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## WELCOME, STUDENTS

Students of ward or high schools, colleges and universities are always welcome to the Mueller factory. Guides stand at open doors to meet and pilot these visitors through the various departments of the plant. Even the younger students find many things in the shops to excite their curiosity and stimulate their imagination.

Frequent deputations come from the University of Illinois and Millikin University during the school year, accompanied by their instructors and we are proud to entertain them because we are proud of our state university, its splendid faculty, its promising student body and the important place which the U. of I. holds in the scale of education activities of this country.

It is our belief that every manufacturer should throw open his doors to student visitors. We are only too glad to do it.

There are many things to engage attention in a big factory. Students are not all interested in the same thing.

Our laboratory appeals to many, the foundry to others, automatic machines to another, while still others get the principal benefit from business methods, advertising, shipping and transportation, etc.

Much that a factory visit offers comes within the lines of study being pursued by students, and therefore is a practical demonstration of their work.

Professors and students assure us that these journeys through our plant, and others as well, are of great benefit to them.

It is gratifying to us to know that even in this small way we are contributing something to the education of the younger generation.

And from whatever school or college they come, they will always find a welcome.

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## WORK

Don't bemoan your fate because you have to work. Bless it, for work is a blessing. Rich men with nothing to do are more often miserable than happy. Many of them have learned that bodily and mental inactivity are twin curses of humanity.

Fowler McCormack, heir to the McCormack millions, and grandson of John D. Rockefeller, at the age of 26 years, has already learned that riches do not give the real pleasure and satisfaction that life holds for man. He has donned overalls and jumper and gone to work as a day laborer in the McCormack plant at Milwaukee. His duties consist of pushing truck loads of iron about the plant. And he says he likes it. At night he goes to bed at 8 o'clock tired enough to enjoy and appreciate the joy of a good night's sleep and arises in the morning refreshed and with the knowledge that he has something to engage his attention during the day.

All of which is much more healthful and ennobling than jazz dancing all night, arising at noon and wearying his right arm all afternoon carrying a cane up and down the avenue.

His grandfather may be one of the richest men in the world but mixed with his dollars is a generous allotment of hard, practical, common-sense. Some of this still lingers in the blood of the third generation.

Fowler McCormack is not unusual in the course he is pursuing.

Despite distracting and alluring influences which beset every young man of wealth, a fair proportion at least are learning that real happiness and contentment lie in being employed in some real constructive and productive effort.

It's a healthful sign.

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## SUSTAINING A REPUTATION

The scrap heap of human flotsam and jetsam, says The Kalends, is largely composed of those who attained a certain measure of success and then lost all by yielding to the common fallacy that a goal attained is the end of the journey. Instead, continues the writer, of regarding the attainment of a goal as a momentary resting place for gathering strength for renewed effort.

Those men who think they have arrived soon find themselves bowled out of the way by men who feel that a success realized is but an opportunity to reach a higher level.

And, continues this writer:

"For those whose aim is to do good and lasting work there is no end to the effort to better what they already have accomplished. The first success, be one a tiller of the soil, a craftsman, or a scientist, is simply an indication that he has learned the use of the tools of his vocation. Should a little applause or well meant praise cause a man to believe that he is a master, then the chances are that his days of usefulness are nearly over. No matter how great the success of today may be, it provides no sure support for tomorrow unless buttressed by efforts as great as those which achieved the success of yesterday.

"To rest upon one's past laurels is but an open confession that the end of one's abilities has been reached. The world of action and affairs turns quickly away from those who thus admit that they are done. To be content to rest upon the success of any ask, whether great or small, is in itself an admission of lack of ability to perform a greater."



#### BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

We have frequently heard members of this Company express the thought that business would afford no pleasure or satisfaction if it did not take into account the welfare, benefit and advantage to all concerned. Along this line the following statement from a speech recently delivered in Chicago by Richard F. Grant, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, is interesting:

"Business and professional men are such because they have the ability to measure economic facts and reach conclusions. However, our principal difficulty has been with the business and professional man himself. He has been a tremendous asset to himself and an almost total loss to the country.

"However, among business men generally there is a rising tide of conviction that business does not exist for itself alone, but is an institution which should serve the common lot and inspire men to give the best that is in them for the common good."



American (in London): "Say, waiter, doesn't anybody ever laugh in this hotel?"

Waiter: "Well, yes, sir, we have had complaints."

#### RECENT CHANGES

There is so much going on at the plant these days that no one has the time to write it up for the Record. However, our news would be incomplete if we did not mention such important happenings as moving the Galvanizing and Service Clamp Departments to plant No. 8 on East Eldorado street. This work began the last week in March and kept the Traffic Department, Department 57, and plant No. 8 more than busy while it lasted.

The women's rest room in the Brass Shop will be torn out. Their new quarters will be placed in the south end of the Assembly Department.

The First Aid room will be equipped in a location near this.

The new offices on the second floor in the building adjoining the Main Office have just been finished and were occupied the first week in April. The Superintendent's office is the first room on the left. Next to him is the Paymaster, then the Traffic Department has two rooms, the Purchasing Department two rooms, the Advertising Department has an office, press room and considerable storage space for stationery and catalogs.

On the right will be the Employment Department with a waiting room, conference room and office. Adjoining this will be a Library which will be provided with books and magazines, and will be open during the noon hour and afternoon to employees. Next west will be the office of the Up-Keep Stock Department, in charge of James Thorpe.

These offices are separated by a 7 foot partitions, the upper half of which is glass. Thus, the activities of the various rooms may be easily observed and still a measure of privacy be maintained.

A new Chuse engine with direct current dynamo has been installed in the Power House.



#### HAVE YOU MOVED?

If so, did you send your new address to the Employment Office for record? This is an advantage to you, as well as to the Company. Just give your new address and the number of the telephone that will reach you to the Department Clerk and ask him to send it to the Employment Office. Thank you!



#### REPORT ABSENCE PROMPTLY

We are glad to note that there has been some improvement in the matter of reporting absences. This is probably due to the attention that Bob Harris gives to those who are not here who fail to report.

For the sake of the new men, we emphasize once more the necessity of reporting promptly in case you cannot come to work. Call M-160.



### EMPLOYEES' AID SOCIETY GIVES \$200 TO TORNADO SUFFERERS

At the suggestion of a number of members a special meeting of the Employees' Aid Society was called at 12:30 Friday, March 20. Everyone seemed to feel that the Society should send some help to the sufferers of the tornado of Southern Illinois. After some discussion, it was decided to appropriate \$200 of the \$1,200 allowed for charitable causes for this emergency, and the treasurer was instructed to remit that amount at once to the Millikin Bank.

Accordingly, a check for \$200 was sent to the Millikin Bank, from where it was turned over to the Red Cross for administration.

It is understood that the Company is soon to increase its subscription from \$50 to \$100 a month and that the money thus received from the Company is to be appropriated for charitable causes.



### VISITS THE EAST

Mr. Adolph Mueller made a business trip east early in March, going first to Baltimore where he spent a few days. From there he went to Washington, D. C., where he attended a meeting of the National Brass Manufacturers Association. The remainder of the time was devoted to visiting the New York branch where he met the eastern salesmen.

### The Busy Wells



J. W. Wells, the Office Manager, didn't know it but the fiend with the camera took his picture as he sat at his desk dictating to Mildred Hill. As the Private Secretary of the Company and the Office Manager, Mr. Wells can beat the busy bee in every particular except its stinger—J. W. has no stinger to repulse people who interrupt him at his labor. He is hard boiled in endurance and long patient suffering. He listens to tales of woe, offers words of consolation or advice and smooths out the little rough spots that occasionally crop out in an office of seventy or eighty people. It's no soft snap to be the office manager, but just the same there are lots of times when J. W. is looking sad and dejected that he is inwardly having a good time because he has a very well developed sense of humor.

# Plenty of Kindling

## *\$2.00 a Load Delivered*

Leave orders at Employment Office. One dollar for hauling should be deposited with the order. The other dollar may come from pay check.

**MUELLER CO.**

The Mueller Fountain and Fixture Co. has small shop kindling at \$2.50 a load.



# Safety News



## CONSIDER YOUR EYES

Your eyes are the most delicate part of your body, yet they work practically all the time you are awake.

"You can't be optimistic with misty optics," said someone whose name we can't remember. Poor eyesight not only takes a lot of the pleasure out of life but it is also a frequent cause of accidents.

Headache, neuralgia, nervousness, indigestion, dizziness and "that tired feeling" are often caused by eye trouble.

Properly fitted glasses will often correct near sightedness, far sightedness and astigmatism. You can't get them at a ten cent store. Go to a reliable eye specialist, one who is interested in finding out what is wrong with you rather than in selling you a pair of glasses.

If your doctor advises glasses, get them—and use them.

But glasses won't make up for abuse of the eyes.

In reading or writing let the light fall over your left shoulder.

Use ample agreeable light. Glaring lights or dim lights tire the eyes.

Hold the reading matter about 14 inches from the eyes.

Small or blurred print tires the eyes if read for too long a time.

Closing the eyes frequently rests them.

Your eyes are human. If you tire them they will tire you.



## THE SAFETY VALVE

### Safe in the Arms of the Law

Ultra modern girl (phoning home at 3 a. m.): "Don't worry about me, mother, I'm all right. I'm in jail."

### Why Safety Campaigns Are Needed

A man is a creature who can spot a shapeless ankle three blocks away while driving an automobile in a crowded city street but who will fail to notice in the open country a locomotive as big as a school house accompanied by a flock of 40 box cars.

Usually a hard guy has only a lot of crust.

### Well Known Saps

Maple—

—ulpa, Okla.

The fellow who touches a fallen electric



The Original Practical Joker.

power wire to see if it was hot before picking it up.

What's the use of having the right of way if the other fellow don't know it?

### Some Hygienic Sinners

1. The waitress who carried a napkin under her arm and wipes your plate with it.
2. The fruit stand merchant who breathes on your apple and polishes it with his sleeve before giving it to you.
3. The thoughtless spitter, cougher and sneezer.
4. The cook who tastes from the pot and stirs with the same spoon.
5. The roller towel.
6. The public drinking cup (fortunately becoming scarcer.)

Where ignorance is blister, a little knowledge prevents infection.

The voice of spring—"At-choo!"

There's no romance in courting disaster. Self starters take a lot of kick out of motoring.

## HOMES ON ELM STREET



Many Mueller employees have learned the ways of thrift and have acquired beautiful homes. Here is an instance of three pretty homes on one block, and the owners are employed in the factory. These homes are on Elm street. In the left corner is the home of Louis Wallenbroch, 875 Elm street; in the right corner the home of Rudolph Johnson, 860 Elm street; in the center the home of William Kuntz, 842 Elm street. These men are all tool makers in the same department, and good neighbors and radio bugs, of course.

Mr. Robert Mueller had a birthday at Geneva, Switzerland. It makes no difference how old he is—he's young enough to roam about Europe and have a good time, and his friends in the factory are glad it is so.

His birthday comes on the 27th of the month and the Foremen's Club sent him this cable:

Robert Mueller,  
Homeric Overland Tour B  
Care Cook Geneva

Congratulations on your first birthday abroad. You've been born again to new pleasures. Your friends hope you enjoy them. Robert second salutes his roving grandpa.

Foremen's Club.



### MEET IN DECATUR

Through the efforts of the Company the American Society of Sanitary Engineers will meet here September 15 to 18.

This is to be a national convention. The invitation was extended through the Association of Commerce. Lucien W. Mueller has been named chairman of the local convention committee.



### EXTENDING ON THE OKAW

The Decatur Deview of March 27 announced that Adolph Mueller had purchased the William Jones farm of 780 acres in Pope township, near Vandalia. The land was sold at the J. L. Barnes bankrupt sale. It is well improved and has a 12 room house. About 300 acres are under cultivation.

### Meet the Atheys



Mr. Virgil Athey and bride. Virgil is employed at Plant No. 8, but is a part of the organization and well known in the main plant



## THE PLAY ITSELF

## Was Not So Good as the Comedy Enacted in the Parquet

Clifford Gillibrand of the Engineering Department, and Mrs. Gillibrand took advantage of a good show at the Empress one Sunday night recently and would have had a perfect evening had the show been less crowded. Upon reaching the show they found that all the seats were taken except a few single ones which were somewhat scattered.

After talking the seating question over they decided to part company, each taking a single seat some distance apart. All was well for a short time until some seats were vacated around Mrs. Gillibrand. She then stopped the usher who had shown them to their seats a short time before and asked him if he remembered the tall blonde fellow she came in with, and if he remembered where he had been seated. The usher was sure he did and would be delighted to bring him to her. All seemed to be working lovely except for Tony Stiller (also of the Engineering Department) who happened to be the tall blonde the usher picked out. Tony said afterwards he thought sure he was pinched for something when the usher shook his arm and said come with me. However, Tony followed, expecting the worst, when the usher stopped him before an empty seat beside a young lady and said, "Lady, is this the gentleman you want?" The usher, not waiting for the verdict, vanished, leaving Tony standing there. Tony, thinking it probably a lady friend of his, sat down beside her, just sure everything was all right. However, the complications of stares that followed (or pair of stares, as Tony put it) was somewhat annoying.

Tony, thinking there must be some mistake, finally got up and beat it. Thus the drama would have ended, no one knowing the difference except Mr. and Mrs. Gillibrand and Tony (Mrs. Gillibrand, of course, told her husband about the strange man), but Tony the next day, after a little business talk with Gillie, had to tell about the strange happening of the night before. Of course, Tony couldn't understand, after his strange story about the strange woman, why Gillie couldn't stop laughing for about five minutes. However, Tony took over the title of the Department Sheik.

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Persian: "Your hat's very becoming to you, dear."

Maltese: "The new styles almost cover one's face."

Persian: "Your hat's awfully becoming to you, dear."

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It always sounds funny to us to hear a woman ask to see some invisible hairnets.

## TWO BIG CONVENTIONS

## Water Works Men Meet at Louisville—Plumbers at Portland

The first big convention of the year which we will attend is that of the American Water Works Association to be held in Louisville, Ky., April 27—March 2, with headquarters at the Browns Hotel.

This is a convention of importance to practically every city in the United States because it brings together the best that there is in brains in engineering practice in the water works field. It also brings together the best managerial brains in that field. It is true that in assemblies of this character new thought and new practices are developed for the advancement of all water works.

We will make a display of Mueller water-works products which will include the copper service pipe fittings. These will be tested in the presence of water works engineers to show their strength and serviceability.

Messrs. Fred and Oscar B. Mueller will head our delegation and the remainder of our party will consist of Messrs. J. H. McCormick, J. D. McGaully, W. R. James, R. E. Kirchner and W. B. Ford.

## The Plumbers

The next important convention will be the National Master Plumbers' Association at Portland, Oregon, which meets from June 22 to June 26. Like the water works convention, this will bring together the best thinkers and workers in the plumbing industry. It promises to be a very successful convention. From New York, Chicago, Cincinnati and other central points special trains are being arranged for this convention. These will be private trains and subject to the arrangements of various local committees. Under this plan some very elaborate arrangements are being made for an extensive tour of the west which will include all the principal cities and natural and National Parks. Some of these parties are arranging to extend this journey over a period of three to four weeks.

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Izzy Right avows that if wives only knew what stenographers think of their husbands, they would cease to worry.

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Ah, well—boys—I'm dying—it's all up. When I'm gone—tell Tilly my last words—my last thoughts—were of her. And Ethel—tell Ethel—the same—thing.

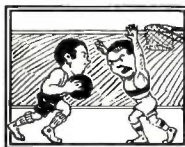
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One of the luckiest things that can happen to a man who is trying to climb to success is to fall into fortune.

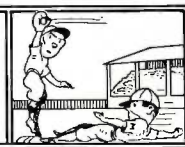
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"Is this the weather bureau? How about a shower tonight?"

"Don't ask me, if you need one, take it."



# Athletics



## MUELLER BASKETBALL TOURNEY AT MUELLER GYMNASIUM March 17-26, 1925

### Tuesday, March 17th

Decatur Social Athletic Club vs. K. of C. 44-9.  
Decatur Roters vs. Empress Theatre Ushers, 28-13.  
Spark Plugs vs. Decatur Indees, 42-39.

### Wednesday, March 18th

P. D. Q. vs. First C's, 32-29.  
S. A. E. vs. St. James, 41-17.  
Ray Clothiers vs. T. K. E. 29-24.

### Thursday, March 19th

Mueller vs. Sea Hawks, 51-15.  
Linn & Scruggs vs. Lincoln Sq. Theatre Ushers, 30-19.  
Decatur Falcons vs. Lyons, 26-25.

### Friday, March 20th

Bull Dogs forfeited the game to the Tigers, 2-0.  
Decatur Social Athletic Club vs. Roters, 22-12.  
Spark Plugs vs. P. D. Q. 53-18.

### Monday, March 23rd

S. A. E. vs. Ray Clothiers, 32-24.  
Mueller vs. Linn & Scruggs, 41-23.  
Falcons vs. Tigers, 29-26.

### Wednesday, March 25th

Spark Plugs vs. Social, 28-23.  
S. A. E. vs. Mueller, 31-22.  
Spark Plugs vs. Falcons, 39-20.

### Thursday, March 26th.

S. A. E. vs. Spark Plugs, 30-22.  
Consolation game, Mueller vs. Falcons, 28-20.



### PEPSINS BEAT US

In the Independent basketball tournament at Monticello our team did not get very far. A telegram regarding the tourney, says:

"The second contest saw two of the best teams in the meet clash. The Syrup Pepsin quintet, of Monticello, eliminating the Mueller cagers, of Decatur, by taking a 28 to 20 decision from the visitors. Deland was hitting the basket with regularity and his play- ing accounted largely for the Pepsin win.



### BOXING TOURNAMENT

Physical Instructor Cranston is working up interest in a boxing tournament which he

expects to stage in May. He gives over Wednesday evenings to instruction and Tuesday and Friday nights boxing bouts are held.

Among the enthusiasts who are participating are:

Sam Lansford vs. Fred Wright.  
Linn O'Daffer vs. Mark Clements.  
Everett Marquis vs. Jerry McLellen.  
Sam Lansford vs. Linn O'Daffer.  
Joe Wall vs. Marvin Baum.  
Sam Lansford vs. Jack Brady.  
Dearl Moomey vs. Marvin Baum.  
Carl Gates vs. Jimmy Maroney.

Tex Rickard is going to have a real contender for managerial honors.



### NIGHTLY DOZEN

The night men can now take their daily dozen with those who sleep o' nights.

In accordance with requests of many night workers the company has arranged to have the gymnasium open each morning from 4 to 6:30.

This arrangement begins next Tuesday morning.

The man in charge will represent Physical Director Cranston and be responsible to him.



### GONE TO EUROPE

On Thursday, April 2, Mrs. Rost prepared a special dinner as a compliment to W. E. Mueller and J. W. Simpson who were completing their final preparations for a trip to Europe. At each place was found a package and this package contained a gift for the travelers. Following the meal there was a great deal of merriment created not only by the character of the gifts but by the remarks which went with them.

Everett and Billy left Saturday noon for New York City. They sailed Tuesday, April 7, on the S. S. Resolute. They will be absent two months and during that time will travel in France, Germany, England and other European countries, returning to America the latter part of May.



People who would spend their life in the pursuit of money should get jobs as bill collectors.



The belle of the choir loved the bass, but she married the tenor because he was more high toned.



## SHOW WORTH OF ALLIED PLANTS

## Company Adds 362 Men to Payroll Through Diversified Industry

Right here at home is to be found one convincing example of the advantage of diversified industries to a city.

In the past three months the Mueller Co. has added 362 employees to its payroll, enough to man a good sized factory themselves. The gain is distributed fairly evenly through the various departments.

"We couldn't have done it without the Mueller Iron Foundry Co.," said Adolph Mueller last week. "The increase in business which made the added production necessary we attribute largely to our change in policy and our national advertising campaign. But we would have been unable to get the materials to supply our manufacturing departments had it not been for the separate concern, known as the iron foundry company.

"Not only did we profit by our purchase of goods from that company, but it grew and prospered. It employed 45 men last December 1. Now it has 71 men on its payroll. Where it was pouring 3¼ tons daily of iron last April, it now is turning out 10 and 11 tons a day. The Mueller Co. absorbed the great proportion of its products. The iron foundry company is located in one end of the long building and the Mueller Co. maintains a department in the other end to make the cast iron pieces into Mueller products. That's co-ordination of industry.

"That example just proves what can be done through diversified industry co-ordinated so that all can work together, instead of constantly fighting each other. Everybody profits by such a plan, where someone has to suffer where cut-throat competition is substituted. Rockford has become a great industrial center through the plan of diversification. It can be done here too."—Decatur Herald.



James Cox of the Foundry was laid up for three weeks with the "flu."

Ester Like went home with the "flu" and this was followed by the measles.

A. T. Spencer, Department 57, was laid up ten days with a sprained wrist. He slipped on the cellar steps at his home.

Ray Laughlin of the Core Department returned for work the third week in March.

Gid Massengill, who suffered a broken jaw when the sledge hammer flew off the handle has returned to work. Gid probably will not order soup for some time to come.

## ROCKFORD BRASS CO.

## Bunch of Live Wires Visit Mueller Factory

Among the delegates recently entertained at the factory was the one from the Rockford Brass Company, and they were as fine a bunch of good fellows as we have had the pleasures of meeting in a long time. They drove down from Rockford on Sunday, April 4, and went to the Mueller Lodge where preparations had been made to entertain them. Members and representatives of the Company mingled with them during the evening and left them to enjoy the pleasure of a night's rest in the woods on the bank of Lake Decatur.

Monday the party came to the factory and spent the day going through the different departments inspecting manufacturing methods and meeting men in the organization with whom they were either brought in contact or in correspondence with on business matters.

The visitors had the usual shock of surprise at finding the Mueller factory covering practically five city blocks. They were impressed by the volume of goods in course of manufacture and with the systematic methods with which the product is handled.

These gentlemen joined us at lunch at the Noonday Club and followed another session of sight-seeing about the factory, they returned to the Club House at 5 o'clock to a fine dinner. This was followed by a little social session at the Club House and the party was afterwards driven back to the Lodge where they spent an evening with Mueller representatives and remained over night, leaving on Tuesday morning for their homes in Rockford.

It was a pleasure, indeed, to entertain the representatives of this company. They were a bunch of good, live, hustling young business men and with their understanding of the Brass Goods game backed up by their aggressive policies we are quite certain that the Rockford Brass Co. has a bright future ahead.



Village—Three hot dog stands and two stores.



Some people are always prominent at fires and funerals.



A stitch in time may save many from going blind.



Prosperity, says Joe Bean, is something that we all expect the following year.

## SAFETY FIRST

At the noon day meeting recently Mr. Langdon was descanting on his favorite topic of safety. Mr. Langdon is very much wrapped up in this subject and is sincerely trying to put over propaganda which will be of real benefit to the employees. He was talking on some special rules to apply to the different departments, and among these rules was one to keep your mind on your business. Mr. Langdon was following his own advice literally, but not having anything special for his hands to do at that particular moment, he reached behind him, put one of his hands on a glass of water and upset the water on the table. In the midst of good natured laughter, he disregarded all safety precautions and in some slight confusion raised himself on tip-toes and sat down squarely in the puddle on the table. Whether it was the sudden contact with the water or whether he remembered his safety first too late, he lost no time in getting out of the mess, and to prove that he did have his mind on his business he continued with his talk with more earnestness than before, which certainly bespeaks for him great mental concentration. Generally, when a man sits down in a puddle of water it is a difficult matter to think of anything else other than the recent liquid contact.



## LONGING

Poppy cups bestar the hills,  
Verdant in their coats of green;  
And the gardens in between  
Are bright with yellow daffodils.  
In the canyons, tiny rills  
Mirror heaven's cerulean sheen,  
On the boughs the linnets preen  
Over all the sunlight spills.

How we long on days like these  
To escape the city's thrall,  
Cast our burdens to the breeze;  
Seek the open road and sing  
Bless these harbingers of spring.



## Listen!

Three gentlemen from Wales walked into a Manchester establishment and asked for three glasses of port. They drank it and snacked their lips.

Said the first: "That's the finest glass of port I neffer tasted."

Said the second: "So did I also."

Said the third: "Neither did I too."



## Looks Like It; Tastes Like It

Vulgar Customer (disgustedly): "Hi, waiter, what d'you call this stuff?"

Waiter: "That ver' good soup—Creme Reine."

"I can taste the rain all right, but the cook's forgot the cream."

## A Jolly Time



There is great fun for the girls at Mueller Lodge. They "camp out" in the house where they have all the comforts of home, and none of the little discomforts and inconveniences which cannot be entirely avoided in outdoor life. This group of core room girls certainly did not overlook anything in the way of fun when they had a party at the lodge. In the upper panel are Misses Emma Musser and Katie Wenger, and in the lower panel Misses Emma Musser, Ruby Snyder, Ruth Manion, Pearl Evans, Katie Wenger and Alberta Osterloch.

"How did the accident happen?" the judge asked the pedestrian who had been hit by an intoxicated motorist. "Didn't you try to dodge?"

"Yes, your honor," replied the victim, "but how was I to know he was loaded?"

## A Safety Slogan for This Month

Make  
Accidents  
Rare by  
Careful  
Habits

## OSCAR SMOKES UP

Expresses Appreciation of Cigars Sent Him  
On Birthday

It's a custom of the Foremen's Club to send flowers to members of the Company on their birthdays. March 25th was Mr. Oscar's birthday, and it found him at his winter home at Bradentown. Florida has one thing in greater profusion than flowers—the same being real estate promoters. Sundry flowers to a man in Florida is just about equal to sending an Esquimaux a cake of ice. Therefore the program was changed and a box of fine cigars was sent to Oscar.

The following letter has just been received from him in acknowledgment of the gift:  
Foremen's Club,  
Mueller Co.,  
Decatur, Ill.

(Attention: C. N. Wagenseller)

My Dear Charlie:

Not knowing who the secretary is of the Foremen's Club at the Decatur plant, therefore this letter to you, which I would thank you to bring to their attention.

On my birthday, March 25th, while in Bradentown, Florida, there was delivered to me a box of "Webster Superiors" cigars. They sure came in mighty handy, as I was just about out of the usual brand which I carried with me.

While up to the present moment I have not received any letter pertaining to these cigars, I can naturally visualize the usual letter that has accompanied same in the past, and that the letter contains congratulations upon my birthday.

The cigars were most acceptable, and very gratifying to me; in fact, the entire family seemed to enjoy my having received same.

While flowers are always very beautiful and acceptable, the flowers of tobacco are far more lasting.

Thanking all the boys for their kind remembrance, I remain,

Yours very truly,

O. B. Mueller.



"Your predecessor," said the traveling salesman's new employer, "has got his business all tangled up, and I expect you will have a difficult task to get order out of chaos."

"I don't know who Chaos is," replied the new man cheerfully, "but I bet I'll get an order out of him if I have to hang onto him for a week."



Teacher: "In what battle did Gen. Wolfe, when hearing of victory, cry, 'I die happy?'"  
Johnny: "I think it was his last battle."

## Bury 'Em Deep



Since Ollie of the Stationary Department assumed domestic responsibilities, she has been cultivating flowers. Of course, no little love nest would be complete without a row of sweet peas. Ollie consulted authorities on planting these beautiful flowers. Some one told her to bury the seed deep. The cartoonist caught her in the flower garden as she was carrying out the advice. Ollie says the whole thing is an exaggeration and that she's sure the trench was not over 24 inches deep.

## Flying Start

An old yokel saw a motor-car for the first time in his life. It came dashing up the main street, and disappeared in a cloud of dust.

"Well," said the yokel, "the horses must ha' bin goin' a good speed when they got loose from that carriage."



A red-headed Irish boy once applied for a position in a messenger office. The manager, after hiring him, sent him on an errand in one of the most fashionable districts. Half an hour later the manager was called to the phone and the following conversation took place:

"Have you a red-headed boy working for you?"

"Yes."

"Well, this is the janitor at the Oakland Apartments, where your boy came to deliver a message. He insisted on coming in the front way and was so persistent that I was forced to draw a gun."

"Horrors! You didn't shoot him, did you?"

No, but I want my gun back."





# Leisure Hours



## FOREMEN'S SOCIAL SESSION

### Merry Time at the Club House at the March Meeting

The Foremen's Club had a social session at the Club House on March 26. There was a good attendance of members accompanied by their wives. All formal barriers were broken down and the evening was a jolly one.

A splendid dinner was served in the Cafeteria at 6:30 and at 7 o'clock the company assembled in the gymnasium, where there was great fun and hilarity accompanying the following program of stunts:

Song—America.

Hike to the Okaw.

Initiation of new members.

Poison Ivy Scramble—Winner, Billy Campbell.

Jockey race—Winners, Blue Lusk, Barney Marty and Bert Jackson.

Final—Blue Lusk.

Chamber Maid race.

Golf—Okaw vs. Wako—Adolph Mueller.

Pathe-tic News—1 Reel.

Song—Illinois.

A few remarks by the Boss.

Fording the Okaw—Mr. and Mrs. Press Rauthauff.

Farmer in the Dell—Frank Nells.

Limping home on 3 cylinders—Bill Banty.

The names of the winners in such events as could be determined are given above. Some of them were group contests. Individual contests created wild merriment. "Kiddy cars" were provided as horses and the heavy weight contestants raced for the farthest end of the hall. In this race Bert Jackson could not appear in the finals. He had a "ripping" experience in the race he won and good taste necessitated his backing out of the room and seeking his home under cover of darkness. Good thing he had another pair or he could not have worked Friday.

Another wild feature was "the Farmer in the Dell." Contestants were provided with toy wheel barrows and each moved a pile of six potatoes, one at a time from one point to another. Frank Nells was the winner.

Some of the other contests were equally amusing. The success of the evening's entertainment which was entitled "A Night on the Okaw," was due the planning of the committee, composed of Matt Trott,

president of the Foremen's Club; H. C. Cameron, W. E. Behrns, O. C. Draper, and that arch conspirator, C. G. Auer.



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pease entertained their friends at the Mueller Lodge the evening of March 16 in honor of their daughters, Frances and Eleanor, who were here on a visit from Chicago.



A pot-luck supper was served and the evening was spent very enjoyably in dancing. There were about twenty-five couples present. The orchestra was composed of members of Goodman band and Empress orchestra. There were musicians from several well known orchestras there and the music was splendid.



Features of the evening were a solo by Mrs. Bernice Otto and also a solo played on a saw by Mr. Fred Martin.



On the evening of March 5th, Marjorie Smeather entertained a number of friends at a Five Hundred party. Three tables were at play, and the decorations were in keeping with St. Patrick's Day. First prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pope, and prizes for the lowest scores went to Mrs. Wm. Brannan and Mr. Alfred Christy.



The dance given by the Mueller Employees Dancing Club on March 14th was well attended. About 150 couples were present and danced to the music of Earl Voyle's orchestra.

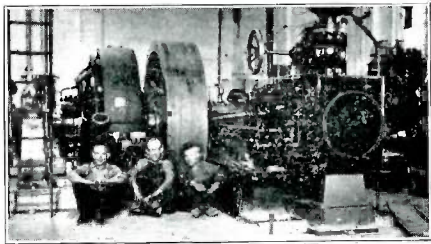


About thirty couples danced to the music of Lee Homebrook's orchestra on March 23, in honor of Mrs. Ben Colbeck's birthday. For those who did not dance, several tables of cards were played, and everyone seemed to be thoroughly enjoying the party, and expressed themselves as having done so.



The Mueller Employees' Dancing Club had a Hard Time dance Saturday night, March 28th. White shirts, white collars, neckties, pressed trousers, rough, good or shined shoes, jewelry, or anything that had the appearance of prosperity were barred and all

### New Engine



This new Chuse Engine and dynamo has just been installed. It will furnish direct current to the Nickle Plating and Polishing Department. Engineer Bill Ferre and two Chuse Engine employes are nestled under the fly wheel talking about her—the engine.

violaters were fined 25 cents for each offense. Several good costumes were in evidence and Miss Margaret Marcott was awarded the \$5.00 prize for having the best costume for the ladies, and Mr. Earl Eagle-ton won the prize for the men.

The next time your umbrella blows wrong side out, take it to Mr. Adolph Mueller for repairing. He has a full array of tools for mending umbrellas which he brought to the hard time dance, and which consist of a brace and bit.

Gwendol: "Why do they call boats 'she'?"  
Gordon: "Because they make a better showing in the wind."

Let us thank Mr. Wrigly. If it were not for chewing gum, lots of people we know would never get any exercise at all.

"I should think you'd be ashamed to show your face in such a bathing suit."

"Don't worry, darling, people won't look at my face."

He: "There's no use talking, women are not game."

She: "Well, they're certainly hunted enough."

"What is a cure for seasickness?"  
"Give it up."

Rastus was looking for work and the employer was asking him the usual questions:

"What's your name?"

"Erastus Johnson, suh."

"How old are you?"

"Ah's 29 yeahs, suh."

"Are you married?"

"No, suh. Dat scar on ma head is where a mule done kicked me."

### DIFFERENCE IN MEN

#### Three Brothers Illustrate the Value of Service

It's just human nature for one man to think that he is as good as another and worth just as much in salary. Looking through prejudiced eyes he is utterly at a loss to understand why this is not true. But there is a very good reason.

Here is a story that illustrates the point.

Three brothers left the farm and got jobs. Six months later one got \$100, another \$200 and another \$500 per month.

The father of the brothers called on their employer to ascertain why one son was not worth as much as the other.

"I will let them explain for themselves," said the boss, as he pressed a button under his desk.

Jim, the lowest paid man of the three, answered.

"I understand the Oceanic has just docked," said the employer. "Please go down there and get an inventory of her cargo."

Three minutes later Jim was back in the office.

"She carries a cargo of 2000 seal skins," reported Jim. "I got the information from the first mate over the telephone."

He pressed the button again, and Frank, the \$200 man, reported.

"Frank, I wish you would go down to the dock and get an inventory of the Oceanic's cargo."

An hour later Frank was back with a list showing that the Oceanic not only carried 2000 seal skins, but that she also had 500 beaver and 1100 mink pelts.

The employer pressed the button a third time and George, the \$500 man, walked into the office.

He was given the same instructions his brothers had received.

George did not return for three hours, and the office had closed for the day, but his father and the boss were waiting for him.

"The Oceanic carries 2000 seal skins," he began. "They are offered at \$5 each, so I took a two-day option on them, and I have wired a prospect in St. Louis, offering them to him at \$7. I expect to have his order tomorrow. I also found 500 beaver, which I sold over the telephone at a profit of \$700. The mink pelts are of poor quality so I didn't try to do anything with them."

"That's fine, Gerrge," said the boss.

Then when he had gone, the employer turned to the father and smiled.

"You probably noticed," he said, "that Jim doesn't do as he's told, Frank does as he's told, while George does without being told." —The Sabean.

## I KNOW A MAN

Chelsla C. Sherlock in Better Homes  
and Gardens

He is a hard worker, for he has a job that he loves. Needless to say, his family is happy, contented, healthy. When he comes home at night, Ted and Julia, the two youngsters, are watching down at the corner. With shouts of welcome they "hop" the running board as he slows down the old bus, and ride up the block and into the driveway, their laughter and bawling heard above the roar of exhaust and the squeal of brakes. When he climbs out they attack by flank and front, until, overwhelmed, he capitulates and laughingly disgorges the gum or candy always found in his pockets.

In a few minutes he comes out of the door again, his grateful homage having been paid to her who has stood at his side thru defeat, anguish and death—in shadow and storm—as willingly as now. His collar is loosened, his sturdy black hair aglow, a strange contentment on his care-lined face. He wanders about in his flower beds and around his lawn, drinking in the beauty which he has helped to create with his busy hands and ready heart.

In the corner, by the garage, where a shrub thicket holds dominion, a robin is singing his evening roundelay, making the whole neighborhood a shrine. Our friend pauses and listens, a smile hovering on his lips as he watches. Then he moves to the other corner of the yard where a Jenny Wren in her tiny bungalow provided by his hand is the soul of domestic activity. Again he pauses and he is satisfied.

Up the yard he turns, caressing this dahlia, admiring that hollyhock, drinking in the sweet perfume of that tube rose or nodding in greeting to the laughing cosmos and coreopsis. Perhaps he kneels, as at prayer, in the edge of the lawn—but only to root out a vagrant dandelion which has escaped his ever-vigilant eye in the past.

Mornings, as the first faint fringes of pink and rose pierce the eastern sky, he comes out in the cool, vibrant air, and for an hour works havoc on his garden foes. But, at night, like a benediction from a day well spent, he merely enjoys and looks and learns and listens to the mighty symphony of Creation.

Then childish voices summon him to the simple repast which frugal taste and healthy appetites most desire. Thru the open window, to the cadence of the robin's carol, we hear the hush and murmur of thanks going up to the Almighty, as tiny heads bow with those of middle age.

I know a man who has achieved all the

happiness this world holds, because he has learned to work, to love and to laugh. I know him because he is my neighbor—and I think one of him lives on your block, too!



## BIRTHS

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wyant, March 10, in the Decatur and Macon County hospital, a daughter. She has been named Norma Jean. Mr. Wyant is employed in Department 30 and Mrs. Wyant, who was Miss Vera Curl, formerly worked in the Main Office.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Foster, March 17, in St. Mary's hospital, a son. Mr. Foster works in the Assembling Department.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Ebert Mueller, March 21, a son, in Decatur and Macon County hospital. He has been named Robert Eugene.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Saltsgaver, March 5, in St. Mary's hospital, a daughter. Mr. Saltsgaver is employed in No. 30.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Riley, March 24, at the Decatur and Macon County hospital, a son. Mr. Riley is employed in Department 18.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin R. White, 1343 E. Hickory street, March 25, a son, Robert Gene. Mrs. White was formerly Miss Bertha Geibe and worked in the Brass Shops for a number of years.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nash, March 30, a son.



There was a young fellow named Strauss,  
Who got on a terrible sauss,  
He had the right key  
In the keyhole, you see,  
But the keyhole was in the wrong hauss.



Junior: "They must have had dress suits in Bible times."

Senior: "How's that?"

Junior: "It says in the Bible that 'He rent his clothes.'"



Hotel Guest (to friend across table): "I'm going to have some beefsteak. It always makes me feel bulky."

Friend: "Well, I'm going to have some hash. Hash always makes me feel like everything."



# STUDENTS FROM U. OF I.

The University of Illinois at Urbana is the fourth largest in the United States and its alumni are scattered throughout the world. A visit to this great institution is an inspiration, and it is small wonder that the alumni cling to its memories with loyalty and reverence. It is an institution of which every Illinoisan is proud, and it is the soil in which thousands of boys and girls plant their faith and the foundation upon which they build their hopes for future advancement in their chosen path of professional, commercial, agricultural, or industrial activity.

In many departments the U. of I. stands at the head and through its investigations and experiments has rendered invaluable service to Illinois and the world. For instance, the agricultural experiment station has made discoveries which it is estimated if adopted by the farms to which they are applicable, would increase the value of agricultural products of the state more than \$200,000,000 annually.

The college of agriculture founded and maintains the world's largest soil survey. The faith of the people in this survey is such that many Illinois farms are now bought and sold on the basis of "what the soil contains."

In 1890 the University had about 400 students, a faculty and clerical force of 39, and about 5 buildings; today it has approximate-

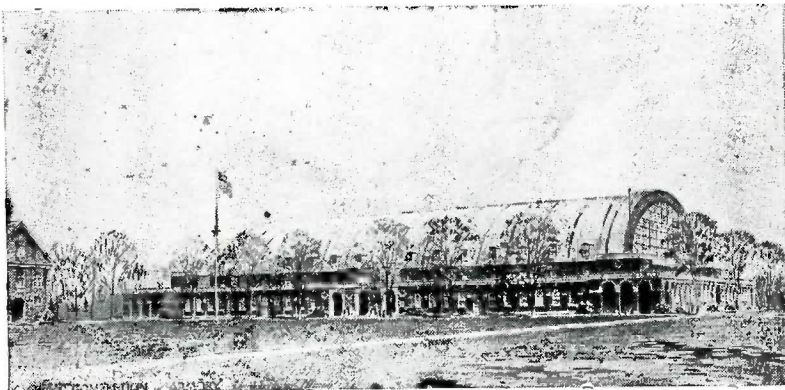
Originally this great institution of learning was known as the Illinois Industrial University, and under this name it was classified by many as a sort of reform school, but along with its development came a change and it was not long until the University of Illinois was known as such throughout the United States and took its place among the notable colleges of the country.

It would be futile to attempt to follow in a brief article the accomplishments of the U. of I. alumni. Everywhere they are found in the higher and more important walks of life. It is interesting, however, to take a passing glance at some of the high lights.

Lorado Taft, '79, is internationally known as a sculptor. Many who have toured northern Illinois remember his impressive statue of Black Hawk, located at Oregon, Illinois. His Fountain of Time on the Midway and his Great Lakes Fountain Group in Chicago are examples of his creative power, which have delighted thousands.

One of the newest and most magnificent additions to government buildings at Washington, D. C., is the Lincoln Memorial. The architect of this beautiful structure is Henry Bacon, at one time a member of the class of '88.

Dr. S. W. Stratton, '84, for 21 years director of the Bureau of Standards at Washington, but recently elected president of the



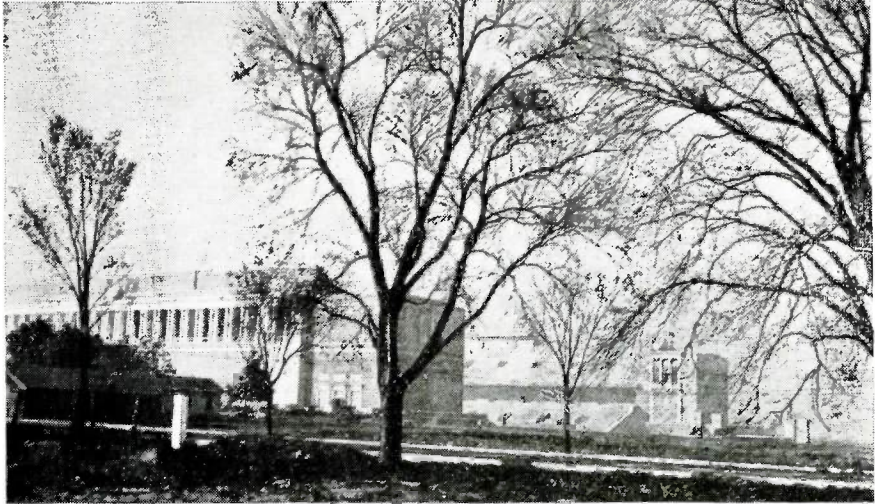
## THE ARMORY

ly 11,000 students, faculty and clerical force of about 1,100, and 57 major buildings, besides 21 farm buildings and 15 tenant houses. The University property and equipment is valued at over \$10,000,000.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an honor that any educator or scientist would covet.

Walter Burley Griffin in world wide competition won the grand prize and was select-

# VISIT MUELLER FACTORY



THE STADIUM

ed to lay out and build the new capitol of Australia, a work that has engaged his attention for the past ten years and still keeps him occupied.

In every department of art, literature, science, commerce or athletics, the alumni of the U. of I. are found keeping pace with the leaders.

The University stands very high in mechanical engineering. In fact, it is looked upon as a leader in this department of education. The engineering experiment stations are conceded to be among the largest, if not the largest in the world. The student personnel of the school of engineering represents practically all civilized nations of the globe.

The spirit of the U. of I. is in keeping with the spirit of Illinois—ever forward. Vast improvements are being made to this great university to meet the increasing demands.

The new Memorial stadium stands forth in symbolic significance of the spirit of Illini. Its cost is approximately \$1,600,000. Two men most largely responsible for the idea of this magnificent structure are George Huff, director of athletics, and Robert Zuppke, football coach, and they have had an equal responsibility in carrying out the plan. The seating capacity is about 60,000. Extending full length of each stand 44 feet above the level is a memorial colonnade containing one hundred memorial columns 22 feet high.

## COMMERCE STUDENTS OF UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS VISIT FACTORY

The first delegation this spring from the University of Illinois was one of Professor Anderson's classes in commerce, which visited the factory on the morning of Thursday, March 19. There were thirty in the party and three of these were young women. Three of the students lived outside of Illinois, 12 of them were from Chicago, and the other 15 from down state.

The journey to Decatur was made in two large busses. The students arrived promptly at 8:30 and met in the small dining room at the Mueller Club.

Mr. Adolph Mueller welcomed them. Since they were interested chiefly in problems of administration, he gave them some insight into such problems as he saw them.

Mr. Mueller told the story of the founding of this business and its development from a small retail store to an organization of national importance.

He dwelt upon the function of industry to serve the public and the efficiency of this service is the measure of the success of an enterprise. It is much easier to hire to workers detail jobs than to find men who can handle executive responsibility. The Mueller organization is committed to the policy of developing its executives from the ranks. This policy opens many opportunities to ambitious men in the organization.



He explained the tendency of overhead to climb too high, and explained the necessity of keeping an organization efficient and holding down the overhead at the same time.

Our new sales policy was explained, and the advertising program outlined. The in-



CONVOCATION HALL

crease in the volume of sales has fully justified this change in selling policy.

Students were then divided into three groups, each in charge of a guide. Charles Cochran, Walter Auer, and Quinn Charlton served in this capacity.

At noon our guests assembled at the Mueller Club. Tables were placed in the gymnasium, and an opportunity was afforded to meet various executives at lunch.

Mr. Adolph Mueller further explained the internal organization and the purpose of the noon-day executive's meeting. After nine "rahs" for the Company, the students boarded their busses to spend the afternoon at the Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co.

This visit is typical of many that have been made by students from the University of Illinois, from James Millikin University, and from other institutions in central Illinois.

### CLASS IN FOREMANSHIP

The five o'clock section of the class in Foremanship will finish its work in about two weeks. The interest has been well sustained and the one hour class period is all too short a period in which to discuss the many stimulating problems that arise.

At the session Monday evening, Paul Jacka, recent graduate in engineering in the University of Michigan, gave a paper on Scientific Management as taught in that institution. It was really a very good summary of the problems and principles dealt with in our course in Foremanship.

On another evening, W. J. Mix explained the function of the Engineering Department. J. C. Martin told of the work of the Chemical Laboratory. On other occasions various experts of the organization have explained in detail the purpose of their departments.

A consistent effort has been made throughout the course to line up the practices of the Mueller plant with the principles of scientific management as outlined in our course.

There is another section for the men of the night shift which meets at four o'clock on Monday. This class began work about six weeks after the first section started. They have now completed about three-fourths of the course and will finish some time in May.

The interest taken in these classes demonstrates the response that will be made by ambitious men when organized instruction in subjects which are related to their work is offered.



Returning from his visit to the seashore, little Dean told the family about the ocean. "Why," he exclaimed, his eye big with excitement, "it jumped and leaped all around! I brought some of it home to show you. Now just look," and he produced a big bottle of sea water, the contents of which he poured into a pan, where it lay inert and lifeless. "Huh! that's funny," he said. "It must have died coming home."



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# Thrift Thoughts



## WHY NOT?

Spring is here at last, we rejoice to say. The warmer weather is saving the coal pile. We can go about without overcoat, rubbers and gloves. We do not need so much to eat as in winter.

All these conditions should cut down our expenses and give us a chance to save something more. Why not cash in on this chance and start a savings account in the Mueller Investment Plan? You can start with a dollar, and put it to earning seven per cent from the date you begin.

Why not save that bonus on the night shift for perfect attendance? In a year it amounts to \$50.00 and the interest would be \$1.75 more.

Come to the Employment Office at noon on Wednesday or Thursday and sign up.

## CREDIT WITH A SMILE

Anyone who keeps an account of personal or household expenses is sure to learn some interesting things about his own spending. It may seem to be an easy matter to remember where the money goes, but the figures duly entered at the time of payment will often tell a different story.

With such figures before one, there will be less chance of running into debt, with all the credit clothing and jewelry stores asking you to wear now and pay later, it is well to stop and make sure that you can pay, for pay you must.

Smiling salesmen will flatter you and invite you to indulge expensive tastes on credit. When unexpected trouble overtakes you (trouble is always unexpected) collectors who do not smile or flatter will attach your wages or sue you, and explanations and good reasons will not avail.

This is not merely a didactic truism but the actual observation of many cases—something that happens almost every day.

## The "E" String

A violinist entered a little music shop in London.

Said he to the clerk: "Give me an 'E' string, please."

Said the latter, producing a box: "Would you mind choosing one yourself, sir? I haven't been 'ere long enough to tell the 'es from the shes."

Measured against failures, you may be a great success. How do you measure up against the winners?

## SELF CONTROL AND SAVING

Self-control is one of the hardest things in the world. That's why saving money at first is difficult. To save you must exercise self-control. Ultimately the saving of money becomes not only easy but mechanical.

The New York Evening Journal's Trade News says:

The hard work is the practising of self-denial at first. It is hard, but no harder than getting out of bed early, and most of us have to learn that.

Learn not to be forever yearning for things you don't need.

Learn to fix your mind on the future instead of on the immediate and foolish present.

Ignore the opinions of others. They are glad enough to see you spend your money now. But where will they be when your money is gone and your ability to earn money with it?

They will be following someone else who is learning the spendthrift's hard lesson of practical experience.

Your money is the only thing that can keep you independent. It alone can save you from the worst fever of modern life—poverty, dependence, the humiliation of trying in old age and under adverse conditions to make up for the folly of youth.

Deny yourself now. Make the effort of will that is necessary to save yourself suffering and humiliation in the future.

## Arithmetic

Old Zeb was whitewashing his barn with a brush that had very few bristles left in it. The squire happened to pass and said:

"Why don't you get a new brush with more bristles in it, Zeb?"

"What for, Squire?" asked the old man.

"What for?" answered the Squire. "Why, man, if you had a proper brush you could do twice as much work?"

"Mebbe so, Squire, mebbe so," replied the old chap. "Only you see, I ain't got twice as much work to do."

## TRIP THROUGH THE FACTORY



Students from the Central Junior High who visited the factory recently

### MRS. LOUISE BASSEY DIES; AGE 77

Mrs. Louise B. Bassey, 221 North Edward street, widow of the late E. C. Bassey, died at her home at 3:50 o'clock Tuesday morning, March 10th, following an illness of long duration. She had been bedfast since the preceding Sunday.

Her maiden name was Louise Bernhardt and was born in Menden, Germany, Oct. 29, 1848, being seventy-seven years old at the time of her death.

She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Ella B. Rost of Decatur, and one son, Edward H. Bassey of Chicago, besides three grandchildren.

Mrs. Bassey had been a resident of Decatur for fifty-five years and was a sister of the late Mrs. H. Mueller. Members of the family were with her at the last.

The body was taken to the Monson chapel and prepared for burial. Funeral services were conducted in the home and burial was in Fairlawn cemetery.



Toulouse and Toulon are two cities in  
Frawnce

Which always suggest a poor sailorman's  
pawnts.



Co-ed: "Suppose your chick should lay an  
egg, would you give it to me?"

Aggie: "No; I'd sell it to a museum—that  
chick is a rooster.



The archbishop had preached a fine sermon on the beauties of married life. Two old Irish women coming out of church were heard commenting on his address.

"Tis a fine sermon his riverence would be  
after givin' us," said Maggie.

"It is, indade," replied Bridget, "and I wish I knew as little about the matter as he does."

### JUST RARIN' TO GO

At a filling station out on the hard road to Danville, a locomobile drove up and the driver asked, "How far is it to Danville?" The attendant answered, "Ninety miles." "Put in ten gallons of gas and a quart of oil," said the driver.

The next car was an Overland driven by a chap by the name of Ruthrauff and the same conversation took place. He wanted twenty gallons of gas and two quarts of oil.

Later in the morning a sparkling Willys-Knight drove up with the initials W. R. G. on the door. This fellow was also going to Danville and wanted thirty gallons of gas and four quarts of oil.

Late in the afternoon a Ford skidded into the station and a more than chubby chap by the name of Bert Jackson hopped out and asked the distance to Danville. "All right," he said, "I must make it before dark. Give me a pack of camels, fill her up with water and hold 'er till I get in!"



Carl Spruth has returned to work in the Metal Storage Department, after an absence of three months due to ill health.

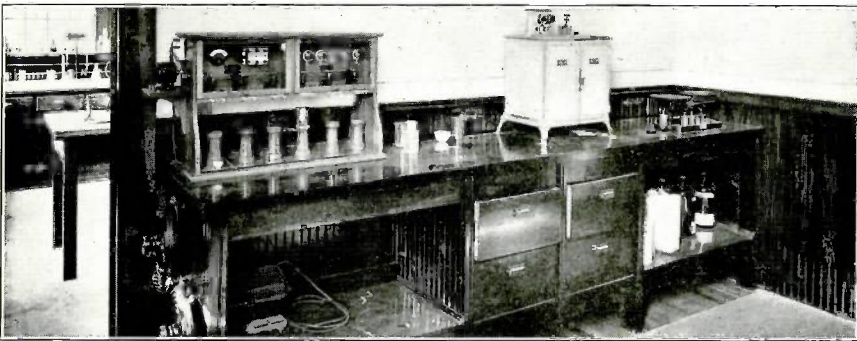
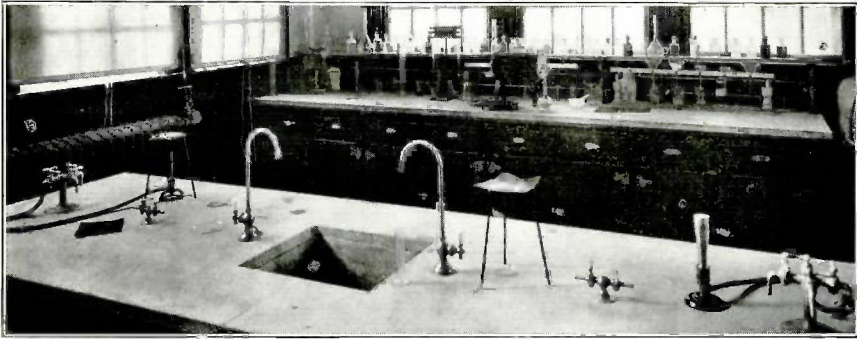
J. A. Mockbee of the Night Polishing Department has been laid up for some time, recovering from a tonsil operation.

Nellie Blanchard of the Traffic Department is spending a month with home folks in Assumption.



Mistress: "Oh, Jane, I told you to notice when the jam boiled over."

New Maid: "So I did, mum. It was a quarter past eleven."



TWO VIEWS IN MUELLER LABORATORY

#### LABORATORY GOODS

The Laboratory is under the supervision of the Engineering Department and operates throughout the entire factory. It tests all purchased materials to see that they are of the grade specified, controls manufacturing processes of the factory, performs experimental and research work for the improving of factory processes and products.

A finished product of the Mueller Co. is made up of a number of parts properly assembled. Each of these parts passes through several operations during its manufacture. The operation may be mechanical or chemical, or both. Many times a mechanical operation may cause a chemical change which, if allowed to remain, would cause failure of the piece in service, and therefore must be corrected by a chemical operation following.

It is the duty of the laboratory to search out and determine the immediate and ultimate effects of these chemical and physical changes and chemical and physical operations and, having done this, to devise means of controlling them to be exactly as wanted so the resulting product will always have the same properties.

The Laboratory, by means of its scientific instruments and tests, is able to determine, measure and thus record the chemical and physical characteristics of Mueller products and likewise the chemical and physical con-

dition surrounding their use. It is possible then to positively and consistently improve Mueller goods by carefully noting what characteristics are necessary for obtaining any given results. The characteristics and surrounding condition of goods failing to give service and likewise those that have given service are carefully noted and recorded so that as times goes on there exists a written history to go by for determining the necessary characteristics to meet any given conditions and furthermore the Laboratory can, by its control tests in factory, assure the goods of having any characteristics necessary.



#### MUELLER METAL

Mueller metal is as nearly perfect as is scientifically possible to make it by close laboratory control. A complete written record is kept of every furnace of metal, showing exactly what goes into the furnace and the chemical and physical characteristics of the metal that comes out.

The metal from each furnace is kept separate from that of the other furnaces until the Laboratory has O. K'd it as satisfactory. To be satisfactory, all of the chemical and physical properties must check up to set standards. The only other brass foundry using this control, so far as the writer knows is the U. S. Army Aviation Station at Dayton, Ohio.



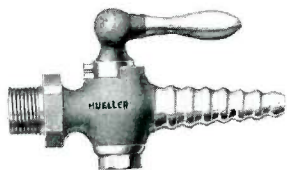
### LABORATORY FITTINGS

In the pictures of laboratory will be seen some of the laboratory fittings which we manufacture.

This has become a quite important branch of the business. We learned, some years ago,



of difficulties experienced by colleges and laboratory workers in securing stops, valves and faucets of real quality. This led us into making a line of brass laboratory fittings



and today Mueller goods of this kind will be found in the best laboratories in the country.

One of our early installations was in the Departments of Agriculture and Animal Industry, Washington, D. C., where Mueller Laboratory fittings are used exclusively.



Now they can be found in college and school laboratories which include the University of Illinois, Massachusetts, Institute of Technology, University of Oklahoma, University of Iowa, John Hopkins Medical School, University of Chicago Medical School, University of Mississippi, and scores of others.

Of course, there is a reason why all these important college laboratories demand Mueller Goods, but it is a simple one. We found from the best laboratory authorities what was necessary in the way of brass equipment and made goods of Mueller quality to meet these requirements. Our line of laboratory brass fittings is complete and we are

always glad to furnish full information on request. In a publication such as the Record it is possible to show only a print or two.



### Departmental News

#### Department 18

Malcom Wood has checked out and gone to Meers, Mich., where he has charge of a summer resort.

Otto Halmbacher lamented all week because someone stole his overalls.

Paul Wagner has bought a rattling good Ford. It doesn't even need a horn.

Mrs. Hileman joined the flappers and had her hair bobbed.

Marion Ritter is the new girl in the Department.

Mabel McClimans brought forth her Sunday School language the other day when she made a mistake, but did not know she had an audience.

Wayne and Albert have a terrible time with their girls. Wayne is coming out ahead with a regular sheik's outfit consisting of a scarlet lumber jacket and tie, which he displayed on Water street last Saturday.

Albert went to the barber shop to get a hair-cut, but evidently went to sleep and yet the barber shave most of his hair off. He saved a little lock for his forehead.

We hear Cherry Tosh has a new chiffonier.

Roy Pease was dressed like a motorcycle cop at the hard time dance. He must have thought the crowd was going to need protection.

Wm. Markwitz thinks he should get a bonus for all his work. He absolutely refuses to repair Fords.

We hear that Chuck Coventry is good at mashing potatoes, but that is about all.



#### TO THE MINUTE

A traveling Charlestonian paused one night at a small up-state town—one of those places where the trains don't really stop—they merely hesitate. Its lone hotel, opposite the railway station, was kept by an aged derkey, who was proprietor, clerk, cook, waiter, bell-hop and everything.

"Call me for the three-fifteen train," ordered the guest, retiring early—to sleep soundly until awakened by a loud hammering on his door.

"Hey, boss," came a voice outside, "didn't yuh-all left a call foh de three-fifteen train?"

"Sure," gasped the roomer sleepily.

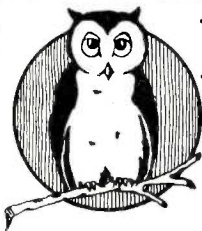
"Well, suh," was the response, "she's at de stashun now."



"They also serve who only stand and wait" proves that they had cafeterias even in Milton's time.

# THE OFFICE OWL

## HOO! HOO!



Hazel V.: "I'd like to see something cheap in a felt hat."

Clerk: "Try this on. The mirror is at your left."

### Department 50

Emmett Reedy at Dept. telephone: "Gimme Fairview 110."

Operator: "Fairview 110?"

Emmett: "Yes, Fairview 110."

Operator: "Ha! ha!"

Emmett: "I mean—ah—er—66."

Don't laugh, that's not so bad, as Emmett has only been back a short while from his wedding trip."

Izzie Weismann: "Say, Lowe, do you ever go to the Lincoln Square?"

Earl Lowe: "Sure; why?"

Izzie: "Tell me, why don't the orchestra that plays all of that music come out on the stage or somewhere so everyone can see them?"

Earl: "Are you kidding me, or showing off some of your Belleville education?"

Archer (walking up to Dave Dresbach who was busy at his desk): "Dave, give me thirty cents."

Dave: "Sure." (Fumbles in pocket and pulls out said amount, hands it over).

Archer: "And here's your tickets to the Alahambra tonight."

Dave (as Archer walks away with the 30 cents): "All r-i-g-h-t—hey! What the h—!"

Mr. Burke, the chief electrician, had better watch his job closely hereafter, because Walter Auer is taking a correspondence course in electricity. So far he has learned not to touch wires which are charged with 33,000 volts, because there is some mysterious thing flowing through the wires which has a jarring effect on the body when touched. We all hope he will be a great success in that line and that some day he will be a noted electrician.

### ALL OVER NOW

March certainly came in like a lion and it continued about as ungracious as one for two or three days. During that time there was a great deal of chilliness on the third floor, and at times the tension was so severe that open hostilities were imminent. The temperamental disturbances may have been a reaction of the weather because it is known that people do get mad as March hares. Or it may have been an echo of the earthquake on the Atlantic coast. There was at least some connection with some boreal or seismic influence, and for a time it looked like it might be necessary to name a Justice of the Peace and establish a police court column in the Record.

P. S.: We find the trouble traceable to the weather. Several of the girls felt like lioness with the opening of the month, but March went out lamb-like and peace and happiness prevailed in our organization. Doesn't it prove that the weather was to blame?



### As Is Today

"We have a very fine course in pharmacy," says the president of the college to the father of the student who was entering.

"I'm glad of that. My boy expects to become a druggist."

"Well, we give special lectures on soaps, stamps, cigars, perfumes, soda water, candy, city directories, telephone books and stationery."



### To the Young Lady Approaching on the Avenue

Ankles like a slender reed.

Tiny feet that trip so lightly,

Very lovely form indeed,

Slightly.

Motions, like a bird in grace,

Plumage like a pretty polly,

But, when I observe your face—

Golly!

## THREE BROTHERS



Here is an unusual factory incident—the three Miller brothers: Ellery, Emanuel and Otis. It is not unusual for three brothers to work in the Mueller organization. There are a number of cases of this character but it is unusual for three brothers to work in any factory all being blacksmith helpers and working in the same department.

### Big Blow Up

"Where are you going with that goat, little boy?"

"Down to the lake. Come on if you want to see some fun. This goat just et a crate of sponges, and I'm goin' down to let him drink."

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### Pretty Smooth

Maiden Lady (to druggist): "Is your cold cream good for wrinkles?"

Druggist: "Madam, it would take the wrinkles out of corrugated iron."

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A haggard individual rushed into a doctor's office and demanded a cure for his indigestion.

"What work are you engaged in, my good man?" asked the Doc.

"Sir, I'm a journalist," responded the sick man.

"Then you are not suffering from indigestion," replied the Doc, "take this dollar and buy yourself a square meal."

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Clyde Carpenter made a grab at a girl the other night and kissed her on the chin. "Heavens, above!" she cried.

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He who can bottle up a bit of sunshine for a rainy day is a corker.

# YOU WORKED

For that little old pay check. Now save some of it and make It work for You.

## Open an account in the Employees' Investment Plan

And let your savings earn seven per cent. You can start with a dollar a week.

Come to the Employment Office at noon on Wednesday or Thursday for particulars.

# SAVE and HAVE



## EMPLOYEES' AID SOCIETY

Financial Statement, Feb. 25—March 31, '25	
March balance in bank.....	\$1,240.15
Co.'s March contrib. ....	50.00
March dues .....	929.40
Int. on municipal bonds.....	15.00
	994.40

\$2,234.55

## Payments

## Receipts

To Millikin Bank for	
Tornado Sufferers .....	200.00
To refund dues .....	12.00
Bain Floral Co.—	
Schuermann and	
Reinhardt .....	10.00
Benefits paid .....	755.02
	977.02

Mch. 31 balance in bank... \$1,257.53

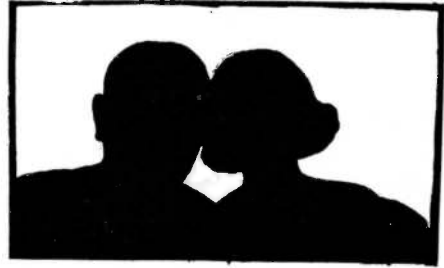
## Assets

Mueller Bonds .....	2,500.00
Municipal Bonds .....	1,000.00
Cash .....	1,257.53
	\$4,757.53

## Benefits Paid

J. H. Mockbee .....	32.40
Frank Pauley .....	14.00
Ezra Utsler .....	9.00
Perry Tankersby .....	3.00
W. W. Enloe .....	5.00
August Sablowske .....	3.00
J. T. LeMarr .....	10.50
Rea S. Laughlin .....	32.40
Jos. H. Ellison .....	6.90
Merle Berry .....	12.50
A. Schuermann .....	4.50
Gid Massengill .....	15.00
C. R. Schultz .....	8.40
John Keinathe .....	20.00
C. V. Higgins .....	10.00
Winnie Carson .....	5.60
David Dresback .....	8.50
Bernadean Stevens .....	12.50
Wm. H. Ward .....	9.00
Nellie Blanchard .....	12.50
Wm. E. Davis .....	31.20
Frank Volkman .....	29.20
LeRoy Peek .....	5.60
Wm. E. McGuire .....	13.50
V. V. Hill .....	3.00
Clifford Roderick .....	7.00
J. H. Mockbee .....	14.40
Merle Anderson .....	8.60
Vaughn Jackson .....	12.00
A. T. Spencer .....	27.90
E. J. Dodwell .....	6.75
Henry Turner .....	17.10
Carl Spruth .....	26.40
W. L. Adams .....	2.25
Pauline Kraft .....	29.60
E. T. Robb .....	9.00
Chas. Gilmore .....	3.00
Eunice Ludwig .....	2.00
W. C. McClanahan .....	15.00
Oscar Sallee .....	3.67

## THE REASON



The reason why Fairy Hughes didn't know what the picture at the Lincoln Square was about the other day

Milo Wright .....	18.00
Floyd Landrum .....	9.00
Dean Rostek .....	22.50
A. J. Roberts .....	10.00
H. Woodruff .....	5.00
Robert Kuykendall .....	6.00
Fred Johner .....	9.00
Ed Hukill .....	10.00
Jacob Miller .....	13.65
Esther Like .....	14.60
W. Frantz .....	16.00
Chas. Oldham .....	51.90
J. W. Hornbeck .....	13.50
James Cox .....	22.50
Ellis Poole .....	18.00
Frank Hargis .....	13.50
C. E. Morton .....	.75
Walter Drew .....	9.00
R. P. Dunaway .....	5.00

\$755.02

E. H. Langdon, Treas.

## Famous Lines

Clothes—  
Bread—  
Telephone—  
Hook—and sinker.  
—otype.

"Do you know?"

"You are the first girl I really ever loved."

First Girl: "What air was that you were playing last night?"

Second Girl: "A millionaire, and I landed him."

A person who pays as he goes doesn't care how many months they put on the calendar.

Slim: "Do you mind if I smoke?"

John: "Go ahead and burn up if you want to."

Poems of Passion:

Ale; Jail; Pale; mail; kale; bail; RAIL.

## AT MUELLER PLANT No. 8



The Record photographer, while browsing about Plant No. 8 a few days ago, at the noon hour, snapped a few pictures of employes enjoying themselves. The man on the barrel adopted it in lieu of a glove to stop the hot ones. In the center is a molder ramming a mold on a service box for which we had a big order. On the right is Al "winding up." And at the bottom is a bunch of sun-birds soaking up the beautiful spring sunshine.

### Self Service in South America

Buenos Ayres has a curious restaurant. The equipment consists of one large pot, about a yard in diameter, and one large fork, with which the customers, for five cents, obtain a chance of fishing out a hunk of meat.



### Probably on Strike

Would-be Diner: "Waitress, please find out if your colleague from whom I ordered a steak some time ago, is still employed here."

"The conditions of conquest are always easy. We have but to toil awhile, believe awhile, and never turn back."—Simms.



It is difficult to estimate the influence upon a life of an early formed habit of doing everything to a finish.



Flab: "What ever came of that gate that you and your girl used to swing on?"

Dab: "Oh, she gave it to me."

### Deceitful Appearances

"That must be a fashionable restaurant—look at the beautiful automobiles in front of it."

"Not at all. That's a restaurant for chauffeurs."



### Disguised

Young Lady: "Were you pleased with the new school, little boy?"

Little Boy: "Naw! They made me wash me face an' when I went home de dorg bit me 'cause he didn't know me."



### All Explained

Farmer: "See here, young feller, what are you doing up that tree?"

Boy: "One of your apples fell down and I'm trying to put it back."



Hi: "In what course do you expect to graduate?"

Si: "In the course of time."

## WEDDINGS

### Moessner-Hendrickson

Miss Ruth Moessner and Harold Hendrickson were united in marriage Saturday, March 14, at 7 o'clock in the parsonage of the Grace Methodist church, by Rev. Wilbert Dowson. The single ring ceremony was performed. They were attended by Donald E. Roche and Consuella Roche.

Mrs. Hendrickson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moessner and Mr. Hendrickson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Hendrickson, 1073 East Wood street, and is employed at the Waggoner Casting company. They will reside with the bridegroom's parents.

### Dunaway-Christy

Miss Lois Dunaway and Alfred Christy were married Saturday noon, March 14, by Rev. Wilbert Dowson in the Grace Methodist church. The single ring ceremony was performed. The couple were attended by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dunaway, her sister, Zola, and the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Mary Christy.

Mrs. Christy is employed in the Employment Office, and Mr. Christy in Department 9. They are living with the bridegroom's mother, 1520 N. Main street.

### Gordon-Torrence

Miss Grace Gordon and Carl H. Torrence were married by Rev. Irving Fox, pastor of Riverside Baptist church at the parsonage at 7 o'clock Wednesday, March 25. They were attended by the bride's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gordon. After the ceremony they went to the home of the bride's parents, where they were met by a number of friends and relatives. They left at 9:30 for Buffalo, N. Y. The bride wore a salmon colored two-piece suit and carried a bouquet of sweet peas. Mrs. Torrence has been employed in the Core Room for several years. Mr. Torrence is in the employ of the Wabash locomotive shops.

### Wilt-Athey

Miss Verle Wilt and Virgil Athey, both of Decatur, were married Wednesday morning, March 18th, at 10 o'clock by Rev. H. F. Powell in the St. Paul's Methodist parsonage, the single ring ceremony being performed. They were accompanied by Miss Margaret Foster and Wilbur Willard. The bridegroom is employed in Department 24. The couple will live at 715 West Leafland avenue.



### Hill-Schanafelt

Ella Hill of the Core Department and Louis Schanafelt were married Saturday afternoon, March 28, at the home of Rev.

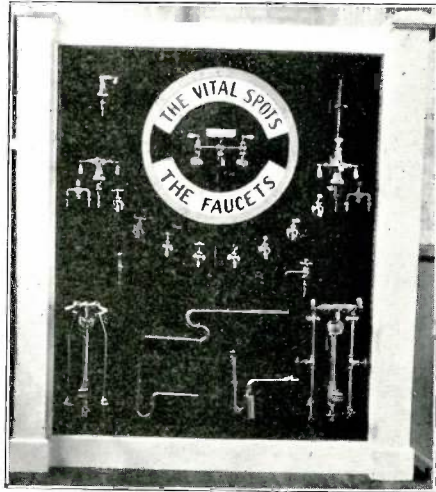
Heyne. Mr. and Mrs. Schanafelt will live at 1084 East Prairie avenue.



Mrs. Guy Doran and family were the victims of a speeder who ran into their car on the hard road near Forsyth March 23.

The car was wrecked and Mrs. Doran was injured.

## STATE CONVENTIONS



We have made exhibits at a number of state conventions. The one above was shown at the New York State Convention of Plumbers at Buffalo, and from there to the Pennsylvania State Plumbers at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. It was a pretty little display: white frame with gold trimming and a purple background. The sink combination was encircled with a gold band and "The Vital Spots—The Faucets" followed our national advertising plans. We are impressing the public that faucets are the vital spots

### Wrong Name

Roy Simpson, negro laborer, was putting in his first day with a construction gang whose foreman was known for getting the maximum amount of labor out of his men. Simpson was helping in the task of moving the right-of-way, and all day long he carried heavy timbers and ties until at the close of the day he was completely tired out. Came quitting time. Before he went he approached the boss and said:

"Mister, you sure you got me down on the payroll?"

The foreman looked over the list of names he held. "Yes," he said, finally, "here you are—Simpson—Roy Simpson. That's right, isn't it?"

"Yas suh, boss," said the negro, "dass right. I thought mebbe you had me down as Samson."



## NEWLYWEDS



Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hendrickson, who were married March 14th. Mrs. Hendrickson formerly worked in the main office, and we knew her as Ruth Moessner.

## A Pessimist

Book agent: "Now here is a really wonderful book entitled 'Farming for Profits.'"

Farmer: "I ain't got no time for any fiction whatever."



## Time and Again

He: "May I hold your hand a second?"

She: "How will you know when the second's up?"

He: "Oh, I'll need a second hand for that."



## THE REAL THING

"Well," said the disgusted bellboy, as he looked at the nickel tip, "he's not bluffing—he's a real millionaire, all right."



## In Sunday School

Teacher: "Who was Eve?"

Johnny: "The first chicken that ruined a man's garden."

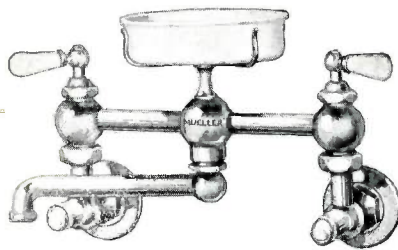


What a fine world this would be if those who have money would use it as those who haven't money think they would use it if they had it, which they wouldn't.



"General Braddock," wrote the little boy in his painfully written composition on early American history, "was killed in the Revolutionary War. He had three horses shot under him, and a fourth went through his clothes."

# The Vital Spots



in plumbing are the faucets of all kinds---no plumbing is any better than the faucets---and there are no faucets better than Muellers.

## MUELLER CO.

Decatur, Ill.

New York

San Francisco

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## ON THE MEDITERRANEAN

## Mr. Robert Writes Interesting Letter About His Trip

Friends of Mr. Robert will be glad to know that he is having a splendid time sight seeing along the shores of the Mediterranean. He wrote the following interesting letter under date of February 15.

After a seven days water trip we arrived at Funchal (the largest city on the Maderia Island) on January 31. This is a beautiful city, set in a background of lofty hills. The population is in the neighborhood of 27,000. The people are fairly industrious, especially in view of the mild climate. The average temperature is 70 degrees.

Wine and other liquors are sold in practically every store, as well as on the streets. The people to a great measure are ignorant and very superstitious.

Mrs. Mueller and I took the inclined railway ride to Nassa Sinhara De Monte, 1962 feet above sea level. Then we took the Sledge Ride over small stones down to the city. (Will bring photos home). In the evening the city officials gave us a very wonderful reception and dance at the Casino. In some of the outer rooms they had four large roulette tables going full blast and taking in a lot of good U. S. money from the easy tourists. We all claimed that we had a most wonderful time at Funchal and that we will always remember this beautiful city.

We left Funchal at 12 o'clock p. m. the same night for Cadiz. We simply passed through Cadiz and took a train for Seville on February 3, reaching there about 1:30 p. m. We visited the different places of interest during the afternoon and in the evening we went to a Spanish dance. We stopped at the Engleterra Hotel. This city has a population of about 175,000. The buildings are large and extremely well built. The city is noted for its wonderful shawls as well as for its art and music. It is also the birth place of Murillo, the potted painter. We enjoyed every minute of our stay in Seville.

We left Seville February 4 in the morning, reaching Granada by train the same evening. We were driven through the city and then to the Alhambra Hotel. The road to the hotel is miles long and almost straight up along side of a mountain. One gets a beautiful view of the city from the veranda of the hotel.

The ride from Cadiz to Granada, a distance of 200 miles takes 11 hours by railroad and is through a most fertile and beautiful country, all located in a rich, wine-growing district. At Seville we went to the King's Palace (that is, his former Palace, but at the same time, he visits this Palace about every few weeks. King Alfonza's Palace is now located at Madrid) and sat on

some of the chairs and seats he usually occupies. We felt like some pumpkins.

The Alhambra in Granada seems intended by nature as a fortress. We visited it one whole afternoon and then again by night between 10:00 and 12:00 o'clock. The night trip was rather spooky, to say the least.

The Alhambra included the residences of the Governors of Granada, the central division being The Palace of The King. The Alhambra covers an area of 795 by 195 yards.

Granada is a beautiful city so situated on the side of mountains so that the water supply and sewage question is ideal in every way.

We left Granada on the evening of the 5th reaching Gibraltar late in the evening. We were not allowed to embark, as the city (on account of being a fortress for the British) was positively closed at 9 p. m. We left Gibraltar at 12:30 a. m., Feb. 6. We remained on deck until about one o'clock as we wanted to see the ship go out of the harbor, as well as bid farewell to Gibraltar. It surely was a wonderful sight. For our world protection and viewing Gibraltar, as we did, I doubt very much if England would sell Gibraltar for half of the world, even if it were offered to them. From a distance the rock of Gibraltar appears like a huge crouching lion, the highest point being 1396 feet above sea level. We hope to have the pleasure of visiting Gibraltar, at least for a day or so longer.

We reached Algiers on the morning of the 8th, this being about 400 miles from Gibraltar. This is a very beautiful and wonderful city. We would like to have remained in this city at least four or five days. The rate in the best and most modern hotel, The Continental, for room with twin beds, bath, meals, etc., is about \$4.00 per day per person. This city was conquered by the Romans in 46 B. C. Privacy prevailed in this city to the greatest possible extent up to June, 1815, when our hero, Commodore Decatur appeared before Algiers to give official notice that the paying of ransoms and tributes must cease and demanding immediate release of all Americans held in slavery. The crafty Dey, impressed by the demand made by Commodore Decatur, acceded to the demands. When we build our large union depot I think it would be fitting and proper to build a large bronze statue to the memory of Commodore Decatur, whom our city was named after. The population of Algiers is about 145,000. There are thousands of beggars in this city; one has to be very careful about his money or he will lose pocket-book and all. Algiers is under French control. We would like to have remained in this city for about a week with a first-class guide from Cook & Sons' office. We left Algiers during the night of the 9th, reaching Tunis on the 10th, about noon. Tunis is the capital



Top Picture—Wanetta Ferne and James David, children of Roy Harper, Dept. 24

First Picture, Lower Row: James Arthur McCutcheon, 2½ months old son of John A. McCutcheon, truck driver

Second Picture: Edwina May, daughter of Albert May of Machine Shop. She is like her daddy—some radio fan

Third Picture: Vera Ruth, aged 2, and Eugene Paul, 6 months, children of Abe Collins of Service Box Department

of Tunisia, a country not unlike Algiers in climate and natural resources. Here Charles V liberated 10,000 slaves in 1535. In 1881 the French government placed all of Tunisia under its protection. This city is now housing and teaching 1500 orphan children, caused by the war. This is a very great expense to France and Italy.

The children look clean and happy, and will undoubtedly make good citizens.

Everything is so very strange but at the same time so wonderful that we cannot realize that we are here in the far East where so many battles took place in our recent war.

Will write again when I am not so busy seeing things.

As there are quite a number of Rotarians on board, we will hold some meetings.

Sincerely trusting that all of you are well and happy, I remain,

Robert.



Mother: "Dorothy, you have disobeyed mother by racing around and making all that noise. Now you shan't have that piece of candy."

Father (entering a few minutes later): "Why so quiet, little one?"

Dorothy: "I've been fined for speedin'."