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Children's games are a big feature of the Mueller picnics. This is a photograph of the potato race taken last year. Similar games and contests will supply plenty of entertainment for the little ones at the coming picnic.

*"The Picnic, the whole Picnic
and nothing but the Picnic"*

Make this Your Resolution and be at
**MUELLER EMPLOYEES
PICNIC**

Fairview Park, Saturday, August 20th
A Good Time and a Glad Time for Everybody

- F E A T U R E S -

- ❏ Moving Pictures and bus ride for the Kiddies.
 - ❏ Wedding of Mueller Employes in Pavilion
with present of \$100.00.
 - ❏ Games for Children.
 - ❏ Games for Grownups.
 - ❏ Band Concert.
 - ❏ Moving Pictures.
 - ❏ Baseball.
 - ❏ Horse Shoes.
 - ❏ Golf Putting.
 - ❏ Climbing Greased Pole.
 - ❏ Dancing.
 - ❏ Baby Show.
 - ❏ And the pleasure of renewing old
acquaintances.
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Put All Else Aside - - Attend The Picnic

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EDITORIAL

You can't be mean and happy any more than an orange can be sweet and sour.—The Kalends.



There is more courtesy in business than there used to be but room for improvement remains. Jerome P. Fleishman says:

"I am an advocate of more courtesy, not only in business, but in the business of life. A frown isn't even marketable; a smile pays dividends all down the line. 'I thank you' is just an ordinary decency we owe to those who have helped us along the way. 'Please' is a little word, but it sometimes works wonders. The grouch is his own punishment. Kindliness is the light that it is always in our power to shed upon the paths of our fellows."



When men quit working for the interest of their employers they quit working for their own interests. These interests are inseparable.



Hours full of earnest effort have the shortest minutes.



The time to quit is when the whistle blows, not five minutes before. One man might quit five minutes ahead of the whistle and the loss of time would be of small consequence, but take a look at this in the aggregate. If 2,000 employees do this the time loss to their employers is 10,000 minutes or a little more than 166 hours. A loss that no good business man would stand for.



A new definition of co-operation, and a good one: conducting yourself and doing your work so well that others can work with you.



Habitual happiness gives men courage and confidence in their daily lives. Happy folk are as a rule good workers. Men of sour and grouchy dispositions are too busy

thinking of their real or imaginary troubles to concentrate on an effort to do their best.



Sleeping beauties look better in fairy grotto than they do in office chairs.



We hope to see every Mueller employee on the picnic grounds at Fairview Saturday, August 20. This annual event provides the one single day of the year when we can all get together and meet each other socially. The committees in charge assisted by the company are doing everything in their power to make this occasion a red letter day in the social activities of 1927.



Tradition and habit are anchors which may not hold us stationary but they impede our progress. We drag them along unable to attain the speed with younger and newer ideas. Those who cling tenaciously to the traditions and habits of 40 years ago can't get very far in this day and age of aeroplanes, radios and automobiles.



"We" are a wonderful people. None of us deny it. A few develop and fight for an idea that wins. They are the leaders and drag us along and then we join in to share the credit and the victory.



THE VACATION PERIOD

The vacation period is at its height. This in a measure naturally interrupts the routine of the organization, but it is a great time for those who take the vacation.

Visits to relatives or to pleasure resorts or large cities are common. Quite a few have gone to the Okaw to camp and fish. Here they have the cabin in which to live and cook, nicely protected from inclement weather, but far removed from work or bustle of towns and cities.

This is an ideal place for an outing, only a few miles from the cement highway, and only about 70 miles from Decatur.

Here is quiet, peace and solitude on the banks of the swiftly flowing Okaw with plenty of shade, lowland woods, hunting and fishing, for a man and family, and at the minimum expense.

BRASS CHIPS

Ruth Whitman is substituting for her sister in the Advertising Department while Mrs. Helen Pope is on her vacation.

The Core Department night shift has been disbanded and the men transferred to other jobs in the plant. Several have gone to the day Core Department.

Wilber Allmon has been transferred from the Polishing Department to the Engineering Department as apprentice draftsman.

LeRoy Hauck of the Metal Storage Department has been transferred to the Polishing Department.

E. H. Langdon went on a business trip to various Eastern cities. He visited Washington, Philadelphia, Trenton, New York, Waterbury, Rochester, Cleveland, Sarnia and Port Huron. He was gone about three weeks.

William Burgess of the Foundry Inspection Department, whose knee was injured in an automobile accident some months ago, has gone to Chicago for treatment.

E. H. Kushmer, who is taking an extended vacation on account of his health, is spending the week at the Okaw.

Floyd Goodwin has returned to work after an operation for appendicitis.

Glen Vaughn of the Nickel Plating Department narrowly escaped a serious accident July 30. His father-in-law, H. B. Fletcher of the Core Department, was trying to start an automobile without a key. Vaughn was standing in front of the car when suddenly it started. He was struck on the body and somewhat bruised. He caught hold of the fender and so prevented himself from being run over.

Mary Theobald of the Core Department has gone to Detroit to work and Thelma Arnold has gone to Chicago to live.

The inside telephone for the Core Department has been placed in a booth.

Roy Waddell of the Core Department has been transferred to the Western Vault where he succeeds Reuben Yoho who resigned recently.

A number of boys in the Foundry have, in a quiet way, taken a new interest in religion and have come out definitely for the Lord. There is a noticeable change in the lives of a number of them.

Lee Smith is the proud father of a little daughter, Irma Jane, born July 9.

Shirl Tish rejoices in the arrival of Herald Wayne, August 1. While Mrs. Tish was at the hospital Shirl undertook to do his own cooking and prepared several good meals for the chickens before he was able to put together something that he could eat himself.

C. N. Wagenseller went to Springfield July 7 and entered St. John's Hospital for a surgical operation on his right eye. The purpose of the operation was the removal of a

Evelin Johnson



A fine, happy, healthy ten-months-old baby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Johnson. Mr. Johnson is connected with Department No. 20.

cataract. After eight days in the hospital he was permitted to return home and a week later "with his eye still in a sling" was able to resume his duties and is slowly recovering from the effects of the operation, which was performed by Dr. E. E. Hagler.

40 MUELLER BABIES ADDED TO OUR POPULATION IN 1926

Following is a list of thirty-nine babies added to our list during 1926 and one in 1925, overlooked in 1925, making a total of forty new names. They are all expected at the baby show in connection with the picnic. The list is as follows:

Father's Name	Baby's Name	Date of Birth
Wm. Furry	Irma Ilene	July 9, 1926
Wm. Hopf	Mildred	
C. T. Smith	Walter Claude	Dec. 16, 1925
Roy Baker	Robert Harold	Aug. 13, 1926
E. H. Langdon	Mary Wald	Sept. 3, 1926
Travis O. Johnson	Evelin	Oct. 1, 1926
Eugene Beneze	Mary Leatha	May 22, 1926
Guy E. Jones	Betty Ann	Nov. 18, 1926
W. J. Baldwin	Wm. J., Jr.	
M. O. Rutherford	Marybelle Annette	Aug. 29, 1926
O. J. Hawkins	Annola Jeanette	Dec. 7, 1926
Russell A. Lowe	Donald Eugene	Oct. 17, 1926
Wm. Stockton	William, Jr.	Dec. 9, 1926
Wm. De Laughter	Julius Paul	Dec. 19, 1926
Melvin Overheld	Delores Marie	Dec. 24, 1926
Fred Nash	Rosemary	Oct. 29, 1926
Algie Nier	James Gordon	Jan. 25, 1927
T. A. Davey	Donna Elaine	Dec. 27, 1926
Roy Fleckenstein	Herbert Joseph	Mar. 14, 1927
Lester Petrine	Lester Orin	Mar. 29, 1927
Lloyd Benner	Margaret	Sept. 19, 1926
Geo. L. Clark	Milham Alice	Mar. 24, 1927
Jack Frye	Eleanor Janet	April 3, 1927
Herman Amman	Loretta Maxine	Feb. 18, 1927

Al Spitzer.....	Marvin Grady.....	Mar. 4, 1927
Norman Poole.....	Joyce Galene.....	May 13, 1927
Jesse C. Moore.....	Chas. Emerson.....	Jan. 22, 1927
Henry Morey.....	Norma Jean.....	June 3, 1927
Virgil Sampson.....	Ernest Eugene.....	June 14, 1927
John McCutcheon.....	Betty Lou.....	June 8, 1927
E. R. Cash.....	Imogene.....	June 30, 1927
Glen Gillmar.....	Glen Henry, Jr.....	July 5, 1927
Lee Smith.....	Irma.....	July 9, 1927
Guy E. Jones.....	Norma Jean.....	July 16, 1927
Joe Wardle.....	Robert Lee.....	July 17, 1927
Shirl Tesh.....	Herald Wayne.....	Aug. 1, 1927
John Rudledge.....	Myron Jackson.....	Oct. 6, 1926
Joe Bullard.....	Vera.....	Sept. 21, 1926
F. A. March.....	Marilyn Adele.....	Aug. 4, 1927
Clarence Masters.....	Shirley Jean.....	Mar. 5, 1927

If your baby's name is not in this list, please notify the Employment Dept. at once.

Savings accounts are opened in bank of parent's choice if father has been working here a year when child was born.



CHANGES

Bulletins just issued announce that C. W. Hathaway shall be officially recognized as Assistant Chief Engineer, reporting direct to the Chief Engineer and in case of absence assuming his duties.

Roy Whittaker is appointed day time instructor and inspector of the Brass Foundry Division and reports directly to the Chief Inspector.

Under Southern Palms



All office people will recognize Mrs. Jessie Lewis—and some will envy her semi-tropical surroundings—as she stands beneath the palm trees in Jacksonville, Fla. Mrs. Lewis was for many years stenographer for Mr. Adolph. She went south several months ago to be with her son, Corwin, who has a position on a southern hotel publication.

A Happy Groop



Seburn Woodrum and granddaughters, Elinora and Mary Jane, who make their home with their grandparents. Mr. Woodrum is in the cleaning department of the night foundry.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

H. A. Goerges recently visited his parents at Rogers, Ark., attending the celebration of their sixtieth wedding anniversary on June 10th. Two sisters and another brother were also present at this anniversary.

Mr. Goerges was born near Madgeburg, Germany, June 21, 1841, and Mrs. Goerges at the same place on May 4, 1843. They were married June 10, 1867, and came to America in 1868 and settled at Newark, N. J., where all of their six children were born. Mr. Goerges was naturalized in 1875 and those papers with his passport are still in his possession. All of their six children are living. One daughter, Mrs. Anna Hesselbacker and one son, William F. Goerges are living in Newark, N. J., one son, Adolph at Worchester, Mass., one daughter, Mrs. M. B. Dorsey at St. Louis, Mo., and one son, Fred J. Goerges of Rogers, Ark., who is caring for his parents. There are eleven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.



MATT'S BACK

Matt Trott is back from Dallas, Texas, where he has been looking after the construction and opening of the new branch. There is no change in Matt's genial, good-natured disposition, and no indications of influence of Texas atmosphere or habits. He came back without a sombrero on his head and the committee on Public Safety and Morals searched him without finding either a bowie knife or an automatic. In fact Matt had nothing on his hip.

MUELLER 1927 PICNIC

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE DAY—SPORTS, CONTESTS AND BAND CONCERT.

Well! Well! Well! Are you awake to the fact that we are going to have a great big picnic Saturday, August 20th, at Fairview Park?

We've made a good deal of noise about it already and expect to make more because we want all Mueller folk to know about it and to be there—it's given for the entertainment of you and your family—all you have to do is to be there and collect a good time, enjoy the games—meet old friends and new—hear the band music—see the moving pictures, dance and do a whole lot of other things if you will grab the spirit of the occasion and plunge in.

There are a lot of new features this year—one of them the marriage of two Mueller employes. This happy event will be celebrated with becoming dignity and decorum in the pavilion at 5 p. m.

The names of the bride and groom will not be revealed until the happy hour of their union arrives.

It's going to be the most largely attended wedding ever held in Decatur, and we all wish it to be one of the happiest.

The following is the program for picnic day. There may be some slight changes—in the main it will be as printed here:

Fairview Park, August 20, 1927

Committee on General Arrangements

Philip Mueller	J. W. Wells
Robert Mueller	J. M. Wilkins
Adolph Mueller	C. G. Auer
F. W. Cruikshank	E. H. Langdon

Other Committees

Mueller Fixture Co.	A. W. Eichman
Vitreous Ware (Plant 9)	
	A. V. Lawton, P. H. Cruikshank
Iron Foundry (Plant 8)	
	E. B. Mueller, Jack Frye
Children's Program	Burt Jackson
Music and Dancing	Robert Lusk
Athletics	W. G. Cranston
Mueller Recreation Club	E. C. Stille
Publicity and Street Cars	
	C. N. Wagenseller
Afternoon Meeting	J. M. Wilkins
Exhibit and Moving Pictures	
	C. N. Wagenseller
Grounds	Charles Cochran
First Aid	Henry Morey

Morning

9:00—Children meet at Mueller Club—
Moving Pictures and Souvenirs.

Four Generations



Left to right: Dick Flanders, great grandfather of Shelbyville; Floyd Flanders of the core department and in his arms Lloyd, Jr., and Claude Flanders of the night foundry. The picture was taken at a family reunion in Shelbyville.

- 10:00—March to Edward and Cerro Gordo Gordo street. Board cars for ride about town, ending at Fairview Park.
10:00—Baseball, W. R. Gustin's "Fats" vs. Art Metzger's "Leans."
11:00—Baseball, Consolation game by last two teams in Mueller League.

Afternoon

- 1:30—Athletic Contests. (W. G. Cranston.) Horseshoe Pitching, Roy Whittaker. Prize, Cigars.
Basketball Shooting, Open to Men and women. Kaj Olsen. Prize, Refreshment Tickets.
Golf Putting, Open to men and women. Paul Jacka. Prize, Golf Balls.
Children's Games, Northeast corner of Park. Burt Jackson. Prizes, Refreshment Tickets.
Climbing Greased Pole, Charles Cochran. Prize to be announced.
2:30—Concert by Goodman Band.
2:45—Address by Adolph Mueller (From the Band Stand.)
3:00—Concert continued.
3:00—Baseball. Mueller League Championship (seven innings.) Prize, \$30 cash. James Morris' Acrobatic Clowns.
Comic Contests for men and women. E. C. Stille.
Baby Show at Rest Tent. E. H. Langdon.

5:00—Wedding. (A couple has been selected whose identity will not be disclosed until this time. Preparations are under way to make this a dignified and impressive ceremony.)

5:30—Drawing for Sink Combination and Tub Shower Faucet at Exhibit in Pavilion.

7:30—Moving Pictures.

7:30-10:30—Annual Dance at Pavilion. Homebrook's orchestra. (As space is limited, but two dance tickets can be allowed to each employee. Request for these must be made in the department when the lists are circulated. The Pavilion will be enclosed as last year with a woven wire fence. Please assist the Committee by keeping children off the dance floor in the evening.)

There will be a rest tent for the women.

Headquarters tent will be located north of the Pavilion. Apply here for Information or First Aid. Physical Director Cranston will have a desk in the Headquarters tent.

There will be a good exhibit of Mueller Goods in the Pavilion. Each employee will receive in his envelope a ticket with his clock number and name. This ticket is to be placed in a box at the exhibit and at 5:30 the drawing for the Sink Combination and Tub Shower Faucet will be made from the tickets so deposited.

Dick Sheeley will preside at the check room.

Refreshment stands are in charge of Walter and Ira Auer. In order to make more room on the dance floor in the evening there will be no service of refreshments on the dance floor after 6:00 o'clock.

The rewards for long service will not be made at the Picnic this year but will be made about Christmas time at the Mueller Club.



BASEBALL AND OTHER CONTESTS BEING PROMOTED

(By Bill Cranston)

Athletic Director Bill Cranston is whooping up the sport features of the picnic program. He promises some rattling fine baseball contests. Rivalry is keen this year and the leaders of the league who will figure in the stellar attraction of the day are putting in overtime in their desire to win a victory. Below is the standing of the clubs and a record of their achievements up to August 2.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Night Hawks	8	2	.800
Shipping Dept.	8	4	.667
Majors	8	5	.615
Foundry	7	5	.583
Plant 9	0	8	.000
Ramblers	0	5	.000

The Mueller league this year is composed of six teams. Their schedule calls for 16 games to be played before the picnic on

Wiping a Joint



Ralph Adams of the lead department wiping a goose-neck joint. This is one of the most interesting sights about the factory. With two little cloth pads he forms molten solder into a perfect bulb of metal more gracefully than most persons wipe perspiration from their forehead.

August 20th at Fairview Park. On that day the two leading teams will play for a cash prize and the factory championship. The Night Hawks, Shipping Dept. and Majors are battling for this privilege with the odds favoring the Night Hawks and Shipping Dept. as the most likely contenders.

Plant 9 and Ramblers look like the contenders for the consolation prize. Apparently no one can beat them out of the honor.

These two ball games will be feature events on picnic day.

The following are members of the various teams:

Brass Foundry—Wolfert, Mgr.; Doolin, Capt.; Gilmore, Anderson, Drake, Bain, Murray, Reedy, Smith, Rambo, Frye, Saltz.

Shipping Dept.—Roper, Buckley, Overfield, Yonkers, McInroe, Meador, Hall, Buckwald, Smith, Mgr.; Kellar, Capt.; Burke, Parks.

Majors—Leipski, Flaughner, Hart, Mgr.; Hobbs, Moran, Capt.; Funk, Korte, Rouse, March, Cooley, Casey, Crowder.

Plant 9—Evans, Mgr. and Capt.; Auguststein, Moore, Vale, Sampson, Broeski, Roarick, Henry, Batson, Johnson, Runyan, Jiggs.

Night Hawks—Anderson, Adams, C. C. Bourner, J. F. Bourner, Chepan, Flanders, Fortschneider, Capt.; Gaines, Morrison, Mgr.; Raushek, Schlegel, Scharein.

Ramblers—Baum, Mgr.; Garrison, Capt.; Simkins, John Anderson, George Anderson, Richards, McKee, Hanen, Bell, Masters, Monney, Conners.

Games Played; To Be Played

Below is a record of the games so far
Continued on Page 9.

Okaw Pictures



The crowd at the Okaw, July 4th, was not a large one but a few of the faithful were there and enjoyed an outing. Fishing seems to have been fairly good. Billy Mason holds the string while Mr. Robert shows up with one lone fish in his hand. We are not advised whether he made his catch in the lake with his hand or whether he caught it off Mason's string.

CLEAR ENOUGH

Officer: "Say, where do you live?"
 Drunk: "With (hick) my brother."
 Officer: "And where does he live?"
 Drunk: "(Hick) With me!"
 Officer: "And where do you both live?"
 Drunk: "Together."



Louis Dodwell of the Foundry Inspection Department is building a modern five-room house at 946 W. Eldorado.



A. H. Wolfert, who is manager of the Foundry Baseball Team, reports with pride that his team beat the Shipping Department in a very interesting game played at Millikin Field, August 1. The Shipping Department started by getting a score. Jack Frye evened things up in the fifth inning with a home run. Again the Shipping Department tied the score in the first half of the seventh inning but Jack Bain came to bat in the last half, knocked a home run and won the game for the Foundry men. Final score was 3 to 2. Wolfert said that this was one of the best games of the season. We can understand his elation.

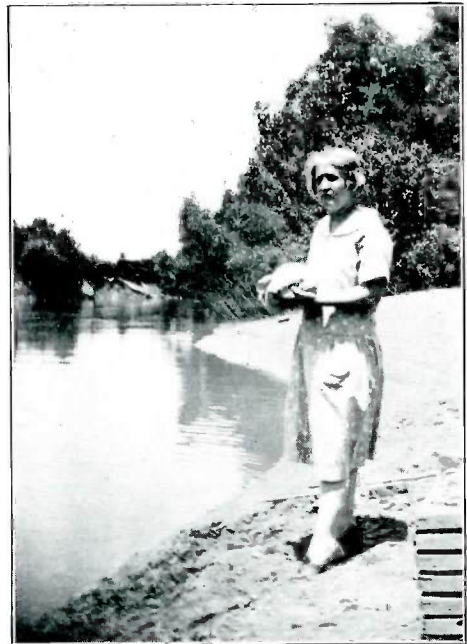


Mrs. Brown had recently opened an account in her own name at the bank and was then given a check book. All went well until the bank notified her that she had no money in the bank and that her account was overdrawn. She replied: "I don't see how that can be. I still have plenty of checks."

STARVED ROCK ACCIDENT

Many Mueller employees have visited Starved Rock in north Illinois and are familiar with this precipitous stone formation, which is one of the most interesting features of the State Park region. These Mueller folks will be interested in a recent accident that befell a Springfield boy as related by his employees to the writer. The lad, on a sight-seeing tour, ascended to the highest point for the purpose of having his picture taken. Of a venturesome disposition he stood too near the edge, and losing his balance plunged 70 feet down to the gorge below. The lad was picked up with an ankle fractured in three places and many body and head bruises. The fact that the path of his descent was obstructed with underbrush broke the full force of his fall together with his grabbing at and temporarily holding to this underbrush. The victim of the accident was rushed back to Springfield and is now an inmate of St. John's Hospital. Those of our organization who have seen and inspected Starved Rock can appreciate the thrilling experience of this youth.

In having pictures taken at Starved Rock to show to friends at home keep a safe distance from the edge of the precipice.



Here is one of Marie Engleton's best pictures—a snap shot of Mrs. Davidson, taken at the Okaw July 4th. Both portraits and landscape are excellent. Mrs. Davidson's unassumed natural pose was due the fact that she was unaware of the fact that Marie was taking the picture.

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this season and the games that remain to be played:

May 6—Majors 16; Shipping Dept. 5.
 May 7—Night Hawks 7; Brass Foundry 6.
 May 13—Brass Foundry 12; Shipping Dept. 7.
 May 16—Majors 12; Brass Foundry 5.
 May 21—Majors 17; Night Hawks 4.
 May 26—Shipping Dept. 9; Majors 1.
 June 4—Night Hawks 9; Shipping Dept. 4.
 June 6—Shipping Dept. 9; Plant 9 0.
 June 7—Majors 14; Brass Foundry 6.
 June 9—Majors 19; Plant 9 4.
 June 11—Night Hawks 10; Brass Foundry 5.
 June 14—Shipping Dept. 2; Brass Foundry 1.
 June 16—Brass Foundry 8; Majors 2.
 June 18—Night Hawks 11; Plant 9 2.
 June 18—Brass Foundry 24; Ramblers 5.
 June 20—Brass Foundry 17; Plant 9 4.
 June 23—Shipping Dept. 8; Majors 2.
 June 24—Night Hawks 20; Ramblers 0.
 June 27—Shipping Dept. 11; Plant 9 5.
 June 28—Brass Foundry 13; Majors 2.
 July 7—Shipping Dept. 10; Plant 9 7.
 July 9—Majors 10; Night Hawks 11.
 July 9—Brass Foundry 13; Ramblers 1.
 July 11—Plant 9 3; Majors 7.
 July 14—Shipping Dept. 8; Ramblers 1.
 July 16—Night Hawks —; Plant 9 —.
 July 16—Night Hawks 4; Ramblers 3.
 July 18—Shipping Dept 9; Night Hawks 0.
 July 21—Brass Foundry —; Plant 9 —.
 July 23—Majors 11; Ramblers 3.
 July 23—Night Hawks 12; Plant 9 8.
 July 25—Night Hawks —; Brass Foundry —.
 July 28—Plant 9 4; Majors 9.
 July 30—Night Hawks —; Shipping Dept. —.
 July 30—Plant 9 —; Ramblers —.
 Aug. 1—Brass Foundry —; Shipping Dept. —.
 Aug. 4—Ramblers —; Plant 9 —.
 Aug. 6—Night Hawks —; Majors —.
 Aug. 6—Ramblers —; Plant 9 —.
 Aug. 8—Brass Foundry —; Plant 9 —.
 Aug. 13—Majors —; Ramblers —.
 Aug. 13—Shipping Dept —; Night Hawks —.
 Aug. 15—Brass Foundry —; Ramblers —.
 Aug. 16—Shipping Dept. —; Majors —.
 Aug. 18—Night Hawks —; Plant 9 —.
 Aug. 19—Shipping Plant —; Ramblers —.

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BILL CRANSTON CRACKS

Fats and Leans baseball game—five innings. Teams now organizing. Sign up you tubs and bean poles. Safety first—you'll play with an indoor baseball.

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HORSESHOE HURLERS

Big championship contest. Limber up your arms and practice up on wringers. Four teams will compete on Picnic day. All elimination games will be played before that date.

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BASKET BALL

Basket ball shooting from free show line. Ten shots for each contestant. Try your skill—you might win—you'll never get anywhere if you don't butt in.



All the Okaw devotees and many others in our organization know Frank Tomkins and his boys, but they have not had the pleasure of meeting the head of the house, Mrs. Tomkins, shown here with her little daughter.

The qualifying rounds will be played in the Gym—three innings of ten shots each will be allowed. Six baskets of ten shots required to qualify at the picnic contest.

✦ GOLF PUTTING

Three prizes in this contest—first, second and third. Each contestant may shoot ten balls. All you wizards and gawks of the club get in and prove yourself a champ or a dub.

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All employes are eligible to these contests providing they meet the qualifying requirements.

BILL CRANSTON,
Physical Director.

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Frank Drake was awakened about midnight on Sunday, July 24, by a neighbor who said that a burglar had broken into his house. Frank dressed and went to the neighbors only to find that the thief had escaped. While he was standing in the driveway by his own car a brick came crashing through the windshield and someone started to run away. Drake gave chase and caught the fellow who was a Negro. In the darkness Drake stumbled over the bed of an old Ford which was lying in the backyard and the marauder escaped. Frank was laid up for a week by the bruises received in his fall.

DOG DAYS

And what about the dog days? They don't worry us any more. We used to look upon them with fear and awe. Our parents have exhausted all other resources to keep us from going swimming in the intense heat hung gruesome tales on "dog days" and the danger of swimming during their prevalence. Some of the stories stuck but most of them did not. Efforts to implant additional horror of the period in youthful minds were made by retelling the old superstition that dogs were susceptible to rabies at this time and it was unsafe to play around with the canine tribe. There are those who still believe that dogs are prone to go mad in "Dog Days." Centuries are required to eradicate superstitions from the human mind. The mad dog story comes down to us from the ancient Greeks and Romans but as a fact dog days mean something entirely apart.

Dog days is a period of from four to six weeks variously placed between the early part of July and the early part of September; canicular days, so called because reckoned in ancient times from the heliacal rising of the Dog Star (Sirius.)

Popularly, dog days are simply the sultry part of the summer when dogs are supposed to go mad.

The conjunction of the rising of the Dog Star with the rising of the sun was regarded by the ancients as one of the causes of hot weather and of the maladies which then prevailed.

But, as the conjunction does not occur at the same time in all latitudes, and is constantly changing in the same region, there has been much variation in calendars regarding the limits of dog days.

When you read up on "dog days" you begin to realize that there is more guess work and superstition than established facts.



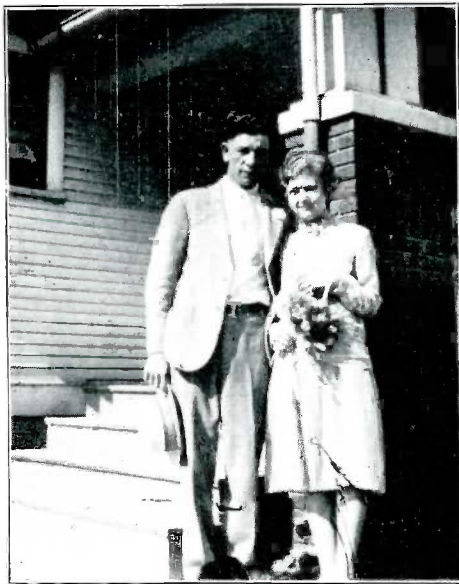
JOE KRUEBBE INITIATED

Joe Kruebbe, of the Kruebbe Company of New Orleans, paid us a visit on July 26th while en route to New York. Billy Heinrichs came up from St. Louis with him. Mr. Kruebbe put in part of the day visiting the factory and meeting heads of departments and was a guest at the Noon Day Club lunch.

During the usual enlivening and elevating conversation Billy Simpson and Everett Mueller sold Heinrichs an eight-cylinder auto of the Jim Thorp pattern. And a moment later Mr. Robert, abetted and aided by the degree team sold Mr. Kruebbe a membership in the Ham Club.

Mr. Kruebbe is one of the hustling young business men of New Orleans and our organization appreciated the opportunity of meeting him.

WEDDINGS



Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Walten

Christoff-Tauber

Florence A. Christoff and Robert H. Tauber of Dept. 33 were married June 22nd at the St. Patrick Catholic Church. Rev. Father J. Murphy officiated. The attendants were Mary Christoff, sister of the bride, and Oscar Tauber, brother of the groom.

The bride's gown was of lace over white georgette, made bouffant style. Her full length veil was of rose point and duchess lace. White roses, lilies of the valley and baby breath formed her shower bouquet. The bridesmaid was attired in peach georgette and carried a corsage of roses and sweet peas. A musical prelude was rendered by Mrs. J. M. Hawley. The altar banked with roses and ferns formed the setting for the ceremony.

After a wedding trip through the northern part of the state, Mr. and Mrs. Tauber are at home at their new bungalow at 2124 N. Water St.

Sanders-Talley

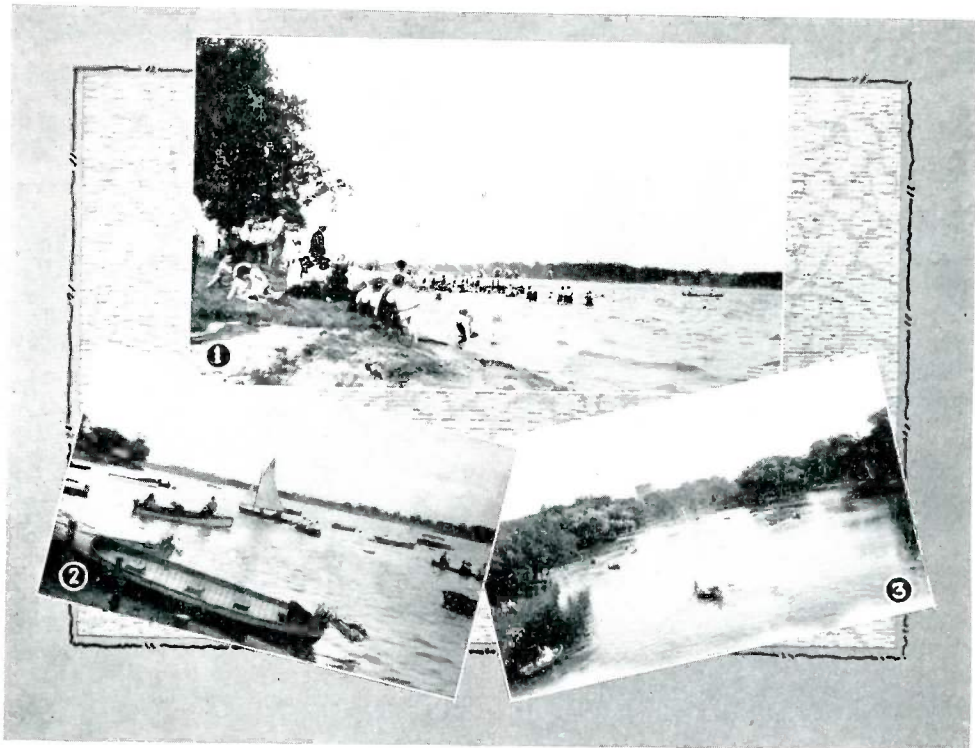
Edith Sanders of Herrick, Ill., and Crea Talley of Dept. 45 were married at Ramsey on July 2nd. They were accompanied by the bride's brother and sister. They are now living at 357 W. Cerro Gordo St.

Brule-Walten

Mae Brule and Floyd A. Walten were married June 25th by Rev. Kettlekamp. They were accompanied by the mother and sister of Mr. Walten and Mrs. Mary Steinhaur of Vandalia. After a wedding trip to

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THE CAMERA CLUB



First—Clarence Rubicum.

Second—Margaret Marcott.

Third—Eloise Dickson.

Honorable mention—Paul Burk.

The subject of the contest for July was sports, and generally the pictures seem to possess as much beauty and interest as any of preceding club contests.

Clarence Rubicum, winner of the first prize, is a new contestant, never having previously submitted a picture.

Mrs. H. D. Spencer judged the pictures, who says:

First—Clear picture with activities nicely placed and good dark and light.

Second—Very good diversity of subject, though not so much action. The sail boat makes a nice little center of interest.

Third—Good action and a clear picture.

✦ GOING TO YELLOWSTONE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mueller leave in a few days on a Western pleasure trip.

They will go to Yellowstone Park and after viewing the wonders of that region will proceed to the Coast, visiting the principal cities which will include San Francisco and Los Angeles, where the Company have branch houses.

HUBBY MIXES RADIO RECIPE WITH “DAILY DOZEN”

A June Bride asked her husband to copy the radio recipe one morning. The husband did his best but got two stations at once. One was broadcasting the morning exercises and the other the recipe. This is what he got:

“Hands on hips, place one cup of flour on the shoulders, raise knees and depress toes and wash thoroughly in one-half cup of milk. In four counts raise and lower the legs and mash two hardboiled eggs in a sieve. Repeat six times. Inhale one-half teaspoonful of baking powder and one cup of flour, breathe naturally and exhale and sift.

“Attention! Jump to a squatting position and bend white of egg backward and forward overhead and in four counts make a stiff dough that will stretch at the waist. Lie flat on the floor and roll into a marble the size of a walnut. Hop to a standstill and boil in water but do not boil into a gallop afterwards. In ten minutes remove from the fire and dry with a towel. Breathe naturally and dress in warm flannels and serve with fish soup.”—Exchange.

A Visit to Washington, D. C.

(E. H. Langdon)

To the American citizen a visit to Washington is one of the experiences of a lifetime. We read continually of the great events which center here, and imagine something of the background of history which makes this city a world influence. I was glad, indeed, to begin my contact with Eastern cities at the nation's capital. I was



The Declaration of Independence and the engrossed original of the Constitution have been transferred from the Library of the State Department and are now on exhibition in the beautiful marble hall in the Library of Congress. Between two windows on the west wall of the second floor gallery a niche has been cut in which the Declaration is enshrined. In a marble case standing on the floor in front of the Declaration is the Constitution of the United States. Both historic papers are protected by a glass which has been chemically treated so as to exclude all injurious light.

there but a few days and could only gather a few impressions which I shall try to record here.

Washington's monument dominates the city. This is quite appropriate. The great shaft rises from an open plaza to a height of 555 feet which can be seen from any part of the city. George Washington is more than a character from history to the people of the city named in his honor. It was he who selected the site of the capital. He had

a hand in planning it. Much of his life was spent in the vicinity. His home at Mount Vernon is only sixteen miles down the Potomac.

General Washington figures prominently in several of the great paintings in the rotunda of the capitol. The house in the old settlement of Georgetown, which is now a part of the capital city, and where Washington and Major L'Enfant planned the city, is still pointed out to tourists.

A visit to Mount Vernon gives one a good idea of the home life of General Washington. We are all familiar with pictures of the two-story white building with the wide veranda and the roof surmounted by cupola. It commands a fine view of the wide Potomac estuary.

The building and furnishings are kept very much as they were in Washington's time. His swords, his surveying instruments, his globe and many other relics may be seen. The house is furnished in excellent taste and it is clear that General and Mrs. Washington were people of culture and distinction.

It is not difficult to imagine this historic place filled with the notables of Revolutionary times, clad in picturesque colonial costumes.

The Washingtons' evidently had considerable company for there is a banquet room across one end of the building and in the rear are two kitchens and quarters for numerous servants.

In the rear is a fine garden. Washington had a large barn and good horses. Part way down the Potomac River is a grove and a small family cemetery and here is located the tomb of Washington which is so often seen in pictures.

In Independence Hall in Philadelphia, as



The Library of Congress, Washington.

Justly celebrated as the culmination of agricultural achievement of the day, was completed in 1897 at a cost of \$6,000,000. The Library is here seen from the Capitol. The dome and lantern are finished in black copper, with panels gilded with a thick coating of gold leaf, and the cresting of the dome terminates in a gilded final representing the torch of Science ever burning.

well as in art galleries of various cities, are portraits of Washington. He was evidently a man of dignity, poise and power. He was fitted by nature for leadership and gave himself unselfishly to a great cause.

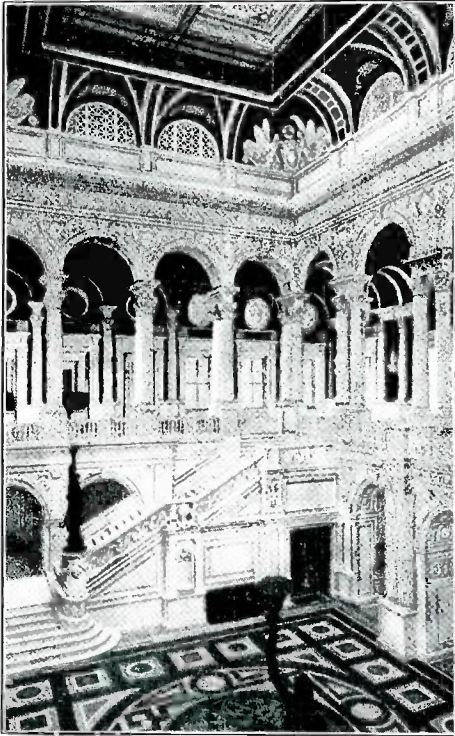
All this we have heard before; but when the imagination plays back over the conditions under which the colonists lived, considers the limitations which were upon them; we are impressed anew with the great value of the service that they gave to the nation. While they believed in the greatness of the country they could not, of course, foresee the full significance of their deeds. The sac-

negroes. The colored population in the city of Washington is about 150,000.

In my humble judgment the most beautiful and impressive structure in Washington is the Lincoln Memorial. Competent critics agree that it is one of the most beautiful things of its kind in the world. It is not quite a mile from the Washington Monument and at the end of a three mile vista may be seen the great dome of the Capitol.

It would take days to visit the various museums, art galleries, libraries and other public buildings of Washington. We cannot even mention them here.

Arlington National Cemetery, just across the Potomac from Washington, is soon to be connected with the city by a memorial



Entrance Hall, Library of Congress,
Washington, D. C.

The Entrance Hall of the Library of Congress, Washington, has been styled as "vision in polished stone." The architectural effect is imposing.

rifices they made were great, and in many cases the rewards they got was very slight. The issues involved were perhaps greater than they or we realize. A visit to points of historic interest in Washington and Philadelphia makes all this much more real than it otherwise would be.

But let us return to Washington, D. C., which is said to be the finest capital in the world.

There are many large and imposing public buildings. Some are seen across wide park ways. Others are surrounded by old and unworthy structures swarming with



Lot of Mueller employees have seen this wonderful water fall but Niagara is always a subject of interest. It is one of the marvels of the world, toward which all tourists turn their footsteps. The American and Canadian governments have beautified the grounds about this celebrated spot which adds materially to the enjoyment of a visit there.

bridge which will symbolize the union of the North and South. Here lies the unknown soldier and a sentry is forever on guard.

Niagara Falls

After an absence of 26 years, I again visited Niagara Falls. There is less water going over the brink than there was in 1901, but the Falls remain one of the great natural wonders of the world. The American Falls drop 165 feet and the Canadian Falls 157 feet. Above are rapids which reduce the Falls by 50 feet. The Niagara Gorge is about eight miles long and the walls expose the rock structure which make possible a great cataract. Near the surface is a thick layer of hard limestone. Under it are layers of softer stone which wear away faster than the limestone. This makes a cliff over which the water may fall. In the center of the Canadian Falls the flow of water is cutting away the cliff about six feet a year; and at this rate, in about 25,000 years, the Gorge will reach Lake Erie and drain it. Several miles below the Falls there is a place which was once the brink of the cataract. There are many indications that great river plunged over a certain precipice into the gorge below. This

was long before the time of written history but the record is in the rocks.

More able pens than mine have attempted to describe Niagara Falls and failed. A cataract differs from other scenes in nature by the constant motion which nothing but a moving picture camera can get and it fails to record the changing play of color.

A battery of great search lights have been mounted on a hill opposite the Falls and in the evening thirteen hundred million candle power of electric light are turned upon the rushing waters which have been hidden in darkness. The intensely illuminated waters in their setting of night have a peculiar beauty wholly distinct from that of sunlight. The white light plays upon the Falls for half an hour and then suddenly changes into rainbow tints. Various color combinations follow each other in a leisurely succession of beautiful effects.

Niagara Falls are visited by thousands of tourists each year and the whole vicinity is organized to take care of them. At each point along the Gorge some commercialized concession proclaims that your visit to Niagara is not complete unless you pay a dollar to go under the Falls, or fifty cents to descend to the Rapids, or seventy-five cents to ride over the Whirlpool on a cableway. The American and Canadian governments, however, have developed a beautiful park system on each side of the River and they make no effort to exploit tourists.

A recent article in the National Geographical Magazine describes all the great cataracts of the world. There is one in Brazil and another in Central Africa which, when their rivers are in flood, are greater water falls than Niagara. But these wonders are inaccessible and difficult to see even to one on the ground. For majesty and beauty, Niagara is the world's greatest cataract.



The rushing, swirling, turbulent waters of Niagara as they approach this brink of the falls.

DEPLORABLE ACCIDENT

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mueller
Killed at Seattle.

Only last month we announced the marriage of Miss Florence Mueller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mueller to John Hamilton Irving of Seattle, Wash., and now comes the shocking news of her death Sunday afternoon, August 7th, at her new home.

Telegrams announcing the distressing accident which resulted fatally were received on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Irving were returning from the golf club in Seattle, occupying the back seat of an automobile driven by a friend. At a turn they collided with another car and Mrs. Irving was thrown to the pavement, dying instantly. The other occupants of the car escaped with serious injuries.

The body of Mrs. Irving is being returned to Port Huron, where burial will take place probably Saturday, August 13.

While Mrs. Irving spent most of her life in New York City and Port Huron, her parents were Decatur folk and she was quite well known here.

The deepest sympathy is felt for the parents and brother of the victim of this unfortunate accident.



Born to Mr. and Mrs. Happy March, August 4, 1927, a daughter. Happy came across with cigars at the noon day lunch. She has been named Marilyn Adele.



Mason-Ponewash

W. T. Mason, superintendent of construction and Miss Mabel Ponewash, gave their friends a real surprise by getting married on August 4th. They have gone to house-keeping at 940 East Clay street.



Every time some people accept a favor, they look for the price mark.



Helen Pope of the Advertising and Stationery Department, spent her vacation, the first week of August, at home, Waynesville and at Pittsfield, Ill.



For Sale or Exchange—One bum optic as the result of an operation for a cataract somewhat smaller than Niagara Falls. Will trade for a bunion, corn, sore toe or a case of smallpox. Call on editor of the Record.

Financial Statement EMPLOYEES' AID SOCIETY BENEFIT FUND

June 28-August 2, 1927.

June 28, Balance..... \$1,588.01

Receipts

Company Contribution:

July\$ 50.00
August 50.00
July dues 971.65 1,071.65

\$2,659.66

Payment

Death Benefit:
Fred B. Henkle.....\$ 125.00

Flowers:

C. C. Morris..... 5.00
Fred B. Henkle..... 5.00

Dr. Yates, services..... 12.00

Benefits listed below..... 666.95 813.95

Aug. 2, Balance..... \$1,845.71

Resources

Bonds\$4,500.00

Emergency Loan Fund..... 500.00

Bldg. and Loan Stock..... 800.00

Cash 1,845.71 \$7,645.71

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BENEFITS PAID

Clint Allen	\$ 3.75	Jack Alexander	5.40
F. I. Goodwin	44.40	Jack Adams	7.20
H. J. Linton	3.00	E. H. Kushmer	36.00
W. Fitzpatrick	1.00	Jaul Jacka	7.75
Paul Gaddis	41.20	Reuben Runion	18.00
L. D. Elam	13.50	Harl Eaglin	12.00
Ed. B. Smith	53.40	Lester Perrine	2.25
Ben Cook	15.00	Ed. Witts	23.20
John T. Curry	6.00	Cecil E. Smith	15.00
Wm. Burgess	59.20	W. Waddell	7.50
Arthur Bauer	3.00	C. N. Wagen-	
Andrew Roberts	2.70	seller	39.00
O. N. Campbell	5.25	Nola Harrison	9.00
Lee Ellington	3.00	A. N. Jackson	17.10
LeRoy Hauck	6.75	Thos. D. Powell	8.40
Chas. Bailey	15.00	Albert Ander-	
Fred Lake	21.00	son	32.00
Alva Morrison	53.20	F. A. Drake	12.00
Owen Dodd	8.10	U. S. Friend	15.00
Jas. Campbell	12.90		
T. W. Parker	18.00		
Dewey Hooper	10.80	Total	\$666.95

PLEASURE TRIP

Mr. Adolph and Robert I. Hunt returned about August 1st from a trip to Montreal, Quebec, and other interesting points in Canada from where they went to New York City. It was a little vacation and pleasure trip and was greatly enjoyed.

JEALOUSY

"I hear you've lost your parrot that used to swear so terribly."

"Yes—we found him dead on the golf links."

A Two Year Old



This two-year-old buster is the son of C. O. Foster of Dept. 18. He is a rollicking good-natured boy and as his face indicates the world to him is only a place to have fun.

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Chicago and Michigan, they are now living at 996 W. Packard St.

Wehrle-Brown

Gertrude E. Wehrle and Carl W. Brown of Dept. 30 were married June 30th at the courthouse by Judge McCoy. They were accompanied by Mrs. Belle Greene and Mr. Alman Nicholson. The bride wore a gown of pink flowered organdy. No wedding trip was taken, but the couple are planning a trip south later. Mrs. Brown has been employed at the Empress Confectionery. They are living at 561 N. Franklin for the present.

Bland-Trevillion

Nellie Bland and Clarence Trevillion of the night brass shops, were married by Rev. K. A. Auten at his residence, 412 S. Broadway, July 2nd. They are living at 2375 N. Oakland Ave.

A CAPITAL AFFRONT

"You've been licked," said Paddy's mother as he came in from school, crying.

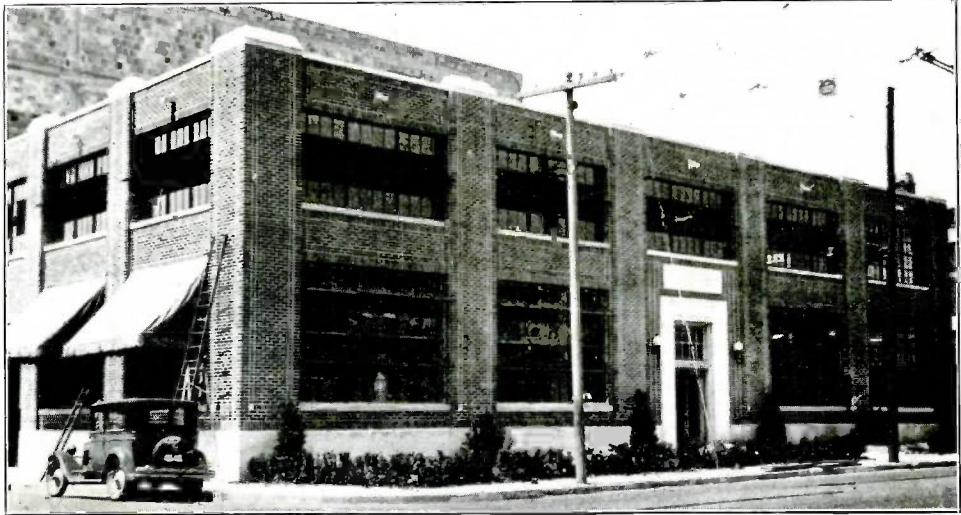
"I ain't," he said. "There was a doctor at school this mornin' examined us and he said I had ad'noids."

"Phwat's thim?" asked his mother.

"They're things in your head as has to be taken out," answered Johnny.

"It's a dom lie, angrily exploded his mother. "I've fine-combed yure head ivry Saturday night and niver an ad'noid did I find!"

Dallas Branch Finished



This is the new branch at Dallas as it stands completed with flowers and shrubbery to give it a pretty setting.

And to the right is the force operating the branch. Reading left to right, standing, W. L. Jett, Southern Division Manager; F. E. Carroll, W. L. Dewitt, General Manager; John Oglesby, Charles Sipe. Sitting: Crystelle Robert, Ella Mae Stanley and Mrs. G. R. Kemmet.

A COMMON OCCURENCE

Diner: "Waiter, there is a fly in my ice cream."

Waiter: "Let him freeze and teach him a lesson. The little rascal was in the soup last night."

OF COURSE

"Why does a Scotchman have a keen sense of humor?"

"I don't know—why?"

"Because it's a gift!"

MORE LUCK

Doctor: "Congratulations! You are the father of triplets."

Father (who married a telephone operator): "Just my luck! She always gives me the wrong number."

COMPARISONS!

"Boy, you sho' has got a big mouth."

"Huh, you fool niggah, that ain't no key-hole in the front of your face."—Kansas Sour Owl.

TOO TRUE

"The oyster is quite modest,

And oh, so bashful too—

Which explains why he's so seldom,
Found in Oyster-Stew!"



THEY WERE WELCOME

It was a welcome sight to Mueller folks when the street building contractors dropped in on that block on North College between Cerro Gordo and Eldorado and also between the Wabash and Green street.

These two blocks have long been in disgraceful condition. For bad street paving they were the safest bet in Decatur. The block south of Cerro Gordo street was especially poor—villainous in fact—with its deep chuck holes that dislocated spines and made Paul Andrews and Charlie Sipes swear every time they drove their cars through that street, which was about twice a day.

Now the street is to be resurfaced and while this will remove a cause for profanity it will not cure many for they have got so accustomed to cussing that they can't quit it.