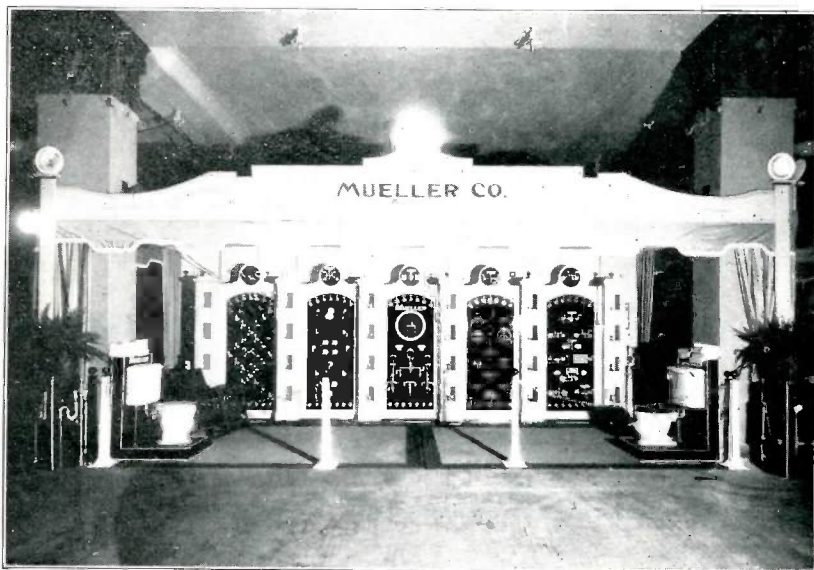


# *The* **MUELLER** **RECORD**

JULY, 1927

## MUELLER EXHIBIT AT MINNEAPOLIS



Mueller Co. exhibit at the convention of the National Association of Master Plumbers in Minneapolis, Minn. It took rank with the prettiest displays made.



# Line Up For The Picnic

## Fairview Park Aug. 20, 1927

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Plans are in the Making for the Annual  
Gathering of Mueller Employees

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### BIGGER AND BETTER PROGRAM

For both Young and Old — Keep the Date Open  
Go to the Picnic and Enjoy the Day

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*Details in August Record*



## In The Good Old Summer Time SAVE Something

Open an account in the Employees Investment

Plan Thursday or Friday at noon

Employment Dept.

*Seven Per Cent On Savings*

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## EDITORIAL

If you do not believe men are grown up boys give them a hand full of cannon fire crackers and a box of matches. Then watch him for about five minutes and you will change your opinion.

We have gotten the 4th of July out of our system and returned to work with all our fingers, eyes and other necessary appurtenances of the human body. This leaves us in first class serviceable condition for the next big event in the calendar which is the Mueller picnic on August 20th at Fairview park. The committees in charge are working on plans which promise one of the greatest events in this line we have ever scheduled. Every Mueller employe should arrange his affairs so that he may participate in this picnic.

Warm weather supplies one of the best of all tests of a man's mettle. It searches out his hidden weaknesses, shows whether or not he be a worker or a shirker, whether he can carry on under trying conditions or no, and reveals to what extent he has control of his temper. When a man flies off the handle on a red-hot summer day he is likely to excuse it on the grounds of being upset by the heat. This business of keeping cool in the dog days is no slight task, although it can be done. Anyway, it is well worth the effort, for hot weather alone is a greivous enough thing to bear, without adding to it the curses of temperament, temper or personal animus.

The whole force mourns the death of two veterans—Charlie Morris and Frank Henkle—both called while seemingly in perfect health.

Here were two faithful men of exactly opposite temperaments yet each attracting a wide circle of friends. Charlie was joviality itself, smiling, beaming with good nature and good fellowship. Frank was quiet and retiring, with little to say but still genial and friendly. Although many years a Mueller employe he was not generally known except by the older employes. He had, however, many strong friends, and to

them was an interesting companion.

The deaths of these two men cuts another scar in the ranks of the rapidly vanishing old guard.



## A PICTURE OF YOUR HOME

When we held the Departmental Meetings last year it was stated that we hoped to take pictures of the residences of all employees who live in Decatur and own their homes. We want to have a complete list before beginning this work and we are not certain. Make sure that we have your home address and if you wish the picture taken notify your clerk or leave word at the Employment Office. If you bought your home recently it is possible that we do not have a record of it.

These pictures will be used to illustrate the Mueller Record. We would also like to make an exhibit of them. There will be no charge for the pictures.



## EMPLOYMENT OFFICE EXPLAINS

It seems to the Employment Office that everyone who has a job knows someone else who has not, and we are beset with requests to help find jobs for friends and relatives. Unfortunately we cannot employ a man because he needs a job. It seems that there are not quite jobs enough to go around. Those who have work are sticking to it and few employers are hiring anyone just now. The man who is out of a job is out of luck.

The backwardness of the farm work, the slacking up in building operations and the general cautiousness in business combine to check expansion of working forces.



The meanest girl on earth is she who smiles sweetly at you while punching the keys on a change-making machine and gyps you out of a dime.

On the great clock of time there is but one word; Now!—Shakespeare.

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue but the parent of all other virtues. —Cicero.

Don't blame the young man of today too severely. Those peg-top trousers and flaming ties of your own early days were a blamed sight worse.

If there were no rainy days in our lives, sunshine would become extremely monotonous.

## STROKE FATAL TO

## DEPARTMENT HEAD

Charles C. Morris Dies on Eve of Twenty-five Years Continuous Service



Charles C. Morris, foreman of the Lead Department, hurried to work on the morning of June 24. A few minutes afterward he seemed to reel and the boys led him to a chair. He complained of a pain in his head. Then it was observed that one side was paralyzed. An ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the Decatur and Macon County Hospital where he died at 9:46 o'clock that night without regaining consciousness.

Charles Morris was born near Elwin, December 21, 1859 and has lived in Macon County all his life. In 1897 he moved to Decatur from the farm and purchased his home at 429 E. Peoria Avenue where he has resided ever since.

For nine years Mr. Morris was employed by the Wabash R. R. On July 2, 1902, he began his service for Mueller Co., first in the Brass Finishing Department for about a year, and since then in the Lead Room. For many years he has been foreman of this department. If he had continued to work until July second he would have finished just 25 years of continuous service. In recognition of his loyalty Mr. Adolph Mueller wrote a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Morris and enclosed the 25-year continuous service emblem which is set with five pearls.

Charley Morris was a large, pleasant man who radiated cheerfulness. His laugh was contagious. On social occasions he could be counted on for a humorous stunt which showed cleverness and originality. He thoroughly enjoyed good times and recently told a friend that he enjoyed life more and more as he went along. His genuine kindness and good nature made friends of all his acquaintances.

Funeral services were held from the Nazarene Church on North Clinton Street at 10:00 Tuesday morning, June 28, and were conducted by the Reverend Madison F. Grose. The little church was filled with friends and relatives. Burial was at the

Salem Cemetery west of Elwin. The procession was more than a mile long. At the Salem Chapel brief services were held attended by friends who live in that community. At the cemetery the Odd Fellows officiated and this Lodge attended the funeral in a body. Honorary pall-bearers were:

Louis Schario	Howard Blankenship
Grant Draper	James Edwards
William Schroll	Ira Garver
U. V. Wacaser	R. R. Ballinger

Acting pall-bearers were:

Ralph Adams	W. B. Burke
C. F. Roarick	Burt Jackson
Wm. Ferry	Frank Volkman
John Duffey	Charles Reeves

Out of town friends and relatives who attended the funeral were Mrs. May Portwood of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Irvine and daughter of Pittsfield, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. William Martin of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Martin of Springfield.



## HONORS FOR BURT JACKSON

At a recent meeting of Stephen Decatur Lodge A. F. & A. M. Burt Jackson of the shipping department was elected Worshipful Master. This is an honor which all Masons appreciate and we have no doubt that Burt will discharge his obligation in a way completely satisfactory to his brother Masons.



## FOUND NOTICE

Drivers Soules and Jukes painted Ed Stille's car recently and found three dozen hair pins, ribbons, etc. Owners may have same upon application to either of the above.



Miss Quete: "Say, porter, theres 20 minutes difference between the time of the clock in the station and the one in the waiting room."

Porter: "That don't make no difference, Miss, about dem clocks. De train goes at 5.09."

Teacher: "Willie, did your father write this essay?"

"No, ma'am. He started it but mother had to do it all over again."

Schram the Artist—I hope you don't mind me coming to sketch in your field, farmer?

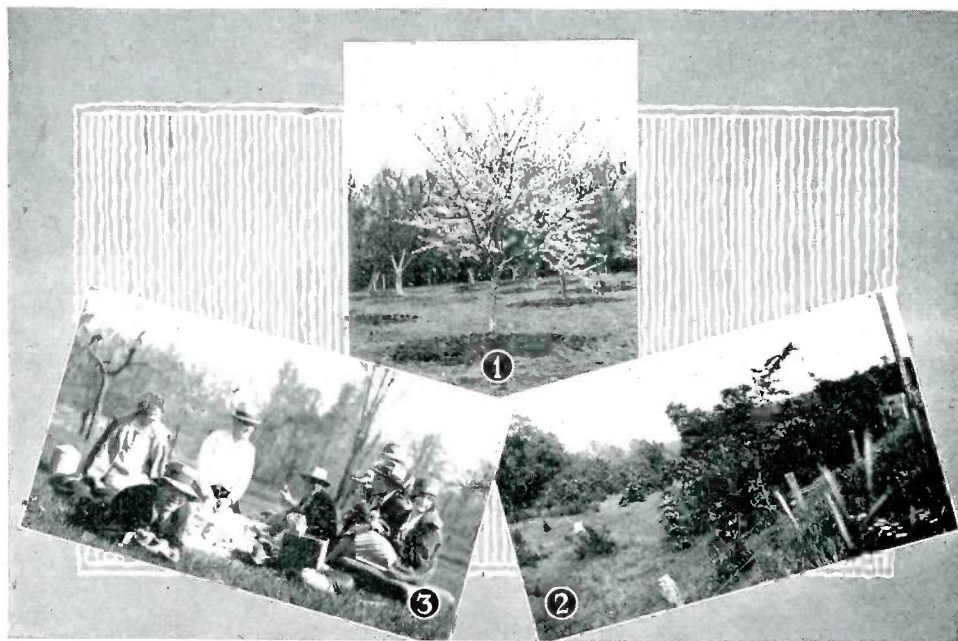
Farmer—Oh, no. You keep the birds off the peas better'n any orn'ery scarecrow.

Jake—Real beauty is rare. Though I know hundreds of women, there are only two who I consider beautiful.

Isabel—Who is the other?



## THE CAMERA CLUB



Camera Club pictures for the month of June were on the subject of "Spring." Pictures were judged by Mrs. Robert Mueller. Prizes were awarded as follows:

- No. 1--Helen Pope
- No. 2--Mary Schultz
- No. 3--Marie Eagleton

Pictures for July will be on the subject of "Sports." Pictures must be turned in to Marie Eagleton by July 10th.

### MUELLER EXHIBIT PRAISED AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

#### Five Panel Display of Mueller Brass Goods Excels at Most Successful Plumbing Convention

The annual convention of the National Association of Master Plumbers was held at Minneapolis, June 20-24, 1927.

Sessions of the delegates were held in the auditorium which has a seating capacity of 10,000. The exhibits were in the basement.

The auditorium was erected by the City of Minneapolis and is one of the notable structures of its kind in the United States.

This was the most successful convention the Master Plumbers have ever held. It had the largest attendance and the finest line of exhibits of plumbing goods ever shown in one building. In the evenings the building was crowded with city people intent on learning the new features. Among the novelties shown were green and pink lavatories. The trend of the time is to get away from white in the bath room, substituting color, at least in the tile walls

and floors.

It may lead to the use of colored fixtures or white fixtures with color combinations. On this question, however, the trade is not unanimous. White, standing as it does for cleanliness and purity, has so long been associated with bath rooms that it will be difficult to dislodge it.

The Mueller Exhibit received generous attention. It excelled anything in the brass goods line and ranked with the biggest and best displays made. It consisted of five panels decorated with Mueller Brass goods, set between six pillars, each having four recesses in which were lavatory faucets with an electric light shining on them.

Mr. Adolph attended this convention and met many members of the trade during the three days he was there. He was also a guest at meetings of the Kiwanis and Association of Commerce at dinner, and delivered an address at the meeting of the plumbers.

Those attending the convention in addition to Mr. Adolph were C. N. Wagenseller and wife, O. C. Draper and wife.  
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## - The Mueller Picnic -

A prize of \$100.00 is offered to the Mueller employee, either man or woman, who will be married at the close of the band concert at 5:00 o'clock at the Pavillion Saturday, August 20, at the Mueller picnic.



The said employee must have been in the service of Mueller Co. one year or more. The identity of the bridal couple will not be disclosed until the hour of the wedding. If there

are several applicants the first couple meeting the requirements of the Committee will be selected. All communications in regard to this matter will be held in strictest confidence.

It is the idea of the Committee to handle this in an appropriate and dignified manner.

The committee consists of C. G. Auer, J. W. Wells, and E. H. Langdon.



### PICNIC

The Mueller Picnic will be held at Fairview Park, Saturday, August 20, 1927. After due consideration it was decided that, after all, Fairview Park is the best place for our Picnic. It is more accessible for our people, safer, has more shade, and has baseball diamonds.

The following program committee is at work and an interesting day is assured.



General Arrangements ..... C. G. Auer, J. W. Wells, Mrs. Ella Rost, J. M. Wilkins, E. H. Langdon, C. N. Wagenseller  
Children's Program ..... Burt Jackson

Music and Dancing ..... Robert Lusk  
Athletics ..... W. G. Cranston  
Athletic Association ..... E. C. Stille  
Grounds ..... Charles Cochran  
Plant 8 ..... E. B. Mueller  
Plant 9 ..... P. H. Cruikshank  
Night Shifts ..... J. P. Dial

The Goodman Band has been engaged again for a three hour concert for the afternoon of the Picnic. There will be a brief interlude and Mr. Adolph Mueller will make a short informal talk. Then the ball games will get under way.

Later in the afternoon the Band will move over into the Pavillion and play dance music for an hour before the wedding.

An interesting program for the children

will be going all day under the direction of Charles Auer and Burt Jackson.

Have your boys and girls come to the Mueller Club Gymnasium at 9:00 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, August 20.

There will be a program in the Gym. Later they will march to the corner of Edward and Cerro Gordo streets for the annual street car ride about town, ending at Fairview Park before dinner.

In the afternoon there will be a full set of contests, games and several new features that will keep the kiddies interested every minute. In the evening there will be moving pictures and the annual dance.



Due to the limited floor space in the Pavillion it will be necessary to follow the usual custom of the Company and allow only two dance tickets to each employee. These can be secured only by application in advance. It is the request of the dance committee that only two tickets be allowed to any one employee.

There will be no distribution of service awards at the Picnic as it is now the policy of the Company to make the distribution in December. Our friends, the salesmen, will not be with us at this season but we hope to see them this winter.



The athletics will be charge of W. G. Cranston, physical director, and will include a wide variety of sports. There will be a Mueller League championship baseball game as one feature of the afternoon.

The Mueller Athletic Association, in charge of E. C. Stille, will put on a series of games and contests for grown-up children.

Mueller Co. will stand the treat for refreshment tickets as usual and proper arrangements will be made for adequate serving of these refreshments.

In due time the clerk or foreman of your department will visit you to get the information necessary to make up your envelope. This is the time to make your request for dance tickets.

IF YOU HAVE A NEW IDEA FOR



THE PICNIC TAKE IT UP WITH C. G. AUER OR E. H. LANGDON AND LET US SPRING IT AS A SURPRISE.

The detailed program will appear later and will be so planned that there will be something to interest everybody.



#### BABY SHOW

We expect to have the baby show again this year and want to be sure to have a list of all the children of employees who have been born in the last year. Be sure to report your little one.



#### SAVINGS ACCOUNT

It has been the custom of the Company to open savings accounts about Picnic time for each child born since the last Picnic whose father has been working for the Company a year or more.

The stipulation is that the parents put in two dollars before the next picnic and the Company will then add another dollar and so on for 10 years.

The child's father must continue in the Company's employ and make a deposit of at least two dollars each year.

Such a savings account is an object lesson in thrift to the child and by the time he is ten years old he has a substantial fund which, even at three per cent, it has earned him several dollars' interest.

It is important that the pass books for such savings accounts opened in past years be left with Mr. Langdon in the Employment Office by Monday, August 1, and not later than Monday, August 8. No other notice than this statement will be given.



#### MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day was observed according to our usual custom. The office and factory closed and Saturday, Sunday and Monday were observed as holidays.

On Memorial Day a committee representing the employes visited Greenwood cemetery and at the Henry Mueller and Mueller-Cruikshank mausoleums deposited beautiful floral offerings from the employes in memory of the following:

Hieronymus Mueller and wife.

Henry Mueller.

Fred B. Mueller.

This tribute was deeply appreciated by the members of the company.



"Mamie's got a job as a stenog."

"What Mamie?—no!"

"Honest!"

"Do ya s'pose she'll get by?"

"Well, she may at that. Y' see, her boss told her right off he's a man of few words, an' that sounded encouragin' to Mamie; she don't know very many."

#### Men With Hoes



These men with hoes in their hands and hose on their feet differ from Edwin Markham's man with the hoe, who

"Bowed by the weight of centuries he leans

Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground,

The emptiness of ages on his face,

And on his back the burden of the world."

Any "emptiness" about this bunch is always located beneath their belt buckles. And they don't as a rule affect hoes. Constituting the shipping room baseball team they had an important game to play. Jerry Yonkers claimed he could not pitch because he had to hoe his potatoes. His teammates agreed if he would pitch they would help him hoe his potatoes the succeeding night, which they did and that's when they had their pictures taken. Left to right, they are: Orville Keller, Jerry Yonkers, Pat Smith, Mel Overfield, Harry Myers, Doc Meadors, Carl Bushwald, Jiggs Clark, Dean Cushing, and Leo MacInroe.

#### LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT

To Mueller Employees:

Let us assure you that your thoughtfulness in sending floral tributes in memory of members of our family who have passed on, invokes our deep sense of appreciation, and we wish in this way through the columns of the Record to express our sincere thanks.

The floral offerings were indeed beautiful and they will always be remembered with gratitude.

We cannot thank you personally as we should like to do, but trust that this message will be accepted as a personal expression to you.

ROBERT MUELLER, Secretary.



#### C. G. A. PICNIC

The C. G. A. Club had a picnic at the Mueller Lodge, Saturday afternoon, June 25th. About thirty girls attended. The afternoon was spent playing tennis, croquet and in contests. Refreshments, pink lemonade and pop-corn, and balloons were given out during the afternoon. A picnic supper was served on the lawn at 6:30. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Auer were guests.



#### In Sarnia

W. E. Mueller left for Sarnia, Ontario, Tuesday, July 5th on business for the company.



**BRASS CHIPS**

Vincent Mason of the Regulator Department has been transferred to the Engineering Record Department.

Oscar Kimble who worked at the Pottery has been transferred to the Iron Foundry at Plant 8.

Arthur Teike has been transferred from the experimental shop of the Engineering Department to the Tool Room.

Fred Freise, Jr., has been transferred from the day Foundry to Department 30.

Paul Burk of the Laboratory has been transferred to Department 30.

F. D. Powers, formerly of Plant 9, was transferred to Department 30 as clerk, and thence to the Engineering Record Department.

Luther Pierson, Chester Hagan, and Carl Torrance of Plant 9 have been transferred to the Brass Foundry.

Mrs. Jessie Lewis who has been secretary to Mr. Adolph Mueller writes that she will continue to live in Florida with her son Corwin. Mary Wilkins has been promoted to this work. Vivian Scholes takes her place as stenographer to Mr. Wells. Ida M. Moore succeeds Miss Scholes in the Employment Office.

The latest thing in sun shades is being sported by the factory messenger, Elmer Merrow. It seems to be a three-quarters cap with a bald spot behind and a green section in front, merging into a green, translucent visor.

Lois Green of Pana, Illinois, and Lloyd Shellenberger of the night Polishing Department were married June 18. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Overfield and will reside at 304 E. King Street.

C. W. Hathaway and H. A. Wilkins attended the annual convention of the American Electro-Platers Society at Toledo, Ohio, June 29 to July 2. Hathaway took Wilkins along so that he would not lose his brief case.

William Burgess of the Foundry Inspection Department injured his knee when trying to escape from an automobile while crossing the street, and has been laid up for a number of weeks with arthritis of the knee joint.

Benton Fonner of the Foundry has returned to work after an absence of several

**Wm. Hill's Grandsons**

Wm. Hill, who has been in the brass shop for more than 28 years is shown here with his two grandsons, in whom there is a difference of only two weeks in age.

At the left is Harold, age 3, son of Herman Hill of the tool room. At the right is Wayne, age 3, son of Carl Hill. Grandpa Hill is properly proud.

weeks. He underwent an operation for hernia.

Ollie Fortschneider of the Night Tool Room cut his knee with a sickle when mowing grass at home. The resulting injury has laid him up since June 14.

Anthony Grossman came back to work after an absence of two months due to a ruptured appendix.

Ed Kushmer, clerk in Department 18, has had to give up his work for the time being on account of his health.

L. E. Clark of the Laboratory was unable to attend the Foundrymen's Convention in Chicago due to an attack of mumps.

The recent epidemic of mumps has abated somewhat and we trust that it will have made its rounds and disappear with the coming of summer.



## GOOD SAFETY RECORDS

E. H. Langdon, who keeps the safety statistics, reports that the past six months of the present year is slightly under last year's low record for lost time on account of accidents. The average lost time for the entire force was 4.1 hours per man. In 1926 it was 8.6 hours for the year.

The Night Brass Foundry has had the misfortune to have the most accidents in the last six months with a total of 1451 lost time hours and 26 accidents. The following departments have run for the past six months without an accident:

Office, Night Core Department, Metal Storage, Night Grinding, Nickel Plating, Production Control, Blacksmith Shop, Engineering Department, Traffic, Cafeteria, Tool Making, and Day Shift and Inspection.

Department 24 in Plant 8 had but one lost time accident and that for only one hour.

These figures show that the Night Shift has had a slightly lower accident rate during the past six months than the corresponding department in the Day Shift, and is a marked improvement over records in 1925 and 1926.

Constant watchfulness, observance of safety rules, and closer supervision by the foreman all combine to prevent accidents.

There are still a few men who do not realize the importance of reporting slight injuries and getting first aid, but they are fewer than we have ever had before.

The amount of sickness due to "stomach trouble" indicates that there are a good many people who eat food that their digestive apparatus cannot dispose of. Again we suggest for those whose work is confining, a lighter diet with plenty of milk, raw fruit and raw vegetables. Take time to eat slowly. Chew food thoroughly and don't overeat.



May 21, 1905

Washington,—President Roosevelt went for a long automobile ride this afternoon. So far as known, this is the first time the President has ever traveled in one of the horseless carriages in Washington, and his appearance on Pennsylvania Avenue created a mild sensation. He was accompanied by Laurence O. Murray, Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Automobilists on the way to Morris Park yesterday were arrested in considerable numbers by the police. In every case they were charged with speeding at more than eighteen miles an hour. One man was going twenty.

New York Tribune



Students Visit Us



Here is a bunch of Clinton High School students who recently visited us and made a trip through the factory. Like all other visitors they were astonished at the size of the plant and the variety of the product, and obtained a very good idea of what constitutes water, plumbing and gas brass goods.

Miss Eleanor Shaw resigned her position in the filing department on June 18th. She and her sister, Dorothy, were married on June 25th.

J. F. Sloan, Department 57, left us June 11th to take employment with White Star Line out of New York. He is to be an electrician on the Steamship Majestic.

Wm. H. Dixon of the Tool Room has given up his work for a prolonged vacation. Mr. Dixon was a 20 year man.

John Duffey, Fire Chief, is our authority for the following yarn: Wm. Burke was seen chasing a robin for two blocks down Washington Street recently. Eventually he caught the bird and took from his bill a cherry. He was heard to tell the robin that it was impossible to steal cherries from Billy Burke and get away with it. The robin promised to remember this advice and Burke let him go. This was witnessed by John Duffey who says this goes to prove that Burke is indeed a thrifty man.



Lawyer: "Rastus, the jury acquits you of the theft of any chickens. Do you want to thank them for their decision?"

Rastus: "Yes suh—Ah wants to do more dan dat. Ah wants to invite dem out to a chicken dinner."



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Robert Whitehead, Minneapolis, Ivan Van Haften, New York, and W. F. Aaron, Ohio.

An illustration of our booth appears on the front cover.



## Mueller High School Graduates

Left column reading down:  
Helen German, daughter of Edward German, Dept. 18.  
Lorane Davlin, daughter of Art Davlin, Main Office.  
Dorothy Auer, daughter of C. G. Auer, Main Office.  
Dell Earl Erwin Davis, son of Tilden Davis, night brass finishing shop.

Right column reading down:  
Doris Evelyn Patterson, daughter of John Patterson, grinding room.  
Dorothy Gepford, daughter of F. R. Gepford of the Iron Foundry.  
Katheryn Mae Reinhart, daughter of Glenn Reinhart, Dept. 57.  
Robert H. Kuntz, son of Charles Kuntz, Assembly Dept.

Eight sons and daughters of Mueller employees were graduated from the Decatur High School in June, and their pictures appear herewith.

According to a custom of several years standing, the Mueller Co. opened a bank account for each graduate to the amount of ten dollars or in case any of them had a bank account, the sum of ten dollars was added to it.

The following letter was written to each of the graduates:

"We wish to congratulate you upon your graduation from High School. This a definite achievement which is no doubt a satisfaction to you and to your parents.

"We extend our good wishes and are ready to open a savings account for you in a Decatur bank that you may select or add it to your account if you already have one.

"Please let us know what is your wish in this matter."

Yours very truly,

MUELLER CO.

BY: E. H. Langdon  
Personnel Director.





## Circus Pony, Too



This is the daughter of Marshall Hobbs on her pony, and she is very proud and happy as any kiddy would be if astride of a pretty little pony, and one of the circus kind at that.

## DEATHS

## J. Bryan Gould

J. Bryan Gould of the Night Tool Room died of typhoid fever June 11, after an illness of two weeks.

Mr. Gould was employed here March 28, 1927. He came from Miami, Florida. He learned his trade and for a number of years was employed in the Wabash Shops at Decatur.

Mrs. Gould was ill with typhoid fever at the same time but she was able to overcome the disease and recovered. The Aid Society provided the only insurance that Mr. Gould carried.

## Thelma Week

Miss Thelma Week, 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Week of St. Louis, died in that city Friday night, June 24th, from burns sustained while lighting a gas range about five weeks ago. Miss Week was a niece of W. T. McClure of the Printing Dept. Mrs. McClure and little daughter, Doris Jean, have been in St. Louis for several days and attended the funeral of Miss Week, which was conducted in St. Louis Sunday afternoon.

## WEDDINGS

## Shaw Sisters Wed

Among the June weddings of the Mueller organization was the double wedding of the Shaw sisters, Dorothy and Eleanor, daughters of E. K. Shaw of the credit department. Miss Dorothy Shaw was united in marriage with Robert C. Hoffman and Miss Eleanor Shaw with Allan N. Zacher.

The weddings were celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, North Union street, on June 25th in the presence of relatives and friends. Rev. Lloyd V. Moffett of Indianapolis, formerly of Decatur, and intimate friend of the principals, was the officiating clergyman.

Miss Dorothy Wilson was maid of honor for Miss Eleanor Shaw, and Miss Dorothy Hambright was maid of honor for Miss Dorothy Shaw. Bridesmaids were Miss Esther Scranton and Mrs. Lloyd Moffett of Indianapolis. Mr. Hoffmann had as his best man Lawrence H. Jones of Chicago and J. E. Mann of St. Louis was best man for Mr. Zacher.

Miss Vashi Ziegler of Aurora sang "O Promise Me" and "At Dawning" before the ceremony, and a cousin of the brides, Miss Georgia Parrish, played "I Love You Truly" on the harp during the ceremony. An altar of green banked with lilies furnished the setting for the ceremony, and ferns and flowers were used throughout the house.

The brides were gowned alike in white georgette with long sleeves and veils.

Mr. and Mrs. Zacher went to Cass Lake, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman to The Dells, Wis., for their honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. Zacher will live in Iowa City and Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman in Chicago. All the principals in this double wedding were students together at the University of Illinois.



Left to right—  
Mr and Mrs. Robert C. Hoffman,  
Mr. and Mrs. Allan N. Zacher.



**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
of  
**THE EMPLOYEES AID SOCIETY**  
**April 28—June 28**

April 28—Cash Balance.....	\$1434.64	
<b>Receipts</b>		
Company's contribution.....		
May .....	\$ 50.00	
Company's contribution.....		
June .....	50.00	
Dues for May.....	975.10	
Dues for June .....	1055.75	2130.85
		<b>\$3565.49</b>
<b>Payments</b>		
Dr. Bachrach—services .....	\$ 10.00	
Dr. Chapin—services .....	5.00	
To refund dues .....	7.55	
Death benefits:		
Jay B. Gould.....	125.00	
C. C. Morris.....	125.00	
Sick and Accident benefits listed below .....	1704.93	1977.48
Cash balance .....		<b>\$1588.01</b>
<b>Resources</b>		
Bonds .....	\$4500.00	
Emergency Loan Fund .....	500.00	
Building and Loan Stock .....	800.00	
Cash .....	1588.01	
		<b>\$7388.01</b>

E. H. LANGDON, Treas.

George Anderson	E. C. Hawkins	4.80
\$ 7.00	Harry Wilson	1.80
C. E. Du Vall 21.50	W. Kostenski	3.30
Walter Drew 6.00	H. L. Ernest	8.40
Claude Flanders 9.60	Noah Taylor	5.40
	Harry R. Burton	29.50
Chester Baum 9.00	L. E. Kramer	27.00
T. L. Gillespie 9.00	Chas. Stewart	5.25
Wm. H. Coffman 16.20	Charles Ward	10.00
Henry Brown 56.00	E. F. Langley	43.80
G. Blankenburg	W. A. Hayes	9.00
Julius Shaw 18.00	C. E. Morton	4.80
32.50	Harry Darnell	3.60
Benton Fonner 98.40	Paul Gaddis	5.00
Elmer Baker 8.00	Walter Tucker	16.20
Anthony Grossman 50.20	E. Sanders	5.40
	Chas. Ruckelbeil	3.00
Floyd Walton 7.20	Lowell Mattison	24.90
John Hoots 10.00		
J. H. Cushman 12.50	J. A. Johnston	43.65
John Smith 3.00	L. B. Houseworth	2.25
O. E. Moore 1.80		
N. Alexander 3.60	H. R. Phillips	9.00
Wm. A. Brunner 7.50	Art Roper	5.25
	Bertie Hartwig	2.00
Louis Schario 61.20	Glenn Kelley	4.00
Orval Millhay 1.80	Arthur Vaughn	10.80
Earl Mohr 7.50		
F. F. Curry 32.40	E. J. Hawkins	17.40
Chas. Johnson 9.00	E. H. Kushmer	44.40
Dewey Franklin 9.00		
Matt Like 12.00	Dwight Seeley	8.40

Mrs. Ada Stalle 5.50	Esther Like	5.60
O. T. Brown 5.00	T. D. Powell	3.60
Margaret Wollard 10.00	W. L. Perkins	9.00
Mervil Curry 2.00	Jay B. Gould	15.00
Wm. F. Bainter 3.00	John McKinley	20.48
J. C. Kepner 2.25	J. A. Davey	20.25
D. L. Bailly 12.75	E. W. Bond	3.00
Chas. Earley 5.25	H. B. Mansfield	10.20
E. Buchanan 39.60		
J. H. Woodall 27.00	Floyd Moore	12.00
Jas. B. Ellis 30.15	T. E. Fisher	15.75
M. A. Hopper 21.00	J. W. Cress	22.50
Archie Sidwell 51.65	Geo. Carder	3.00
Oliver Webb 8.40	Ned A. Blakeman	21.90
Homer Aydelotte 5.40	Jas. Ashcroft	11.25
Jas. O. Eyer 13.80	Ollie Fortschneider	31.20
John Leavens 3.75		
Ed. D. Smith 68.10	Tom Hill	1.50
Mrs. May Taylor 11.60	Nell Greer	11.60
Wm. Burgess 62.20	F. H. Schultz	3.75
George Englard 9.00	C. P. Baker	3.75
Floyd Carr 8.40	J. L. Jolly	6.00
J. W. Workman 3.00	Mrs. Lacey	10.00
Leota Clapp 39.20	McDougal	25.50
Gay Blackstone 11.70	J. L. Tippet	9.00
L. T. Burres 24.60	Arthur J. Hill	3.00
Hugh Kerwood 18.25	Paul T. Burk	3.00
		<b>\$1704.93</b>

**BIRTHS**

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cash, June 30, a daughter. She has been named Imogene.

Virgil Sampson of the Polishing Department is the proud father of Ernest Eugene who arrived June 16.

Betty Lou is the name of a little girl born to Mr. and Mrs. John A. McCutcheon, June 8.

Jack Norman, little son of Henry Morey, our first aid man, now has a little sister, Norma Jean, who arrived June 3.

Jesse Moore of the Night Foundry makes the belated announcement of the arrival of Charles Emerson, January 22.



**OUCH!**

Friday, July first, a heavy rain storm accompanied by lightning broke just as the noon whistle blew, trapping a bunch of men and girls in the main entrance.

While waiting for a lull in the down pour there was a terrific peal of thunder and a sharp, crackling flash of lightning which caused several of the girls to jump and cry "ouch." Later it developed that they were fully justified in being startled.

The lightning struck the rod on the big smoke stack a short distance away, tearing it to pieces and knocking several bricks from the top of the smoke stack.

It also kicked out a few fuses and kept the electricians busy repairing them.

### Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baker



Elmer Baker of Department 30 and his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Dahner and daughter of Decatur spent a very pleasant vacation motoring. They visited various places in Michigan including the House of David at Benton Harbor, and the vineyards and lake region of Michigan.

Later they spent an interesting day at South Bend at Notre Dame University and at the Studebaker factory. Three hours were spent in going through this great plant and they saw the Studebaker cars in all the stages of manufacture. Of particular interest was the Company's museum in which were shown many old vehicles and some which were of much historic interest. There were carriages used by President Lincoln, by President Grant and by LaFayette. In fact the exhibit is a history of transportation.

In Chicago the party visited the stockyards and went through the plant of Armour and Company. Eighteen minutes after a hog was killed the carcass was in the refrigerator.

After these varied experiences in traveling the party went for a quiet week to Okaw. The river was so high that Frank Tompkins ferried them across the river in boats.

A ground hog which was indiscreet enough to leave the earth and climb a tree was caught by slipping a noose over his neck. With much work and some excitement Elmer managed to get the ground

hog to the Cabin and closed him up in a box. It is rarely that a ground hog can be caught alive and Elmer was planning to present a live specimen for the city Zoo at Fairview Park. The animal was fastened in a box and the ends closed with copper wire netting. During the night the ground hog cut a neat hole through the net and escaped.



### WEDDINGS

#### Moore-Cruikshank

The particulars of the marriage of Miss Frances Cruikshank, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Cruikshank to Allan F. Moore, Jr., of Monticello, were given in the June issue of the Record. The ceremony was held in the First Presbyterian church. This wedding was one of the notable society events of the year. After the reception at the Cruikshank home in West William Street, Mr. and Mrs. Moore left for New York and sailed for a trip abroad. They will be absent several months and upon their return will reside at Ottawa, Illinois, where Mr. Moore is engaged in the brick business.

#### Daniel-Gieske

Miss Ruth Daniel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Daniel, 61 Fairview Place, and Roland Gieske of Springfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Gieseke of that city, were married in the Daniel home in a 10:30 o'clock ceremony Tuesday morning by Rev. C. W. Flewelling, pastor of the Central Church of Christ.

The bride wore a white georgette gown and her bridesmaid, who is her cousin, Miss Dorothy Shaw, wore yellow georgette. Arthur Daniel, brother of the bride, was best man.

Miss Thelma Hill sang "I Love You Truly," and "At Dawning," and Miss Antoinette Yoder played the Lohengrin wedding march. Breakfast was served in the home at 11 o'clock, and Mr. and Mrs. Gieske left for a wedding trip.

The couple will be at home in about 10 days in their new home in Springfield. Mr. Gieseke is in the jewelry business there. Mrs. Gieseke is a member of Theta Gamma sorority at Millikin and was graduated from the University of Illinois.

#### Sheehan-Chepan

Miss Marguerite Sheehan and Mr. Herman Chepan were married at Springfield, May 14. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hartwig. The groom is employed in Dept. 30. Mr. and Mrs. Chepan will reside at the corner of Cleveland Ave. and Broadway.

### Core-Room Cut-Ups



Bill Adams and Greeley (Felix) Hodges, snapped by Katherine Barding. Bill and Felix are appreciated for their unfailing cheerfulness. Smiles and good nature are outstanding qualities. They make no special claim to fame, but Bill insists that he would never win a prize in a beauty show.

### SEASON AT OKAW OPENS

The season at the Okaw is now open. High water has delayed the outings but it now receding and makes the cabin accessible for campers. In celebration of the 4th of July the following enjoyed an outing there Sunday: Adolph Mueller, Robert Mueller, J. Sutcliffe, Paul Jacka, W. T. Mason and J. W. Wells. They were joined by Frank Tompkins and Roy Yarbrough, who reside near the cabin. The weather was fine and in addition to the good things taken to eat the party enjoyed apple pies and other delicacies sent over by Mrs. Tompkins.

### ANOTHER PARTY

A party of sixteen went to the Okaw to spend Sunday and Monday, July 3rd and 4th. Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eagleton, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stambaugh, Violet Blankenship, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pope, Kenneth Pope, Mr. and Mrs. John Davidson, Alice Davidson, Roy Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wise and W. T. Mason. Everyone returned very enthusiastic about the good time they had had

and the fishermen were well pleased with their catches.



### DEATHS

#### Frank B. Henkle.

Frank Henkle, metal pattern maker in Department 55, was killed by an automobile at the corner of Franklin and East Eldorado about 8:30 on the evening of Thursday, June 30. The accident was reported by The Decatur Herald as follows:

"The car which struck Mr. Henkle was operated by Paul E. Scammahorn, 729 North Monroe street.

"Henkle's chest was crushed and his head was badly cut. He was taken to the hospital in Moran's ambulance, but his injuries were too serious to permit recovery.

Mr. Scammahorn, a demonstrator for W. C. Starr & Sons, was driving south in Franklin street, and Mr. Henkle was walking east in Eldorado street. Scammahorn reported to the police that he waited at the Eldorado street boulevard for several cars to pass, and then proceeded on across the street.

"He said that he saw Mr. Henkle starting to cross the street, and when he sounded his horn Mr. Henkle stopped. When Mr. Scammahorn reached the south side of the street, he said Mr. Henkle stepped out again. Mr. Scammahorn, in an attempt to avoid striking Mr. Henkle, turned sharply to the east, and Mr. Henkle jumped east to avoid the car. Mr. Scammahorn then jerked the car to the right and Mr. Henkle jumped back again and was struck."

Frank Benson Henkle was born April 20, 1858 at Decatur. In April 1890 he began work for Hieronymus Mueller in his shop on East Main street. He continued with the Company until June 1906, when he went to Missouri on a mining venture. He returned in May, 1908, and resumed his work for the Mueller Co. His total service at the time of his death was thirty-five years and three months. The first fifteen years of this he worked in the Brass Finishing Shop and continued in the past twenty years as a metal pattern maker.

He was a faithful, steady workman, quiet and appreciated by his friends.

He was a charter member of the Goodman band, with which organization he played for many years. He was a member of Decatur Lodge No. 684, L. O. O. M., Macon Lodge No. 8, A. F. & A. M., Decatur camp No. 144, M. W. A. and the Employees' Aid Society.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Henkle, and two children, Benson Henkle and May E. Henkle, both living at home.



## WEDDINGS

## Irving-Mueller

The marriage of Miss Florence Mueller to John Hamilton Irving, Jr., was celebrated at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mueller, Port Huron, Mich., June 21st.

The groom is a resident of Seattle, Washington where the couple will reside. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Mueller. She was educated at St. Mary's of the Woods, near Terre Haute, and while most of her life has been spent in Sarnia, Canada, and Port Huron, Michigan, she is quite well known here in her old home of Decatur.

Mr. Irving is engaged in the manufacturing business at Seattle. The home of the couple will be 2028 Forty-Third Avenue, that city.

## Vanderhorf-Hippler

Miss Amy Vanderhorf of Newton, Illinois, and Ivo Hippler of Decatur were married at Newton, May 11, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father Tupton of St. Thomas Catholic church. The attendants were Miss Agnes Miller, cousin of the bride and George Hippler, brother of the groom.

The bride was attractively gowned in white silk crepe, trimmed with lace. She wore a wreath and carried a bridal bouquet of white roses. The groom is employed in Department 50. Mr. and Mrs. Hippler will live at 1375 East Decatur St.

## Clannin-Fisher

Miss Velma Clannin and Paul H. Fisher, of Peru, Ind., were married June 1 at the bride's home, 1039 N. Church St., Rev. I. Gibson officiating. Miss Ruth Blough was the bridesmaid and Frances Gibson, flower girl. The bride's gown was white satin crepe and she carried a shoulder boquet of pink roses and white sweet peas.

The ceremony was performed beneath a lattice arch decorated with roses. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher went to Tippacanoe Lake, Ind., on their wedding trip and will live at Mexico, Indiana.

## Porter-Ashenfeller

Miss Geneva Porter who has been a clerk in the main office surprised her friends by getting married to Paul J. Ashenfeller on Wednesday evening, June 15th. The wedding occurred in the parsonage of the First Methodist church in Springfield, Rev. Mr. Combs, pastor. They were accompanied by Mrs. E. W. Sabloney of Los Angeles, Cal., sister of the bride.

The bride, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Porter, 739 North Union street,

## Isn't He a Buster



This happens to be Robert Eugene McQuality, son of Cal McQuality of Dept. 21. Robert Eugene was born on Washington's birthday this year and was three and one-half months old when the photograph was taken.

has been employed as key punch clerk. Mr. Ashenfeller is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ashenfeller, 1624 North Main street, and is employed as a carpenter. They will make their home at 1624 North Main street.



## MADE AL SAD

A big crowd stood around a curiously constructed automobile outfit which parked opposite the main office one noon and listened to the music of three or four occupants of a platform on the rear of the vehicle. The music (or that which was intended for music) rose and fell like midnight caterwalling on the back yard fence. The leader announced that unable to obtain work he had organized his family into a band and was traveling about the country depending on collections from his audience for a living.

Al Bashore stood apart with traces of sadness in his face and a wistful look in his eyes.

"Whats the matter, Al," asked a friend. "Does it affect you that way?"

"It makes me think of the days when I was trooping," sighed Al.

Those who know Al remember that he used to tour the country with a band, and can understand his feelings.

Sympathy old top. Cheer up.

### The Silent Man



Mr. and Mrs. John Mertz. John is a turret lathe operator in Dept. 9, where he has been employed for many years. He received his 25-year pin last year and is now completing his 26th year with the company. Although he is a deaf mute, he is very alert and "hears" many things that those who do not know him would never suspect.

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MUELLER ATHLETIC ASS'N

Year Ending June 30, 1927

Balance on Hand July 1, 1926 .....	\$187.19
<b>Receipts:</b>	
Memberships, 258 .....	319.50
Dancing Club .....	633.20
Wrestling match, basketball tournament, etc.....	18.90
Receipts from "Little Clodhopper" .....	95.70
Total receipts .....	\$1,254.49
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Party boosting member-	

ship .....	\$ 8.40
Baseball equipment .....	36.70
Penants for men's baseball and girls' basket ball teams .....	35.00
Dancing Club expenses.....	577.88
Records for Athletic Club house .....	9.00
Films for noon-day movies .....	5.30
Balance of expense on C. G. A. Club parties .....	18.52
Material for "Little Clodhopper" .....	3.50
Expenses, watchman's service, cleaning of Athletic Club house and lodge for parties .....	13.26

	\$707.56
Cash to Dancing Club.....	25.00

Total Expenditures ..... \$ 732.56

Balance on Hand ..... \$ 521.93

J. M. WILKINS, Treas.

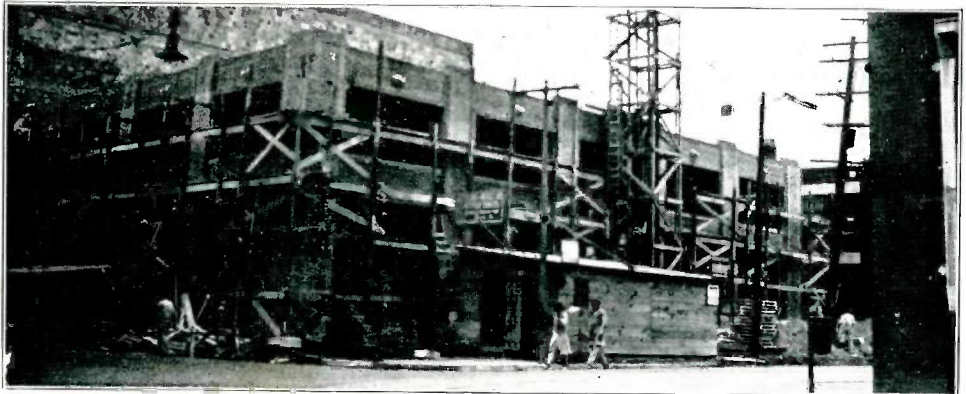
It has been the rule in the past to assess every one attending any party at the Mueller Athletic Club ten cents if not a member of the Athletic Club.

From Feb. 1st, 1926 to May 31, 1927, fees collected in this manner amounted to \$139.85. Watchman and cleaning service was paid from this fund.

The following tabulation shows this expenditure.

Fees paid by non-members.....	\$139.85
Expense watchman, cleaning, etc.....	142.64

Overdraft ..... \$ 2.79



### NEW BRANCH AT DALLAS

Here is a picture of our new branch at Dallas, Texas, which will now be completed in a few days and ready for occupancy.

Office supplies and goods are now on the way and we will soon be looking after bus-

iness in the southwest from the branch in Dallas.

Matt Trott has been there for several weeks looking after construction matters and paving the way for the opening.

It is a substantial, new brick building located at McKinney and Lamar Streets.