always up to the traditionally high plane for which Mueller products have long been famous.

There is one reason that all this is possible. That reason is Cyril Wolfe, who has charge of all laboratory control. When we talked with Cy, we were impressed with his vast and very complete knowledge of the many processes that affect our business. Not satisfied to stay in a rut, this ambitious young man made special studies in the field of metallurgy. Today he is a member of the American Society of Metals. He is also a member of the Los Angeles Society of Metallurgists.

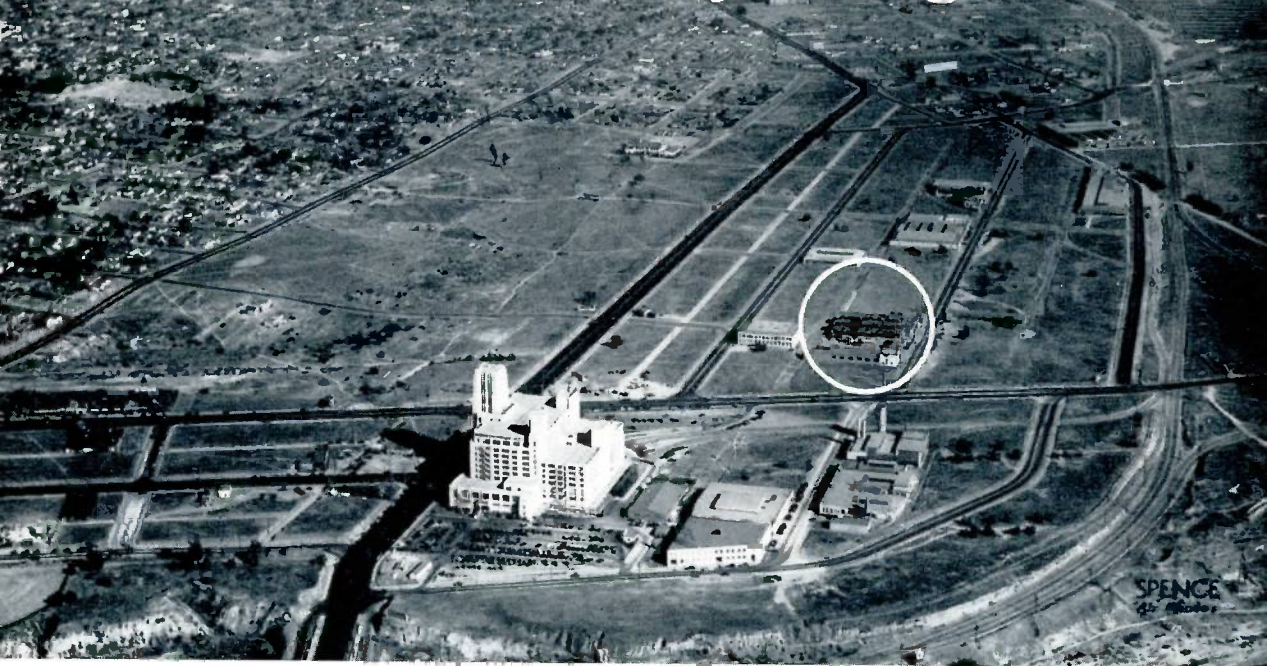
Cy never argues over anything. If he is right about some point in question, he can produce test charts that prove his position. If he is wrong, he will be the first to admit it. For this reason, he has won the confidence of all the men with whom he must deal. It is this very fact that has made possible the successful carrying out of the strict laboratory control as set up in the West Coast factory.

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HAP HAZARD



West Coast Factory has grown



Aerial view of Los Angeles Factory taken October 2, 1933.

Progress Made In 18 Years Of Operation

TIME HAS A WAY of changing things, and recently we came across two aerial photographs which reveal the changes that have occurred around our Pacific Coast plant. These pictures were taken by the Spence Air Photos. The first one was taken October 2, 1933, and the second was made September 28, 1949. We have shown these pictures here, and one may see for himself the rapid growth of the city of Los Angeles.

In the earlier view one can see our factory clearly as it stands all alone in a large area of open territory. There were only three other buildings on East Twelfth street. This site was known as the Hostetter tract which is just three miles from Seventh and Broadway in downtown Los Angeles. The work on the buildings was commenced in August 1933. In November of that year there appeared in the Mueller Record an official notice over the signature of Mr.

Adolph Mueller, son of our founder and president at that time. This announced to the trade that the new plant was open for business.

The original purpose in building a plant in the West was to eliminate the delays to customers. We already had warehouses in both Los Angeles and San Francisco. Oftentimes orders would come in for a particular item not in stock, or for quantities of something in excess of the stock on hand. These had to be re-ordered from the Decatur factory and the resulting delays were something that could scarcely be helped. By opening a factory in California it would be possible to give much better service, particularly in emergencies, to the fast growing communities to which people were migrating in large numbers.

It was on December 4, 1933, that the wheels first began to turn, and Mueller Brass Goods came off the assembly line.



Marshall
Cook,
inspector.

One is amused now when he reads these words in the March 1934 issue of the Mueller Record:

"In selecting a site for this new plant, future expansion was a deciding factor. The factory faces south on 12th street, and is a one-story building with approximately 40,000 square feet of floor space.

The lot on which it stands has a frontage of 300 feet. The building is of the latest earthquake construction with direct sun light in every corner of the plant."

A look at the second picture will show how completely the plant is surrounded by buildings. There is no room for expansion. As Mr. Reedy, who is in charge of the factory, put it, "The only place we can grow now is up. There is a small area available which we now use for a parking space. We need that for the employees' cars."

When the building was first completed, six Decatur men were sent to Los Angeles to operate the new factory. They were: W. N. Dill, General Manager; Emmett M. Reedy, Factory Manager; Gerald Preshaw, Cost Accountant; Louis Wyant, Foreman, Machine Shop; Roy Baker, Foreman, Polishing and Plating; Roy Thomas, Foreman, Foundry.

Aerial view of same location taken on September 28, 1949.



The plant produced the same items as were made in the Decatur factory. As the organization developed and orders began to flow in, other employees were added. Some were from Decatur, most of them were secured locally.

Within two years the plant outgrew its quarters and another addition almost as large as the original building was added in 1936. Today there is hardly enough space to operate, yet it is a very efficient place. Every spare spot is effectively used. Stock is kept in an orderly fashion. Aisles are always clear. Floors are clean and free from litter. A nice cafeteria furnishes excellent food. The office is pressed for space, too, but everything is well managed there.

As the business has grown, men have grown with it. Today Mr. Reedy is Vice-President in charge of Los Angeles Plant. J. L. Logsdon, formerly a West Coast salesman for us, succeeded Mr. Dill when he retired. He is now Vice-President in charge of Western Sales. P. G. Caho, formerly of Decatur, is in charge of the Accounting Department. Ray Dawkins is the Purchasing Agent.

There are a lot of fine people in the West Coast plant. We were impressed with the fact that they had a lot of that fine Mueller spirit—the pride of craftsmanship and quality work that characterized our founder, Hieronymus Mueller. One example will show what we mean. The foreman of the Inspection Department brought in several pieces that had been rejected by the girls who do the inspection. He said that some of the pieces were being cast aside because of a fine mark on a machined surface. This mark had probably been made by a chattering of the tool. We examined the pieces carefully and could see nothing with the eyes alone. Then we tried looking at them through a magnifying glass. We had considerable difficulty even then in finding this mark. And yet, these girls said that they could readily detect the mark with their fingernails!

It is conscientious work such as this that keeps Mueller products at our traditionally high standards. And for it, we salute the Muellerites of California. They are a grand team, and one of our big, happy, Mueller family.



Top:
Milton
Brandelino,
inspector.



At right:
Vicki
Montoya,
plating
department.



At right:
Fred
Tercero,
machine
operator.



Below:
Velma
Pruitt,
visual
inspection.



John Hesselbach points out fine record to Beth Laster while Charles Portee looks pleased at the showing made the first year.

West Coast Credit Union Shows Healthy Growth In First Year

THE NEWEST BABY in the Mueller Credit Union family is showing a lusty growth. Founded December 1, 1950, this progressive group is becoming a valuable part of the employees' financial program.

Officially known as the Mueller Co. Los Angeles Employees Federal Credit Union, it has come a long way in the eleven months since it was founded. It began with a modest number of members, and has already grown 37 per cent in membership alone. At the end of September (the first ten months of operation) assets had grown to a total of \$15,852.95. The amount of money loaned had reached unbelievable proportions—\$126,099.25.

The success of the Credit Union has been due in no small part to the efficient, capable direction of the affairs of the organization by the officers. These are: President, Charles Portee; Vice-

President, William Young; Secretary-Treasurer, Beth Laster; Directors, Gunnard Nelson and John Hesselbach.

Behind them are the enthusiastic members who daily tell their co-workers about the benefits of a Credit Union. About how convenient a place it is for saving money, and what a good place it is for borrowing needed funds for the emergencies of life which we all face.

No one will know until the end of the year how big a dividend will be declared this first year. It all depends upon how much in reserves have been built up, and how much has been made from the loans. But each year it should grow a little more until a safe maximum has been reached.

So far, our Los Angeles Credit Union seems to have done all right. Our congratulations go to this fine group for such an excellent record for the first year of operation on the west coast.

FIREMAN-FARMER WINS HONORS

THERE IS AN OLD English saying that runs something like this:

"A leap year
Is never a sheep year."

There must be something to this little jingle, for 1951 is not a leap year and it certainly has been a sheep year for one Homer Trusner, fireman on the second shift at Plant 1.

This summer the big thing in the Trusner family was sheep. Homer specializes in the Cotswold breed. This particular sheep usually produces a good, heavy fleece, and the animal is a heavy one which means plenty of meat when butchered. But the father and son team have more in mind than just wool or meat. They have decided that while raising sheep they might just as well have the best sheep—prize winners!

And so, with that in mind, Homer has kept registered stock and has been a

consistent winner at the fairs! Four years ago he carried away 50 ribbons. This year he broke all records and took 116 ribbons. They are all in the picture we show here. We helped the photographer arrange them, and it took us an hour to get them all laid out properly.

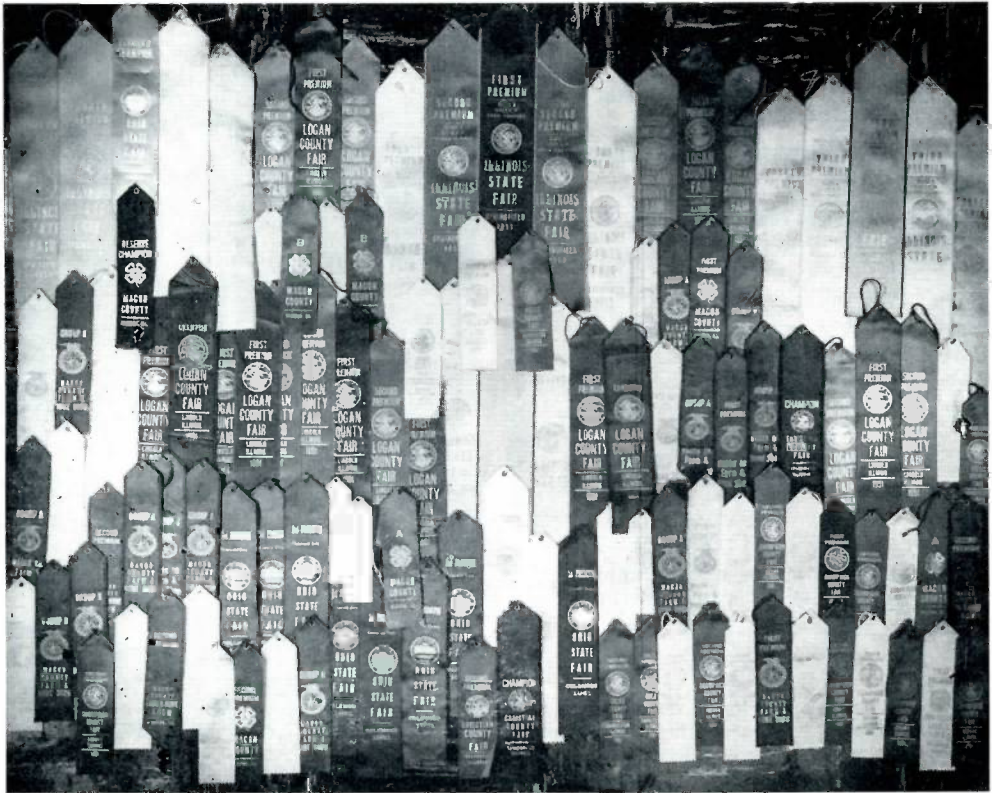
There is quite an array of prize ribbons represented. Four Grand Champion, two Reserve Champion, 25 First Place, 40 Second Place, 24 Third Place, 15 Fourth Place, four Fifth Place, and two Seventh Place.

The sheep were exhibited in four county fairs: Christian, Coles, Champaign, and Macon. Also in the Illinois State Fair and the Ohio State Fair.

We have heard of city farmers—those ambitious souls who live and work in the city and then spend their spare time supervising work on a farm. For Homer

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Here are all the ribbons Homer Trusner won this summer.



Decatur



Bud Ellis is surprised and pleased when Pete Workman (left) presents him with a lamp, a wedding gift from the Foundry boys.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Ida McCrary and Edward "Bud" Ellis were united in marriage at the Grace Methodist Church on Friday afternoon, October 12, 1951. Bud works in our Foundry at Plant 1. Our congratulations go to the happy newlyweds.



WALTON-TISH NUPTIALS

Dan Cupid resorts to some unusual methods to get in his bow and arrow work. We suspect that he has been traveling back and forth between the Core Room and the Foundry, riding on the underground core conveyor. At least two of his arrows hit the mark for on Sunday, September 30, Mrs. Fedora Walton and Shirl Tish were married at the home of his son, Harold. Both the bride and groom have been with the Mueller Co. for a long time. Fedora is a core maker, and Shirl is a foreman in the Foundry at Plant 1. We wish them both years of happiness.



BIRTHS

The biggest smile in Plant 2 is being worn by Cal McQuality, foreman in the Iron Foundry. For on October 18

there was born to his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McQuality, a baby girl named Betty Jane. The stork left the baby at the Decatur and Macon County Hospital, and Cal lost no time in getting out there to see the little girl.



L. W. MUELLER HONORED

Mr. Lucien W. Mueller, Chairman of the Board of the Mueller Co., was elected for his first term as a Director of the Illinois State Chamber of Commerce on October 18 in Chicago. His term will be for two years. He also was elected recently to the Board of Directors of the Decatur and Macon County Hospital for a two-year term. Mr. Mueller has always been a civic-minded individual and we are proud that these two organizations have called upon him to give of his talents to the direction of their affairs.



Shirl Tish and Fedora Walton pose for a formal wedding portrait.



Here we see Pete Workman presenting to Fedora and Shirl Tish a ceramic flower piece and a coffee table as the Foundrymen look on.

TRATZIKS GO EAST ON VACATION

Fred Tratzik of the Engineering Department reported that he took an interesting trip to the East the latter part of October. His wife, Marie, (formerly a nurse in Plant 1), and a niece, Charlotte Otilie of Mattoon, accompanied him. Their route led through Ft. Wayne, Youngstown, Buffalo, Rochester, Albany, New York City, Philadelphia, Washington, and back home—part of it over the Pennsylvania turnpike. The trip covered 2500 miles.

While in Buffalo they visited Niagara Falls. As an interesting sidelight while there, they rode in a horse-drawn conveyance to visit one of the points of interest. The name of the horse was Patricia. The driver evidently was quite at home, for he maneuvered Patricia in and out of the stream of auto traffic with considerable skill. The horse apparently did not mind the cars whizzing by her.

Fred has been carrying on a little project on these trips. When he reaches the larger cities, the national capitol, or other interesting spots, he makes a photographic record on 35MM film or slides. He tries to get the important historical and educational points of interest. This he does, partly for his own edification and partly to enable him to make illustrated talks later on when asked to describe one of his trips.

Unfortunately for us, all his pictures this year were made on color film, and

he had no photographs which we could print in the Record.

Fireman Wins Ribbons

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it is the other way round. He is a farmer who takes eight hours out of a busy farm life to work in town on a regular job. Homer was brought up on a farm and loves farm life. And he has a son, Robert Joe, who likes it too, and who can handle a tractor as well as any man.

We asked how he managed to find time to run a farm, work, and get around to the fairs, too. He admitted that it took a bit of planning. He and his son would take the sheep to the fair one week-end and bring them back the next. The son would stay during the week to look after the animals. By combining vacation periods and week-ends they were able to get as far away as the Ohio State Fair. The amazing part of this story is that Mr. Trusner never lost one hour from his work during the period of showing his sheep.

We knew that 116 ribbons would be a pretty good reward for all this work. And it surely is. But along with the ribbons went a little monetary gain—cash awards totaling \$625. We were just thinking that maybe we should go in for sheep raising. But then next year is leap year and won't be a sheep year. We will be watching how Homer makes out next year with his sheep.

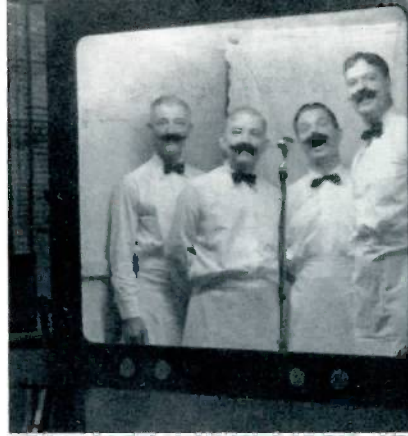


4-X Club Show

At the October meeting of the 4-X Club, the Product Engineering Division was the host department. These boys came up with some fine entertainment in the form of a television (?) show.

At the top of this column is Walter Bowan with more hair than he usually wears and a black brush above his mouth. At the bottom of this column is Cecil Coffin, cowboy singing star.

Top picture on the right shows the huge television set with four-foot screen. Seen here is the 4-X Four. Left to right, they are: first tenor, Elmer Miller; second tenor, Walter Bowan; baritone, Wayne Heyer; and bass, F. C. Hackman. Second picture is that of the operatic singer, Madame Dona Fairee, alias Don Ferry. Third view shows Mrs. Don Ferry putting makeup on F. C. Hackman before the program started. Bottom scene shows our Hillbilly Band. They are, left to right: Fiddle player, Robert Rhodes; guitar, John J. Smith; and banjo, Wallace Gould. All photos were taken by Walter Bowan, Engineering Dept.



Chattanooga

Marcella Lykins, Correspondent

It is good to have three of our own boys who left us in the fall of 1950 to answer the call of "Uncle Sam" back again—Noble May and I. D. Morgan of the Foundry and Harold Prescott of the Machine Shop. I was looking through some of the old 1944 issues of the "Record" and there were many interesting reports from the men who were in the Armed Services at that time. We certainly would like to hear from our boys who are in the Service now and to pass the news along in the "Record".

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We wish to welcome John T. Harwell, our new clerk in the Core Room.

Robinette Kelsey, who has been with us in the Sales department for several months, left to be married and will reside in Knoxville after her marriage. We are very glad to have Beatrice Vaughn to replace her.

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Stanley Kuhne of the Time Study department, Leslie Higdon of the Machine Shop, and Edgar Bryant of the Foundry are attending a series of lectures presented by the Chattanooga Industrial Trainers' Council and the Chattanooga Safety Council. Judging from the comments I have heard these must be very interesting sessions.

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Marguerite Barker of the Cost department flew to Boston, Massachusetts, recently to visit her son who is stationed with the Army near Boston.

Mr. Joe Wall is vacationing somewhere in Florida at the present time and we hope he is enjoying some good fishing.

Arch Guth, one of our retired employees, has been quite ill and hospitalized for a while, but is better and at home again. For a long time, we hope.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the following fathers who have new daughters:

Mitchell Robinson of the Cleaning Room—Jacqueline.

Robert Chaney of the Cleaning Room—Elaine.

Larry Watson of the Core Room—Dianne.

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DEATHS

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to:

Hollis Marsh of the Brass Foundry in the death of his grandfather.

Will Moore of the Shipping department in the death of his father.

It makes us very sad to think of the friends we have lost from our plant recently:

Dexter Haney, of the Machine Shop, died September 6, 1951, after several weeks' illness. Mr. Haney was employed April 8, 1937, and had been a faithful employee, well liked by all who knew him.

Luther Sparks died October 13, 1951, after a short illness. Luther was employed January 24, 1940. He entered military service in 1943. He has served faithfully in the Core Room since his return from the service in 1945.

Samuel Brown of the Assembly department was accidentally killed October 5, 1951. Samuel and his twin brother were employed June 10, 1949. Sam Ed has since entered military service. Samuel worked in the Foundry for a short while and was transferred to the Assembly department where he worked until the time of his death.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the families of these men.

Los Angeles

William Baker, Correspondent



Sports Notes

Of the two bowling teams sponsored by Mueller Co., in a local handicap league, the Pattie Cakes are faring best at this time. They are in third place while the Alley Cats are eighth, in a twelve-team league. We have an on-the-scene shot of the Alley Cats, reading from the left: Jean Katherman, Doc Oglesby, Al Camarena, Frank Mecado and Gene Warren. The Pattie Cakes are composed of Pat Anderson, Gene Simpson, Bob Laviguer, Charlie Portee, and Chuck Musecci. We must apologize to the latter team for the lack of a photo. It was taken, but for some reason, did not come out.



The Mueller Flag Football Team. Taken at one of the games.

Football

Pictured here we have a group that makes up the Mueller Co. football team. From the left, back row: Don MacIntyre, Bill Henderson, Don Casler, Bryan Thomas, Don DeDoncker, Ben Price, Frank Mecado, Bill Baker. From the left, bottom row: Harry Hawthorne, Lloyd Sutton, Tony Flaco, Doug Sherrill, and Eli Lockard. Not shown are Rudy Gordines and Larry Raffaelli who arrived after the shot was made.

The team is entered in the Alhambra Flag Football league and at the present writing has a standing of one win and one loss.

In the action photo, we see Don MacIntyre at half, Bryan Thomas handling the ball at quarter, Harry Hawthorne (foreground) about to block out the opposing end and Eli Lockard (center background).

By way of explanation, flag football is much like any other brand of football with the exception of tackling. This maneuver is replaced by pulling out one of the "flags" attached to both hips of

a player, thus stopping the play. Sounds easy, but try it, it's rough enough. Oh yes—one rule that is strictly enforced, forbids any player to enter the game armed with a pistol.

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RECORD EDITOR VISITS L. A.

We were favored, recently, by a visit from our Mueller Record Editor, Mr. Herman E. Jackson. Mr. Jackson came in to gather material for a story and get acquainted with our Los Angeles plant personnel. While here, he had occasion to see a bit of Hollywood and the blue Pacific, and, of course, make many new friends.

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Pfc. Frank Petterson stopped by recently to renew old acquaintances. Frank was formerly a ground key assembler, but at present is employed by the U. S. Army in the Ordinance Dept. He is now stationed in Washington but expects to ship out soon. He can be assured of our best wishes when that time comes.

We were all glad to see "Red" Nelson, of Department 80, return after his siege of illness.



A difficult-to-get action shot taken at night during game.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO—

November

Best wishes are in order for the following: Bill Adams, Jerome Alt, Dolores Thomson, Bramlette Johnson, Bruce Anderson, Guy Taylor, Frank Petterson, Raymond Santos, Evelyn Miller, John Royer, John Hesselbach, Myrtle Baber, Edith Harrop, Ralph Kittleson, Virginia Hope, Joseph Montoya, James Nelson, Andy Toomey, Vernon Gage, Helen Hale, Bernard Perez.

December

Henry Payan, Lillian Alfano, Ida Lou Hughes, Frank Mecado, Bill Dixon, Otis Abadie, Lacy Mayfield, Bill English, Walter Arnett, Bob Hamlin, Jean Pavillard, Carolie Payette, Albert Perez, Herman Oliver, Wallace Calhoun, Gladys Frederick, Jane Mays, Paul Freund, Geo. Aztor, Richard Borden.

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FOREMEN TAKE TRAINING

Away back in 1936 the winner of our annual slogan contest came up with this one: "Use Your Head To Get Ahead".

That idea was good in 1936 and it is still good today. However, it must have had special meaning for the foremen and supervisors in the Los Angeles factory. These people have taken the slogan seriously.

Upon our recent visit to this plant we were greatly impressed with the fine records that have been made there. No small part of the credit for this is due to the fact that fully 75 per cent of their foremen and supervisors are taking or have taken extension courses in the evening classes of the University of California of Los Angeles. Subjects studied cover time and motion study, foundry practice, accounting, production control, and many others.

These men have been willing to make the necessary sacrifice to get this additional training, and it has helped them immeasurably. They have realized that it is the trained person who gets ahead and who is picked for promotion. They have remembered what Benjamin Franklin once said: "What you pour into your head no one can take away from you."

Sarnia, Ontario

Almeda Reeve, Correspondent

Joe Rosina, Department 2, had the honour of being one of the party chosen to fire the 21-gun Royal Salute on the arrival of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Phillip at Windsor, on October 15.

John Bazeley, clerk in Shipping and Receiving department, has been chosen as the Cubmaster for a new Cub group being formed at St. Andrew Memorial Church. Our congratulations and best wishes go to John in his new undertaking in this very worthwhile work.

We welcome Amy Cooper, Accounts Receivable department, back to her desk following a three-month leave of absence, most of which was spent in Arizona.

Margaret Connors, Payroll department, is spending a short sojourn in Tampa, Florida. Marg reports she is getting a lot of sunshine and hot weather. We hope she feels greatly improved in health.

Bruce Robertson, Foundry Clerk, has been on the sick list for the last week, having been confined to St. Joseph's Hospital following an appendectomy. We hope he will soon be able to return to work.

We are glad to see George Hayward back on the job, having been on the sick list for the past month.

Joyce Bidner, Purchasing department, plans to spend the last two weeks in October, touring Florida. We hope you have a nice holiday Joyce.

Phyllis Walpole, Sales department, left our employ on October 12, having been accepted for service in the Royal Canadian Airforce (W.D.) Prior to her departure her associates presented her with a leather writing case and all joined in wishing her every success in her new position. Phyllis reported for service at St. John's, P.Q., on October 15th.

Minerva Johnson, Sales department, set the office agog when she appeared on Monday morning wearing a beautiful sparkler. Congratulations, Minerva.



TWO MUELLERITES RETIRE

On September 30 of this year two of our faithful workers retired. They were fine employees and we were sorry to see them leave.

One of them was James W. Mitchell who had been working as a compression tester. Mr. Mitchell was born in Detroit, Michigan, on September 11, 1886. He chose to be a machinist for his life work. In 1919, when but a young man of 33, he decided to come to Canada.

He went to work for Mueller, Ltd., on August 8, 1940. He took a great interest in his job, and thought up quite a number of new ideas which helped him do a better testing job for the company.



James W. Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell has one daughter who is still at home with the family. She teaches school in Sarnia. For his hobbies, he likes baseball very much, and he likes to read. When we asked him how he planned to spend his years of retirement, he stated that he was going to take a good, long rest. And when a man who has worked hard all his life reaches 65, we can't think of a thing that would be nicer to do.

The other worker to retire was Thomas Muxlow. He was born just four days later than Mr. Mitchell, the date being September 15, 1886. The place of his birth was Kerwood, Ontario.

He had been previously engaged in the business of general carpenter in and



Thomas Muxlow

around Oil Springs and Petrolia, Ontario. He was first employed by Mueller, Ltd., on September 8, 1942.

He has twelve children, eight of whom are living. At present he is staying with one of his daughters in London, Ontario. He has been on an extended sick leave as he has been under a doctor's care for some time.

Mr. Muxlow said that he had no particular hobbies. He did say that he is very fond of animals and is especially fond of dogs. Our guess is that the dogs are fond of him, too.



New Muellerites

To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walsh, on September 25th, a son, James MacDonald. Clarence is employed in Department 8.

On October 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Willis J. (Dick) Dennis, a daughter, Lynne Diane. Dick is employed in Department 7.

On October 7th to Mr. and Mrs. Orval McClemens, a son, Richard. Orval is employed in Department 10.



Marriages

Our congratulations and good wishes go to Ralph Harrett (Department 15) and Miss Dorothy Fournie who were married at the bride's home on September 1, 1951.



DEATHS

Our sincere sympathy is extended to: Mr. Sam Johnston, foreman of the Foundry division, in the recent passing of his sister in Ireland.

Mrs. Doris McLaughlin (Office) in the sudden passing of her brother, Alfred Kemp, who died on Wednesday, September 19th.

on **You** it looks good



Search your heart and your conscience on how you have been doing for your Uncle Sam lately. It won't take a minute to know if his hat is your size or not.

175 years ago our forefathers created what might be called "a design for freedom and better living."

They did it with the Declaration of Independence—nothing like it in the history of the world.

You and I and all of us are enjoying the fruits of this system. But are we watching others laying the brick or are we in there passing up more mortar?

Our kind of freedom, challenged often since 1776—and preserved each time—is now facing into its toughest hour.

This time there is a bigger enemy to freedom without, but a vaster indifference to freedom within.

How do you know when you're indifferent to freedom? Here's a little measuring stick:

—You "let George" attend the town meeting when some public problem for your community is coming up.

—You beg off in things like Civil Defense projects.

—You have a thousand other things to do on Election Day.

—You figure only the goofs get caught for jury duty.

—You figure the best way to lick inflation is for everyone but you to buy only what's needed and put the balance in U. S. Bonds and other savings.

That Uncle Sam hat is a symbol of our freedom. That freedom was won 175 years ago with a lot of work, war and worry.

Now it's again in danger from our own apathy.

Come on—WORK, SAVE, VOTE, PRAY. Put on the hat—on you it should look good!

Now--Freedom needs YOU!