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MONEY ON HAND

Every member of an organization should realize that in every business there must be enough money on hand to take care of certain unescapable expenses of an arbitrary character-that is to sav expenses which must be met at stated periods. Among these are insurance, taxes, materials needed for manufac-turing purposes, and above all the payroll. If business flowed in an unchanging stream of known quantity these problems would not be of such great importance. But it does not. It may be good one month and poor the next. It is this uncertainty which necessitates care and watchfulness in seeing that there is always enough money in the cash drawer to cover the known fixed expenses. The income and the outgo must be maintained in correct balance. Every member in this organization can keep and strengthen this endeavor by avoiding errors, which entail a loss of time and material or in any way incur unnecessary expense.

POLITENESS

It pays large dividends. It is not confined alone to the social side of life—it is a business asset. Of it Lord Chesterfield said: "True politeness is perfect ease and freedom. It simply consists in treating others just as you love to be treated yourself." That's the story in a nutshell. A really polite person is always at ease. He is not abashed in the presence of one who may have greater wealth or greater power. It is a weapon which allows no intrusion on one's self respect, and stamps one as a person of good breeding.

There is no better place for it than in daily association with others — either by personal

contact or through the telephone.

The invaluable aid of this instrument in saving time and expediting business demands courtesy and politeness to give us the most profitable aid.

BUD GOT "BUGGY"

Bud Simpson says that grasshoppers aren't the only ones that suffer from chiggers. He spent a Sunday recently picking blackberries and was so hadly bitten that he coulen't work on Monday.

SCOUTS VISIT STARVED ROCK

The Creeping Panther Patrol of Mueller Troop No. 2 won, in competition, a trip to Starved Rock July 17 and 18. Nine uniformed scouts with pup tents and bed rolls left Decatur Saturday afternoon and returned late Sunday night. Mr. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Gober Hickman, committeemen, and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Boggs, scoutmaster and wife, accompanied the patrol on the trip.

Camp was pitched at the Starved Rock camp grounds from which hike tours of the park were made. The patrol was the guest of a Chicago troop, also at the park Saturday evening, and witnessed an Indian ceremony and council fire. Games and songs around the council fire followed.

Early Saturday morning after a hearty breakfast of pancakes, cocoa and fruit, the entire group visited the many rocks and canyons, the river dam and boat locks of the park.

At noon the group returned to the camp ground for a huge dinner and once more hit the trail to visit the rest of the park. About 15 or 20 miles were covered in hiking.

15 or 20 miles were covered in hiking. It was a happy but tired group that re-

turned home.

INDEPENDENT TOURNEY

Because of new added attractious to the picnic set for Saturday, August 14, it has been decided not to hold the usual morning golf tournament sponsored by the company.

Some of the employes, however, have taken over the tournament as a separate enterprise and will play at Nelson Park on the morning

of picnic day.

SAFETY SHOES WIN AGAIN

Henry Gilbert of the Core Department bought a new pair of safety oxfords last week. He said: "See that scar on the toe of the left shoe? That's where a core box fell and would have smashed my foot if I had not been wearing safety shoes."

It is possible to get comfortable safety shoes

for any job. Let us prove it.

MABEL GATES IN LIMELIGHT

Picture Appears in Metropolitan Papers— Interesting Chicago Trip

Mabel Gates has returned from her vacation in Chicago. While there she attended the convention of the National Association of the deaf. The meeting was held in the Hotel Sherman and over 3000 were registered. social activities included a trip on Lake Michigan to St. Joseph, Mich., a city which has long been noted as the Gretna Green for Chicago's love lorn; also the House of David. but Mabel escaped the influence of either of these so far as we can learn, as she gives out no information to the contrary. However its quite significant to note that Mabel was photographed with two girl friends as the trio sang in sign language that old favorite, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." The trio was composed of Mabel, Mrs. Shawl of Chicago, and Miss McKinnon of Oregon. This gained the girls quite some fame as the picture appeared in the Globe-Democrat, Chicago Tribune and other metropolitan papers. Social activities in addition to those mentioned above included a sight-seeing excursion, a picnic at Riverview Park, a banquet and a night club of deaf per-formers. Life, a national magazine, had special photographers at the various functions. President Roosevelt, an able user of his hands in conversing with the deaf sent a cordial message of greeting to the convention.

OUEER HOBBY

News and Views, house organ of the Peoria Caterpillar company, carried a story recently concerning a collection of unduplicated match covers made by O. T. Arnold, traffic manager of the company mentioned. It is said to be the world's largest collection. Mr. Arnold has mounted these covers on panels two and one-half feet wide and five feet long. The panels are two sided and each one has a capacity of 1,116 covers. Thirty of these boards have been completely filled and thirty additional panels will be added. The collection represents every state in the U. S. and forty-three foreign countries.

In addition to these 30,000 covers Mr. Arnold has between 40,000 and 50,000 duplicates which he uses for trading purposes. He has correspondence with other collectors in various countries of the world. He has received as many as 4000 of these covers in a single day. The covers are classified titles like hotels, restaurants, night clubs, cafeterias, automobiles, transportation, etc. The hotel group is the largest, including 6000 covers. Mr. Arnold says the chief benefit of the collection is that it improves one's memory. We don't know of any one in this organization with a hobby like this. O. C. Keil, Jr., started such a collection several years ago but gave it up. It will be remembered that he exhibited it at our hobby show several years ago.

By the way it's about time to have another hobby show—that is this fall or winter.

WALT LEAVES US



Walt Coventry who has been employed in the Billing Department, left Decatur July 8 to accept a position in the Sales Department of the Columbian Iron Works. His work here has been taken over by J. W. Simpson, Jr. Raymond Fritz of the Shipping Department has taken over the drum clerk's work.

The accompanying snap shot was taken by Helen Pope, showing Walt with a new traveling bag, presented by his office companions. It was a most appropriate gift, amply large enough for Walt to carry about his work. His brief case had become entirely too small.

GRANNIES ERROR

Grandma—Look! Old fashioned girl. Dress buttoned up the back."

Modern G. D.—"Nonsense, Grannie. That's her spine."

MATRIMONIAL FORESIGHT

Stella: "If you had two wishes what would you ask for?"

Maris: "A husband." Stella: "That's one."

Maris: "And I'd save the other one till I saw how the husband turned out."—Answers.

BACK TO THE COAST

Roy E. Thomas and son spent a week in Decatur in the early part of July. Roy was formerly a member of the organization. His son is a recent graduate of the Los Angeles High School.

SARNIA NEWS

Mrs. Scarlet, mother of J. W. Simpson called at the plant recently. Mrs. Scarlet is spending the summer in Sarnia.

Miss Jessie Jones is convalescing at her home following a tonsil operation.

Ebert Mueller, Mrs. G. W. Parker and Betty attended the circus in Port Huron recently. Betty thought the circus was fine but she liked Uncle Ebe best.

Miss Marian Richards, accompanied by Misses Inez Richards and Eloise Dickson, called at the Sarnia plant recently enroute to their homes in Decatur following a tour in the east.

Lee O'Neill, Toronto salesman, was in Sarnia on July 23. Mr. O'Neill expects to tour his northern Ontario territory early in August

J. J. Conway, western Canada representative and territorial supervisor, spent several days in Canada while enroute to Vancouver following an extended business trip in the Eastern Canada territories.

Wm. Twaits is accompanying M. A. Schroder on a tour of his southern Ontario territory.

G. W. Parker and wife attended the game between Detroit Tigers and the New York Yankees on July 10.

William E. Mueller was in Sarnia July 9 and 10.

Ebert Mueller and wife are busily engaged in moving to their new home on Richard street.

The employees of the factory are busy making plans for the week's vacation when the plant is closed down the first week in August. We will in all probability have some good fish stories for the next issue.

MARIAN RICHARD'S TRIP

Visited 13 States and Many of the Larger Eastern Cities

On an extended vacation trip through the east Marian Richards and sister, Inez, and Eloyse Dickson and Arletta Ewart visited 13 states and Ontario, Canada. There was no bad luck in the number 13. Nothing but fun and sights to give them something to dream about for months to come. Here are the states visited—Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Michigan and Maryland.

A never-ending panorama was enfolded for their enjoyment. At Frederick, Md., they saw Barbara Fritchie's home; in Washington, D. C., the White House, Public Buildings with a side trip to Mt. Vernon; Annapolis, the naval Academy, Atlantic City, the board walk, ocean

and thousands of people in the never ending procession on the board walk and the beach.

In New York City they visited Rockefeller Center, the Empire building, the Battery and hundreds of other sights. At Radio Music Hall they saw the Rockettes. Dorothy Collins, of Clinton, and Lorraine Harris (Annette Van Dyke's pupils) are in the Rockettes. They had just returned from Europe on the Normandie, having been to Paris to dance at the Exposition.

From New York they went through Connecticut, Rhode Island to Plymouth and Boston, and from the latter place to Berkshire Hills, and then through New York where they saw Finger Lakes. The girls stopped for a brief visit to Niagara Falls and then drove through Ontario to Sarnia for a visit to Mueller Ltd. They ferried across St. Clair river from Sarnia to Port Huron, drove down to Detroit and headed for home.

It was a great never to be forgotten automobile trip.

A PROMISING YOUNG DANCER



Betty Auer, aged 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Auer, knows how to "trip it as she goes, on the light fantastic toe." She loves to dance and puts rythm and vivacity into her work. The accompanying picture shows her in costume at a recent revue given by pupils of Beth Elore Butt. Betty was a Mueller girl pupil of Miss Anette Van Dyke's until her instructor went to New York. Then she joined the Butt school.

An Old-Time Base Ball Team



Here is an old time picture of a Mueller base ball team which Marshall Hobbs dug up and sent in for reproduction in the Record—and we are glad to show 'em. How we should like to see Bill Gustin playing first base again. He can bowl alright but there is a bay window in his present physical structure which would incapacitate him from scooping up low throws. And Chick Roarick running bases today! He tried it the other evening and reports say he was flat on the ground as often as on his feet and his heavy breathing reaching first base would have qualified him for doing bellows work in a blacksmith shop.

Roy Coffman, Marshall Hobb and Mayor Hawkins might in a measure put up a good fight against a fourth grade nine except for his mayoralty dignity would give him an alibi

for remaining off the diamond.

It's an interesting picture just the same and the members of the team, reading from left to right are: Roy Coffman, O. C. Schooley, C. H. Roarick, W. R. Gustin, O. J. Hawkins, E. Hall, Marshall Hobbs, "Lefty" Henry and W. T. Mason.

FIRST AID FOR PLAYERS

In baseball, as in factory work, everybody should put safety first. The players are so intent upon making scores for their team that they take risks which sometimes result in personal injury.

Charles Burcham was running for a base; another player's knee struck Charles and

cracked a rib.

Clarence Roarick has a first-aid kit at the refreshment stand and slight injuries are treated there. Get first aid even for slight injuries, and remember that your safety is more important than making a score.

SMILE AWHILE

(Boy with smaller boy): "I want a tooth out, an' I don't want gas 'cos I'm in a 'urry."

Dentist: "That's a brave young man!
Which tooth is it?"

Boy: "Show 'Im your tooth, Albert!"

TRIP IN A TRAILER

The Popes and the Kurrs Try Out "The Rolling Home"

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pope and Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Kurr are back from a vacation trip through Wisconsin. It was made in a trailer and a jolly time "was had by all." Among the points visited was Devil's Lake, a most attractive spot, concerning which Mrs. Pope says: "The accompanying picture was bought from the C. C. C. boy who acted as our guide over the bluffs at Devil's Lake. It is a snap shot which this lad took. We climbed the bluffs and saw wonderful scenery and rock formations. It was so pretty there that we stayed four days instead of the one originally planned. The lake is without mosquitoes, an item which made a hit with me, and the water is crystal clear—making grand swimming. The bluff is 550 feet above the lake and 1400 feet above sea level.

"We spent Tuesday afternoon driving over little side roads and found some beautiful



views and a natural bridge formed of rock. It was about twenty feet across the arch and in a farmer's pasture. We had an awful time finding it as nobody seemed to know where it really was. I think there is a conspiracy among the natives to keep it hidden, and the farmer charged us 10 cents each to get into his pasture and didn't seem to care two hoots whether we went or not. I had a notion to ask him for a job as publicity manager—they need one. It is about the only thing that hasn't been commercialized in this neighborhood. The state owns this park, though, and it isn't commercialized — everything is free except electricity for which we paid 25 cents a day."

BEATS ALL OTHERS

Cole: "They say that Jabber's son could talk when he was three week's old."

Dole: "That isn't in it with Job. The Bible

states he cursed the day he was born."

The Day of All Days — Mueller Annual Picnic, Saturday, Aug. 14.

MUELLER RECORD - EXTRA

Biggest of all Picnics, Saturday, Aug. 14 Mueller Heights, 10 A. M. to 11 P. M.

A DAY OF FUN AND THRILLS

Merry-Go-Round—Ponies—Balloons—Paper Hats — All Free to Children of Mueller Employes

MUSIC-GAMES-CONTESTS

Read the program and be there.

MORNING PROGRAM

10:00 A. M.-Pony rides until 6:00 P. M.

Note:-Children under 12 years of age.

10:00 A. M.-Merry-Go-Round.

10:00 A. M.—Soft Ball Game—Direction C. C. Roarick.

TEAMS

| APPRENTICES | VS. | FOREMEN'S CLUB |
|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Name | Position | NAME |
| Bauer | Catcher . | March |
| Roarick | Pitcher . | Chaney |
| Walton | 1st Base . | Duncan |
| Thompson | ., 2nd Base | Morrison |
| Harris | 3rd Base | |
| Taylor | Short Stop | Roarick |
| Brown | Left Field | Lowe |
| Gilmore | Centerfield | Taylor |
| Uhler | Right Field | Sefton |
| Burcham | Short Field | Linton |
| UTILITY | | UTILITY |
| Tertocha | | Hawkins |

10:00 A. M.—Croquet Tournament (continuing through the day) Wallace Gould, Howard Gragg.

Note—Distribution of Balloons and Paper Caps will begin at 10 A. M.

10:00 A. M.—Horseshoe Tournament (continuing through the day) Earl Gustin, Milo Wright.

12:00 M.—Dinner.

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

Platform Exercises—C. Gordon Jumper, Master of Ceremonies

2:00 P. M.—First Drawing for Sink Combination—Harley Himstead.

Flag Raising-"The Star Spangled Banner."

Boy Scouts and Goodman's Band, direction of Scout Master H. Donald Boggs.

(Program continued on next page)

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

New features for Mueller Picnic — a Merry-Go-Round. Free rides for the children under 16 years. A drawing for children between the ages of 4 and 7 years.

Free doll for some little girl and a wagon for some little boy. Must be son and daughter of Mueller employe and within the age limit specified.

And the ponies will be there as usual.

Hume Sisters-Hill Billy Songs.

Music-Goodman's Band.

The Thompson Quartette.

Music-Goodman's Band.

Xylophone Solo-Robert Rink.

Music-Goodman's Band.

Accordion Selection-Vierman.

Music-Goodman's Band.

Tumbling Act-Directed by Margaret Brady.

Members of Class

Bett Hervey, Mary Hardy, Lois Shaw, Charleen Shaw, Marina Johnson,

Music-"Neapolitan Nights", Goodman's Band.

OUTDOOR FEATURES

1:30 P. M.-Children's Games. Under the direction of the Community Recreation Association of Decatur, Illinois. Charles J. Brightbill, Supt.

> Note:-All games and contests will be held on the Athletic field with the exception of those games for children under six years of age, which will be conducted in the Lodge. Mothers may feel perfectly safe in leaving their little children with this group, while they enjoy the picnic, feeling certain that the little ones will be secure and well cared for.

Age Classifications

Children under 6 years

Boys 6 to 8 years

Girls 6 to 8 years Boys 9 to 11 years Gilrs 9 to 11

Boys 12 to 15 years

Girls 12 to 15 years

Note-See supplementary program for details of children's games and contests).

4 to 6 P. M.—Beano Game — Happy March, Barney Morrison, and Marshall Hobbs.

Afternoon Game 4:30 P- M.

| EAST SIDE | | WEST SIDE |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Roush | Catcher | Edwards |
| White | Pitcher | Flaugher |
| Hanson | 1st Base | Adams |
| Hartwig | 2nd Base | March |
| Bain | 3rd Base | Maddox |
| Anderson | Short Stop | Bond |
| Duncan | Left Field | Fair |
| Lowe | Centerfield | Dudley |
| Gilmore | Right Field | Wilkins |
| Roe | Short Field | d Chaney |

Utility Men Utility Men

Leipski Catcher Lake Dash Pitcher Curry Rambo Utility Stratman Dodwell Utility Brown Charnetzski Utility Hawbaker

4:30 P. M.—Annual Baby Show—E. H. Langdon and Robt. Tauber.

(Note-This will be held at the Athletic Club House. Open to babies born since last picnic.)

5 to 6:30 P. M.—Band concert on Lodge lawn with flag lowering exercises by Boy Scouts under direction of Scout Master H. Donald Boggs.

EVENING PROGRAM

Platform Director-C. F. Roarick.

Ushers—Head Usher--Walter Auer—Don Moyer, Robert Green, Ray Caudle, Rex Smith, George Harshbarger, Gober Hickman, Carl Dodwell, Wm. Rohman.

Note-(The program will start promptly at 7 P. M.

7:00 P. M.—Second Drawing for Sink Combination and Tub Shower Faucet—Harley Himstead.

Address of Welcome-Robert Mueller.

Annual Address-Adolph Mueller.

Mueller Dancing Class Revue-direction Miss Flint.

MUELLER DANCING CLASS REVUE-

Under the Direction of Lucille Flint with Lee Homebrook's Orchestra and Alan Easterling Piano Accompanist

Opening:—Delores Virden, Dorothy Stacey, Betty Virden, Merle Davidson, Lorraine Wright, Clara and Ted Dawson.

Parasol Dance:-Joan Stratman.

Frolics:-Shirley Witt, Lois Dannewitz, Barbara German, Mollie Bence.

Nurse Maids:-Jeanette Otis, Juanita Peifer, Joyce Meador.

Dance Romatique:-Mary and Madonna Langdon.

Russian Dance:-Clara Marie Dawson.

Jumping Jacks:-Leta Redfern, Maureen Witt.

Cooks:-Marilyn March, Virginia Readlinger, Donna Knapp.

Susie Q .: - Ted Dawson.

Little Maids:-Bonnie Morton, Mollie Bence, Eileen Otis.

Cow Girl-Frances Knapp.

Spanish Girls:—Delores Virden, Dorothy Stacey, Betty Virden, Merle Davidson, Lorraine Wright.

Anvil Chorus:-Clara Marie and Ted Dawson.

Finale:-Entire Ciass.

Moving-Pictures:

Colie Dog Herding Sheep - Pop Eye - Meinee, Minee, Mo-Three Stooges.

Dancing-Lee Homebrook's Orchestra.

(Note-Last bus leaves for city at 11 P. M.)

(Note—Attention is called to the fact that the seating facilities in the ampitheater have been greatly improved. Formerly there was only one aisle—in the center of the seats. Two aisles have been added—one at each side. You can help save confusion and expedite seating by following the directions of the ushers.

New flood lights have been installed, giving improved illumination on the stage and in the amphitheater.

MOMENT WITH OUR CARTOONIST











Catherine Stacey, graduate of the Decatur High School. She is a daughter of Claude Stacey, a member of our organization.

Rex Smith of the pattern room is developing his talent for cartooning.

Upper right is his conception of what happened to Don Ferry, when he started his car and a safety bomb exploded with a vicious roar. Don had been "riding" Harley Himstead for several days and Harley, in his usual easy way, took it good-naturedly, but his intimates noticed an increasing vicious look in his eye. No one saw Harley put the safety bomb in Don's car, but as Andy says, "the guilty finger points to him."

Upper left is John Smith and his new small Willy's car. John stands 6 feet, two inches and Rex wondered why John chose such a small car — whether it was done with a view of stepping over it or for wearing as a watch charm when not driving.

and Rea wondered why donn chose such a small car — whether it was done with a view of stepping over it or for wearing as a watch charm when not driving.

His third subject is Cecelia Cochran, formerly stenographer for Frank Mueller, but now holds a government stenographer's position in Washington. Rex wanted Cecelia's friends to see her in Pennsylvania Avenue clothes and her "capital air."

CHATTANOOGA

Stanley Mate is back at work after vacationing a week in Birmingham, Alabama.

Mrs. Alice Burkhart entertained Thursday evening, July 8, in honor of Mrs. Mildred Edwards, a member of our office force, who was recently married. Girls from the office were present.

Monte Henderson left Chattanooga on July 2 for the Pacific Coast Factory, where he will be located. We were sorry to see Mr. and Mrs. Henderson leave Chattanooga but we wish them every success in their new location.

Here's that picture of Cecil Coffin on Paul Jacka's bathing suit we promised you last month. The cartoon was drawn by "Chuck" Chamberlain, of the Engineering Department.



BY THE OFFICE PICHIC

CECIL WEARS MR JACKA'S BATHING SUIT

Mary Wilson is back with her files in the Sales Department after spending two weeks in Los Angeles. While in Los Angeles Main had the opportunity of visiting the Pacific Coast Factory.

"Chuck" Coventry is now a member of the Chattanooga sales force, having been transferred from Decatur recently. And does he like the South!

We are installing a safety board at the entrance to the Chattanooga Factory. This board is installed for the purpose of making

our men more safety conscious about their work. The numbers of the various departments of the factory will be shown on this board. When an employee is injured and loses time from his work, the hours he loses each day due to his accident will be shown opposite his department number. In this way a man can see at a glance just how many hours are lost for his department for every month of the year.

Frances Noles, of the sales department, is taking her vacation this week in Terre Haute.



Mr. and Mrs. Martin Haynes and son, Nick Mr. Haynes is foreman of the Machine Shop at Chattanooga.

HUNTING "DE MONK"

George White's Wide Acquaintance Made Him Logical Agent

One day Mr. Adolph attended a swell picnic in Miama, Florida. The society folks were highly entertained by a hurdy gurdy man with the ever begging monkey. He thought so well of this performance that he suggested that we procure one for our annul picnic. To Rick fell the task of finding the hurdy man. It occurred to him that our salesman, George White, who has extensive acquaintance in Illinois, would be just the man to help the committee and he requested Carl Draper of the Sales Department to ask George.

The following is the letter written to George by Carl:

Dear George:

I don't want you to think that I am the originator of this idea. I am simply putting it to you as it was put to me.

C. F. Roarick requested me that I have you procure or secure the name of the party own-

TWO COZY HOMES





Right, W. E. Corley, 1100 N. Taylor street: Mr. Corley is employed in Dept. 8. Left, Harley Himstead, 1112 W. Cerro Gordo street. Harley is employed in the office of Frank H. Mueller.

ing a grind-organ and a monkey. These are desired for the annual picnic, Aug. 14.

I suggested to "Chick" that, in order to save money, that he simply secure the organ, dress you up as an organ-grinder and put a chain around my neck, but he doesn't think that would work. He stated that, inasmuch as your territory is partly in the sticks, you would probably be in position to put us in touch with some Italian owning an organ and monkey

I have my doubts about this. Even though I know you have many accomplishments, that you know many people and have numerous friends, I still doubt if you know an organ

and a monkey.

However, if you do, let us have word from you by return mail, and we will get in touchwith this party and see if we cannot procure him for our picnic on Aug. 14.

BASEBALL AS IT ISN'T PLAYED

Players Go to Sleep—Fall Over Themselves Get Charley Horses and What Not

Great preparations were made for the Office and Shop Foreman's baseball game which was held at Mueller Heights on the evening of July 29.

Bill Ferry expected to be one of the most important players on the team. He was asking everyone to be present and when the time came to play ball Bill wasn't there. His wife found him at home asleep.

She rushed him out to the ball game only to find that when he arrived he was disquali-

filed for being late.

Ed Stille, a member of the same team, thought he was a ball player, but after he hit the first ball he felt that he was 80 years old and gave up running.

When Rick was rounding out second base at full speed he tripped over the pin which holds the base in place and turned a somersault but landed right side up, none the worse except a skinned knee and torn trousers.

Humpy Behrns, one of the has-been ball players, was very much disappointed and jealous of the other players, due to the fact that he was shown up in many ways. The last time up to bat Behrns was determined to kill the ball. He just about killed himself. He whizzed completely around and fell down and got up and before he reached first base he went down again and then decided he would quit playing ball.

This game was so hot that almost all of the members of both teams tried their hand at pitching, and Elmer Fawley, who was umpiring behind the plate jumped high enough to

catch some of the balls.

The final score showed a tie of 22 to 22. This great contest question will have to be continued at a later date.

PRECAUTION

Her Suitor: Sir, may I have your daughter?

Real Estate Man: Yes, but you'll have to sign a two-year lease."

LITERARY NOTE

Small Boy: "My father wants a slice of ham, please, and would you please wrap it up in the continuation of the story that you sent him the first chapter of with the beef yesterday?"

"You didn't take a vacation last year, did you?"

"No; I thought I needed a rest."

"Dad, it says here that a certain man was a financial genius. What does this mean?"

"That he could earn money faster than his family could spend it."

| Office Francisco | 0 | ^ | , | | | | | R | H | E |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Office Foremen | 3 | U | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 22 | 22 | 8 |
| Shop | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 22 | 24 | 8 |
| Batteries: Office - | | | | | | | | | | |

p.; Edmonson, c.

Shop: Kramer, Woods, p.; Dunaway, c. Home Runs: Auer and Wiant for office, Tauber and Behrns for shop.

Decatur Beats Harristown

The Harristown team and Mueller played a close game, resulting in a victory for Muellers. It was a close game throughout with many fast plays. A triple play by Harristown was a feature. In the fourth inning Maddox hit a double down the left field line to drive in the tying run, and in the eighth Fair hit a single over second to drive in Maddox with the winning run. Taylor and Sieweck, each striking out six men while Taylor struck out the side in the first inning.

Harristown 0 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 8 3 Muellers 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 2 x 5 9 4

Batteries: Harristown-Sieweck, p.; Boyer,

Mueller—Taylor, p.; Roush, c. Home runs: Duncan and Hanson.

Mueller Soft Ball League

The soft ball league is going along in good shape and playing to good attendance. The Specialty team leads the league. The record of the Mueller League since last report follows:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 R H E Miss. Valley...3 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 5 6 0 Muellers.....2 1 1 0 1 3 0 0 x 8 8 6

Batteries—M. Y. Atkins, Cripe. p.; Sheets, Jones, c.

Mueller-Taylor, p.; Roush, c.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 R H E Garfield Married Men 1 0 0 0 0 3 0 4 5 5 5 Muellers 4 1 1 2 3 2 x 13 16 5

Batteries: G. D. Oliver, p.: Hughes, c. Muellers: White, p.; Roush, c.

Johns Hill Dads 0 0 2 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 4 6 5 Mueller 0 3 3 0 2 0 4 0 x 12 16 4 Batteries: Johns Hill Dads: Strocher, p.;

x Ducey, c.

Muellers: Dash, Taylor, p.; Roush, c.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 R H E

Black Hdw. Co. . . . 0 1 0 2 0 . . . 3 6 1

Muellers 1 0 0 0 0 x . 1 4 2

Batteries: Black, Rokosch, p.; Redeing, c.

Mueller: Taylor, p.; Roush, c.

xGame rained out.

Batteries: Rosenberg—Paradiso, Langsfeld and Lorenz, p.; Ducey, c. Muellers: White and Taylor, p.; Roush, c.

Team Batting

 Teams
 AB R H BB SO 2BH 8E HR Ave.

 Utility
 371 110 137 18 14 22 3 7 369

 Appren.
 269 79 90 21 21 13 3 8 348

| Plumb. | 280 | 88 | 95 | 22 | 11 | 19 | 98 | 12 | .340 |
|-----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| Spec. | 275 | 83 | 91 | 10 | 15 | 18 | 3 | 10 | .331 |
| Maint. | 212 | 56 | 66 | 15 | 18 | 8 | 8 | 4 | .312 |
| Polishers | 174 | 40 | 49 | 22 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1 | .286 |
| Office | 261 | 73 | 74 | 13 | 9 | 14 | 8 | 7 | .284 |
| Plant 2 | 221 | 41 | 58 | 14 | 9 | 7 | 5 | Ö | .262 |

The team standings for end of the first round of play:

| | Won | Lost | Pc. |
|-------------|-----|------|------|
| Specialty | 6 | 1 | .857 |
| Office | 5 | 2 | .714 |
| Utility | 5 | 2 | .714 |
| Plumbing | 5 | 2 | .714 |
| Maintenance | 3 | 4 | .428 |
| Plant 2 | 2 | .5 | .286 |
| Apprentices | 2 | 5 | .286 |
| Polishers | 0 | 7 | .000 |

10 High Batters - 4 or More Games

| Players | Team | Pc. |
|-----------|-------------|------|
| Lake | Polishers | .572 |
| Leipski | Utility | .538 |
| E. Duncan | Office | .527 |
| Mercer | Polishers | .525 |
| Maddox | Plumber | .500 |
| Grossman | Specialty | .500 |
| Dudley | Maintenance | .480 |
| Flaugher | Specialty | .476 |
| Hansen | Utility | .475 |
| Rambo | Plant 2 | .462 |
| Bauer | Apprentice | .462 |
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OLD TIME FIREMEN



Decatur's first fire department was Volunteer No. 1. Among the members were William Danzeisen and W. H. Barnett, who recently paid us a visit. Members of the Mueller Co. are particularly interested in surviving members of this organization for the reason that Fred B. Mueller was prominent in it. The two men in the picture hold speaking trumpets, used by the old volunteers. These were presented to Mueller Co. for safe keeping.

"What's Cora so peeved about?"

"Oh," she says "it was bad enough walking home from the automobile rides, but this parachute jumping is getting on her nerves."

BASIL MASON TO TEXAS

Basil Mason, of the Engineering and Experimental Labaratory, left Decatur August 4, bound for Houston, Texas. He travels in the Company's demonstration truck and will show the people of Texas the manifold advantages of the Mueller methods of control of high pressure gas.

Our laboratory has been developing a line of specialties to make the handling of high pressure gas safe and easier. This is the line introduced by T. A. Larry of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Mason accompanies her husband. On Tuesday noon, August 3, the boys in the Experimental Department surprised Basil by presenting him with a fine pen and pencil set. This is in appreciation of their confidence and good will in which we all share.

Basil is taking a camera with him and we will be expecting photographs of long-horn steers, bucking broncos, oil gushers and bath.

ing beauties.

RECENT VISITORS WERE:

H. W. Smeed, Employment Manager at Oakes Production Corp.

D. M. Heston, of the Coil Manufacturing Company of Evansville, Indiana. They buy our goods.

C. C. Braden of Rock Island, Illinois. Charley formerly worked in our tool room, and now, with his brother, operates a plant that manufactures oil burners.

Wm. Severe guided his daughter, Lila, and her friend, Edith Corley, through the plant on July 21.

Alexander Monthie of Stuyvesant Falls, New York, who has been visiting the C. F. Roarick family, went through the plant on July 28.

BRASS CHIPS

Pete Aleckner of Plant 2 has been laid up in St. Mary's hospital for a time with arthritis.

Edna Johnston, who has been assistant to Nienna Greening in the Purchasing Department, has been substituting for Mrs. Helen Pope, who took her vacation the first week in August.

Glen Gideon, who was laid off from the foundry in June, took an automobile trip to California and returned with relatives.

Bernice Spencer, daughter of Orville Spencer of the Shipping Department, had an opportunity to go for a western automobile trip with relatives. They visited California in July.

Virgil Morrison of Plant 2 and Wilda Lee were married on Friday, July 30, at 6 o'clock at the First Christian church.

Fern Pope, our nurse, was gone for a week's vacation in July. Among the places she visited were the Ozark Mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Pippin and sons, Clarence and Everett, spent two weeks va-cationing among the lakes of Minnesota, They report good fishing.

Paymaster Enloe and wife and son Charles spent two weeks fishing in the lakes of Northern Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Yonker and Dorothy Knauss drove Mr. Adolph's station wagon to Miama, Florida. The Yonkers will return to Decatur with another car

Billy Draper, who spent several weeks in the Shipping Department, has been shifted to the Experimental Room of Department 9. His sister, Helen, is helping in the main office on some statistical work.

While Curly Walton of the Prass Foundry was playing ball one evening he missed his footing and cracked a bone in his ankle, but he didn't let that keep him off work but a few days.

On July 17 J. W. Wells discussed patents before the Apprentice School. He told some interesting things about patents held by Mueller Co.

DEATHS

Roger T. Williams

Roger T. Williams, aged 63 years, was killed Thursday, July 22, in a plunge from a hotel in Eastland, Texas, where he had been employed. The body was brought back to Decatur for burial. He was born in Mt. Zion but the family later moved to Decatur where relatives still reside. The older members of the organization well remember Roger who was for a number of years a traveling salesman for Mueller goods.

WHEN HUNGRY

Guide (breathless): I just saw a man-eating tiger!

Guided (preocupied): Some men will eat anything.

0 VACATION TIME

"I'd like to see the captain of this ship." "He's forward, Miss."

"Well, I don't care, this is a vacation trip." -0-

Not a Repeater

"Twins," phoned proud papa to the newspaper reporter. "Repeat that," she said. "Not me," said papa.