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## THE MISSING LINK

The last link binding us to the boys at the front is so simple and yet important that those of us who fail to meet the obligation, are guilty of neglect. It's unintentional, perhaps, and in extenuation we may say due to forgetfulness or perhaps an inferiority complex.

We are referring to letters, cheerful, gossipy letters. When you let yourself think that you can't write a letter, you are surrendering to that complex. As a man thinketh so is he! You can talk, can't you? You can see things, can't you and you can write, can't you? Admission of these gifts is proof of the fact that you can write a letter. The whole task consists of putting on paper the thoughts that you express orally in daily conversation with your friends and neighbors. If you are not trained in writing the chances are in favor of you writing a better letter than one who is accustomed to corresponding. You will write naturally and not in a showy, stilted style. What our boys need is letters about affairs in your neighborhood, letters about people that you know and they know, what their friends are doing in the factory, what they are talking about in their idle hours, in sports, in the city, giving your own views. Nothing is too small or inconsequential.

They don't want letters full of questions of national politics and economic problems, and least of all do they want bewailing and bemoaning of war, its horrors and its hardships. They know all about that and they don't need to be reminded of the bloody business. Neither do they want gloomy letters full of pity, apprehension and "sob-sister rot."

Throughout the country there is a movement stimulating home folks to write letters to soldiers.

There is nothing the boys want so badly as cheery, good natured letters. You can help—Do it. Write today.

Make some soldier happy with the thought that he is remembered by the folks back home.

To them it will be as stimulating as a tonic.

You are the doctor.

## ARMY-NAVY "E" AWARD

### Distinguished Honors Will Be Paid Employes and Company.

Arrangements are being completed for presentation and acceptance of the Army-Navy "E" Award in recognition of your fine achievement in producing war equipment.

Ceremonies will be observed in the High School Gymnasium Thursday, May 27, at 4:00 P. M. preceded by a band concert beginning at 3:30 P. M.

Army and Navy officers and their Aides will be present representing the government.

The exercises will be along lines followed at the Army award, but somewhat more impressive. Begin now to plan to attend with your family. It will be a fine, historical gathering, something you will remember with pride as having been a part of this affair.

Watch the bulletin boards for additional information.

## KEEP 'EM WHIRLING

### President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill Give Encouragement and Hope

The annual Convention of the Chamber of Commerce, composed of business men, manufacturers and professional men has just closed.

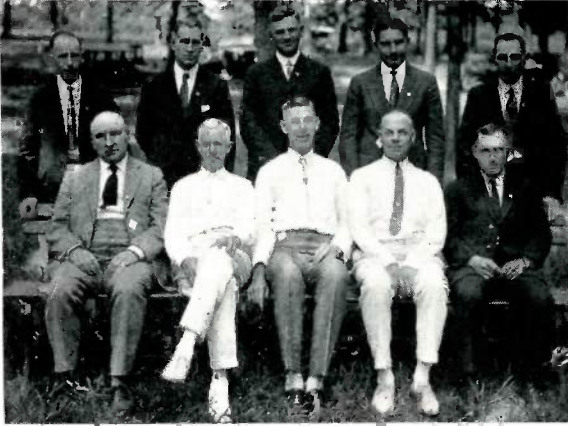
Letters from President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill were read at the meeting and from these we make a few excerpts.

#### The President:

In a democracy, difference of opinion as to methods of reaching an objective may be

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## IDENTIFIED



This is the same picture printed in the last Record with a suggestion for identification. It did not take Lou Schario long. He names the group as follows:

Back row, standing: Herschel Wacaser, Frank Miller, W. R. Gustin, Charles Roarick and Louis Schario.

Front row, seated: Frank Orr, William T. Mason, John Shelton, Charles E. Lincoln and Julius Pottach.

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expected, but on the overall task of defeating the Axis powers there is United Determination.

Only by team work on the part of labor and management could we have reached the present high peak of production so essential to the successful prosecution of the war.

Our factories are now turning out munitions of war which in quantities and effectiveness far exceed the expectations of our enemies when they decided to make war on us and our way of life.

But we are not satisfied. We must not be satisfied. More cooperation, more team work and more production, all the way from the farms and mines through the assembly lines, will enable us to win the war more quickly.

Members of the United States Chamber of Commerce may well be proud of the contribution that has been made under your leadership. I have opportunity to know of and appreciate that leadership.

We are meeting the challenge of war and meeting it in a way that brings comfort to our people, and fear to our enemies.

**The Prime Minister:**

We asked for tools. You gave them to us.

Without the constant flow from your factories to supplement output, Allied Armies

## CAFETERIA STILL GOOD

**Food Is Excellent and Prices Are the Lowest**

As we progress under the rationing and other restrictions we wonder at times how management plans such good and wholesome meals as are served at the cafeteria. The other day we decided on a vegetable lunch. Here is what was served us:

Beets  
Turnips  
Green Beans  
Banana Pie

The total cost was 29 cents. The Editor's wife came in for lunch and the total charge was only sixty cents. We frequently eat at a good little home restaurant, and the remark was made that the two servings we enjoyed cost only what one of the lunches would have cost at the restaurant referred to. In addition the servings were twice as large as the restaurant serves.

These somewhat personal statements are made to prove that we get plenty of good food for our money, and more for less money than served in restaurants.

There is no just cause for complaint about the quantity or quality of our food. It is well cooked and wholesome and more than this it is cooked and served under sanitary surroundings.

What more can you want or ask for. Keep in mind that the company acting in harmony with rules and restrictions, can do just so much and no more.

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"TRIMMER'S TROUBADOURS"

During the process of melting out the lead connections in a sewer pipe for the third floor office, "Tuck" Thompson suddenly began singing his version of "I don't want to set the World on Fire," and finished with a strip act as an encore. Hot lead had mysteriously worked into his clothing. "Tuck" was "Burned up about the Whole Situation."

Ted McKown (The Man on the Flying Trapeze), while hanging by one arm from a high overhead air pipe, gave us one verse of "The Little Ladder that wasn't there."

Swing it boys!

could not have gained the remarkable victories of the last six months.

All our future efforts to accomplish purposes of this righteous war against aggression and to bring it to a final decision at earliest moment depends upon your faithful exertions of munition plants and kindred industries of every description.

These will assuredly be forthcoming in generous measure from all true friends of freedom and with them we may move forward together in comradeship and indeed in brotherhood through overthrow of our Embattled enemies in Europe and Asia to that brighter age which is our heart's desire.

## BEAUTIFUL FLOAT IN ARMY PARADE



The Army show, May 9th, preceded by a parade three miles long, and ending with a sham battle in the far west corner of Fairview park was a spectacular event as any one of the thirty-five thousand witnesses will testify. There is a whole lot that could be said about it but the details would become tiresome, especially so when one half of Decatur's estimated population was on hand to see it all for themselves. The parade composed of army tanks, marching soldiers, five or six bands, industrial semi-military guards, commercial and industrial floats, troop of cavalry guards, flags, banners, enthusiasm, color, and last but not least, the Mueller float which we think was one of the features of a day marked with features. Along the entire line of march our contribution was greeted with loud and sincere applause.

The accompanying picture gives the reader, who did not see it, some idea of its artistic beauty, but fails to convey the gleaming whiteness, the beauty of design and the pretty, vivacious girls in costume. This float was designed and its construction supervised by Ray Kileen of the Engineering department. It was a happy blending of the theme of liberty, freedom and industrial patriotism held together by the living statue of Liberty and two active young girls working on munition goods. An orderly and systematic display was made of the products of Plant 3. The float was the handsomest, most artistic, most interest compelling that ever represented our company in a parade.

It is quite natural that Ray Kileen should have a feeling of pride in his accomplish-



ments, made possible, as he says, by the whole-hearted cooperation of those who assisted in carrying out the details.

The Mueller girls who gave their youth and beauty to the human side of the display were:

Nellie Fishburn—Goddess of Liberty  
Darlene Trimmer—1st shift, Plant 3,

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## SHOCKING DEATH

### Richard, Son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Probst Killed by Dynamite Explosion

The shocking death of Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Probst, Syracuse, N. Y., called forth the deepest sympathy of all their Mueller and Decatur friends.

Harold was a former member of our office force, but some years ago was made a member of the traveling sales force, retiring recently after enlistment. He now ranks as a lieutenant.

The death of Richard was tragic. With a companion, John Heath, he had gone on a squirrel hunt. A shot from the rifle struck a small building owned by a farmer, who had stored therein 1,400 pounds of dynamite. An instant, terrific explosion followed. Although 100 feet distant Richard apparently was in direct line of the blast. He was instantly killed. His companion was stunned and bruised but escaped fatal consequences.

Richard was a native of Decatur, where he was born July 27th, 1929. He had grown into a fine upstanding lad.

The body was brought to Decatur and funeral services were held in Dawson & Wikoff parlors, May 3rd. The burial was in Fairlawn Cemetery. Members of Mueller Boy Scouts acted as pall bearers.

In addition Richard is survived by three grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Johnson and Mrs. Ada May Probst.

## VICTORY GARDENS

### Valuable Information on Your Unescapable Fight Against

#### Insects

Every Mueller Victory Gardener must know that the ultimate success of their efforts depends largely on an active fight against insect pests. Omit this and the insects will have a good time for themselves. Just how you can beat the bugs is given in a University of Illinois Bulletin on "Insecticides for the Victory Garden." The title indicates clearly that the bulletin has been prepared for your benefit. The bulletin is liberally illustrated, gives formulas, methods and time of application. This is all done briefly and plainly in simple language.

We have asked the U. of I. for a quantity of this bulletin and hope to have them for distribution within a few days.

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Weighing and Gauging shot  
Gladys Jenkins—Burring Brass bands on shot.

There was just one touch which does not show in the picture because of the angle from which the photograph was taken. That was the big red, white and blue "V" on the front of the float.

## BRASS CHIPS

The third floor, which for many years was the "office home" of many of us, will soon be a memory only. The wreckers are busy tearing it out.

Two million soldiers buy war bonds every pay day. Also they fight every day they are called on, you do not have to fight, neither do you have to buy bonds. But you should. Buying bonds is a patriotic and loyal duty. Surely you can do one-half—the safe half—of what the boys at the front are doing. Your half is not only safe, but it's profitable. Every \$18.75 paid by you means \$25.00 later on.

If our "war gardeners" get crops in proportion to the change they are given, they are not going to go hungry through the winter.

For several days we have thought we heard a familiar hammering upon the third floor, but we could make no reasonable connection with who or what it might be. But then when we came to work we found George Presnall at the main entrance, grinning and shaking hands with old friends. George was the carpenter of this organization for several years, and used to help us build the displays for conventions. That's how we happened to recognize his hammer strokes. George is now a member of the Christy organization.

Bud Simpson reported to the draft board fully expecting acceptance of his service in the army, but he was turned down because of some physical disability. Nothing serious we understand, but sufficient to cause his rejection.

## TIME TO EAT

Here is the new schedule at the Cafeteria.—Let's go!

11:00 a.m.—Tool Room & Plumbing Division

11:10 a.m.—Building Maintenance

11:15 a.m.—Dept. 300

11:20 a.m.—Pattern Shop, Core Room & Foundry

11:30 a.m.—Dept. 8 & Engineering Dept.

11:40 a.m.—Office

You may have missed the bulletin. Let your stomach be your guide in accordance with the one issued by the Work's Managers office.

## BOB GATES IMPROVES

Bobby Gates has been confined to the hospital for a week or two. Now he is on the way to recovery. Sunday, May 9th, he was able to leave the hospital and join the family for the evening meal. In the beginning he tangled with a case of poison ivy, not necessarily serious, but very annoying. As if this were not enough, he accumulated a carbuncle on his neck, which is something to think about. However, Bobby is almost out of the woods.

## NEITHER HERE NOR THERE

### Being Further Ruminations Through Our Rain-Washed Windows

Our Spring Song is a little dampened by the great and strenuous activities of old Jup Pluvius who seems to have heard something about the present day tendency for working overtime . . . We wonder if Jup has heard about time and a half. Or maybe he's just making his contribution to the young Victory gardens . . . Well, water is a wonderful thing. Don't know what we'd do without it. Sometimes we don't know what to do with so much of it, but we'll manage. . . . Come to think of it, our company all of its life has been concerned with the control of water for the greater health and happiness of mankind. Which makes us practically an active partner of that doughty Olympian, Jupiter Pluvius.

Evelyn Jendry, our switchboard operator—or, as the modern term has it, secretary of communication—has been forced to return to the hospital for treatment and rest. A swift and successful convalescence to you, Evelyn.

"Uncle" Bob Gates—guess we should call him secretary or vice-president or something of horticulture for our organization—is recovering in Decatur and Macon County Hospital from a several weeks' illness. Mr. Gates' sympathies are all with Job of Scriptural fame who was also tried by fire—and boils.

The float-builders are receiving praise and honorable mentions a-plenty for their very attractive offering in the Salute to Industry parade staged by the Army and local industry on May 9. The indefatigable Ray Kileen can now worry about something else besides crepe paper, Miss Liberty's diadem, subway clearances—and, big headache!—the weather. By this time, however, Ray is probably deep in another project.

The smiles of Miss Liberty and of Darline, who kept the production line going on the float, attracted favorable comment from the thousands of onlookers. We were very proud of them.

Speaking of Miss Liberty, we believe her smile is extra big these days because she has a new ring. Yep, you guessed, from that soldier boy. Well, here's luck and best wishes, Nellie.

Speaking of weddings we've been interested in hearing about the coming marriage of Vivian Colglazier, Wera's daughter, who is being married June 1 to Cadet James R. Thomas, in the West Point Military Acad-

## ON GUARD



Meet Roger Len Drake, two months old son of John Drake, guard at Plant 3, living at 356 Longview.

## WEDDINGS

Wanda I. Johnson became the bride of Harold Ashcraft of Plant 3 on Easter Sunday. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. H. Ewert, pastor of the Second United Brethren Church in the parsonage of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashcraft are now at home at 1073 N. Edward Street.

## WSOY EXERCISES

In honor of WSOY, local radio station joining the NBC, appropriate services were held in the local studio Sunday p.m., May 2nd. Quite a few speakers representing local enterprises and industries were in attendance to speak and express good wishes. Mr. O. C. Keil represented Mueller Co. Franz Eakins, formerly a part-time member of this organization but now with the Staley Co., represented that company.

emy chapel the afternoon following Cadet Thomas' graduation from West Point. Vivian worked in the office with us for a time, and we all wish her the best.

Ruth Betzer and Reba Rentfro are working in the Advertising Department. Welcome back, girls.

Mr. Adolph Mueller returned from his winter in Florida in time to celebrate his May 8 birthday. Furthermore, we all received a birthday present from Mr. Adolph—a delicious, juicy, Florida orange. Many happy returns, Mr. Adolph.

## REPAIR DEPT. WINS

### Bowling Season Activities Wind Up With Sweepstakes Tuesday, May 18th

The bowling tournament ended Tuesday, May 11, and here follows the statistical story of a fine, successful winter and spring campaign. The Repair Dept. came out in the lead while the Bombers went "Boom" at the bottom.

W. (Humpy) Behrns is the champion high bowler, and the Works Managers Office team, of which he is a member, was on top with the high record for one game and also for three games.

W. Edwards of the winning Repair Department team landed in first place as individual high, 258, for one game. The individual high for three games was won by A. Flaughner, 698.

The Sweepstakes tourney will be held Tuesday evening, May 18th, and this will be the grand finale for the season of 1942-43. At the time this Record was released for printing the sweepstakes prizes had not been selected. You'll hear about it in the June Record.

### FINAL STANDING Mueller Bowling League

May 11, 1943

Team	G	W	L	Pct.	Ave.	H.G.	H(3)G
Repair Dept.	105	59	46	.562	789	910	2575
Works Mgr. Of.	105	57	48	.543	816	1011	2680
Spec. Div.	105	57	48	.543	759	954	2595
Tool Makers	105	54	51	.514	789	975	2650
Prod. Engers.	105	52	53	.495	768	916	2668
Tank Busters	105	48	57	.457	771	910	2579
Pattern Shop	105	47	58	.448	781	947	2672
Bombers	105	46	59	.438	763	933	2567

### Ten High Bowlers

W. Behrns—Works Mgr. Office	102	186	251
A. Flaughner—Tool Makers	97	180	244
E. Blankenburg—Pattern Shop	86	179	225
W. Edwards—Repair Dept.	96	172	258
D. Reidelberger—Repair Dept.	105	172	234
R. Hill—Specialty Div.	101	170	224
H. Stratman—Specialty Div.	99	170	257
L. Adams—Bombers	54	169	243
A. Thompson—Tank Busters	92	169	223
A. Werdes—Prod. Engers.	75	168	229
A. Blankenburg—Bombers	78	168	229

### Team High (1) Game

Works Mgr. Office	1011
Tool Makers	975
Specialty Division	954
Pattern Shop	947
Bombers	933

### Individual High (1) Game

W. Edwards	258
H. Stratman	257
W. Behrns	251
A. Flaughner	244
L. Adams	243

### Team High (3) Games

Works Mgr. Office	2680
Pattern Shop	2672
Products Engineers	2668
Tool Makers	2650
Specialty Division	2595

### Individual High (3) Games

A. Flaughner	698
L. Adams	628
W. Behrns	626
D. Reidelberger	624
W. Edwards	616

## TOOL GRINDERS WIN

### End Bowling Season Champs of Morning League

The Mueller Morning League has finished the season, May 6, with the Tool Grinders on top. The final report shows:

Team	G.	W.	L.	Pct.	Ave.
1—Tool Grinders	72	46	26	.639	823
2—Tool Makers	72	41	31	.569	824
3—Tool Setters	72	33	38	.465	829
4—Becker Wild Cats	72	24	48	.333	725

### FIVE HIGH BOWLERS

Hartwig—T'l Setters	72	190	257
Blankenburg—T'l Makers	66	183	245
Nalefski—T'l Setters	72	180	242
Leipski—T'l Grinders	72	177	245
Keller—T'l Setters	69	174	224

### Ind. High (1) Game

E. Hartwig	257
R. Leipski	245
H. Blankenburg	245
R. Larus	244

### Ind. High (3) Games

E. Hartwig	687
H. Blankenburg	634
E. Nalefski	628
V. Keller	624



## TWO MORE DAYS

The month of May brought us two new days to observe. So far as we know this will be the initial observance. The first fell on Sunday, May 16, known as "I Am An American Day." The second falls on Saturday, May 22nd, and will be known as National Maritime Day, commemorating sailing of the S.S. Savannah on the first successful steampower transoceanic voyage. Both of these days were set part by presidential proclamation. The Savannah, named after the Georgian city, was not wholly dependent on steam for propulsion. It was still rigged with sails, which aided and abetted propulsion. However, the ship gets credit in maritime history as the first steamer to cross the Atlantic. The success of the Savannah stirred other enterprising men to follow suit and in the early 1820's a number of steamships were ploughing through Atlantic waves. From these ships with inadequate power and poor accommodations came the giant of the sea of today with every comfort and luxury that wealth and desire to travel can command has been a long term of development.

Today these giants like the Leviathan, Queen Mary and Normandie are out of passenger service. Too much Hitler and too many Hitler submarines.



Miss Smith: "Did that course in English help your boy friend any?"

Miss Tellman: "No, he still ends every sentence with a proposition."



## SARNIA

**Marriages:** Miss Beverly Davis of Dept. 14 to Leonard Hugget of this city on April 28th. George Foslett of Dept. 14 married Miss Katherine Davidson of the Mueller Bond Room on April 10.

**Births:** Mr. and Mrs. George Lucas, announced the arrival of their daughter Ellen Diane on May 5—mother and baby doing nicely.

Doris Cuthbertson and Enid Somes of Dept. 14 are at work again, also Shirley Kirkland of the office staff.

Shirley Scott, Purchasing Dept. has been confined to her home for ten days.

Isobel Danby, Accounting Dept., Lois McPhee, Billing Dept. and Celestine Dionne, Stationery Dept., are dazzling us with their beautiful new diamonds.

Well, today, May 8th, is Marge Ansell's big day. Most of the girls from the office are attending the wedding to be held in Trinity Anglican Church, Sombra, Ontario, the reception being held at Hotel Washburn. The bridegroom is Bernard W. (Tom) Marr of Sombra, Ontario. Best of luck Marge and Tom. (We almost didn't let Marge leave us as she forgot to file her Termination of Service Form.)

The Mueller Bowling Banquet went off with a Bang! After a delicious roast beef dinner at Mallah Park, Lake Shore Road, R. McIntyre spoke briefly and presented the prize money to the captains of the winning teams. J. Milne presented the Mueller Cup to Art Last, captain of the winning team the "Service Clamps." Lloyd French, who took the place of Mr. R. Bevan of the Union Gas Co. of Canada, presented the Bevan Cup to Miss Alison Street who had the highest Ladies average. After the presentations were made dancing was enjoyed to the music of a Nickelodeon. Two special features in the dancing was Jitterbugging by Winnie Devine and John Salak, and a Conga led by Alison Street. It certainly was a lot of fun.

Lorna Luckham and Marion Forbes have taken over their duties in the Payroll Dept. We welcome several new members to our office staff—Doris McLaughlin, Shirley Guthrie and Evelyn Stuchberry.

Ike Lampel received a phone call the other day from Muellers telling him to pick up some scrap machinery. He came and asked our purchasing agent, Bert Campbell where it was. Bert didn't know anything about it, as we found out later that a lathe operator in the War Dept. had said, jokingly to a new girl inspector, "go call Lampel and tell him to take this machine away" and she obeyed his instructions. She must have been a blonde!

Former Mueller employees now in the Armed Forces recently visited at our plant are Tom Norris, of the R.C.A.C., Herb Callister and Bob Bannister of the R.C.A.F.

We extend our sympathy to Gunner Norman Harrison, R.C.A.C. in the loss of his mother.

The wee mite in the picture is MaryJane Elizabeth Hollinger, 6 months old daughter of Jimmie Hollinger of the Sales Dept. Jimmie will very soon be leaving little MaryJane and Mrs. Hollinger to take up a position with Uncle Sam in the American Army. Best of luck Jimmie.



A backwoods mountaineer found a mirror which a tourist had lost.

"Well, if it ain't my old dad," he said as he looked into the mirror. "I never knowed he had his pitcher took." He took it home.

That night while he slept, his wife found the mirror. "Hah!" she said, looking into it, "so that's the old hag he's been chasin' lately!"

The Presbyterian, McIntyre, is slipping. He had an opportunity one rainy day this week to bump off a couple of good United Church people and muffed the chance. Suppose he's getting old?

We wonder what kind of a trip Scottie Milne had in Windsor last week. All we've heard since is about the white uniforms that the Hobby Horse Riders wear, and the oats for breakfast. Maybe we should ask Mr. French?

## Good Work Sarnia

(This article about the Victory Loan was written by Chas. Browett, of the Accounting Department.)

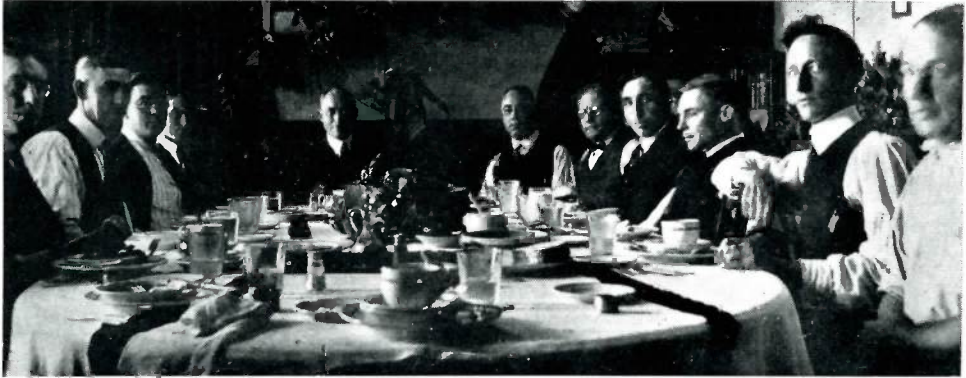
One thing this war has taught us is sacrifice. Sometimes we have wondered whether or not the "other fellow" has appreciated the word as much as we ourselves have.

Well, the month of April gave us the answer. The April 15th pay was the first with the "pay-as-you-earn" Income Tax feature on the deduction side. Some people wondered whether or not the old purse would stand it because the new tax deductions just aren't funny any more. Come pay day and not a murmur. The Mueller gang in Sarnia "took it on the chin." "Well," we thought, "it didn't break the camel's back, but it will play h— on the Victory Loan campaign!"

We were wrong again. April 26th came along. Frank Laskier spoke to us in the War Dept. in the morning and Frank Dowsett spoke at 10:45 at night. The Fourth Victory Loan canvassers went to work "writing them up" and by Wednesday, April 28th,

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## ADOLPH'S BIRTHDAY "NOW AND THEN"



Saturday, May 8th, was the birthday of Mr. Adolph, a fact that his office friends, Foreman's Club and Brugh Werner did not overlook. There were flowers and good wishes on his desk as well as personal congratulations. The outstanding feature was the birthday cake presented to him Friday evening by Brugh Werner. Brugh not only presented the cake but he made and baked it himself, which emphasized the affair. We don't know what he said but something like this would have been appropriate. "Adolph as one cook to another." Those Oakawites will understand how fitting this would have been.

Since writing about Adolph's birthday, May 8th, we were fortunate enough through the aid of Roy Coffman to recall another birthday back in 1922. A photograph of that event is herewith reproduced. There was some class to that occasion as you will note by the table decorations. Seated around the table, beginning at the left, were the following: Chester Hathaway, John Shelton, Duke Mueller, W. E. Mueller, Adolph Mueller, Robert Mueller, C. N. Wagenseller, Merle Cobb, R. H. Mueller, Loren Burleigh, Roy Coffman.

A widow, whose husband had died some months previously also died and when she came to the pearly gate, asked to see her former husband.

"What's his name?" said St. Peter.

"Joe Smith," replied the widow.

"You'll have to give me some better identification than that," said St. Peter kindly. "How about his last words? We classify new arrivals by their words on earth."

"Well," she replied, "just before he died Joe turned to me and said, 'Mary, if you ever kiss another man I'll turn over in my grave!'"

"Oh, sure I know him," said St. Peter, "we call him 'Whirling Joe' up here!"

### SARNIA

Three Sarnia Township Brothers in the R.C.A.F.—Mr. and Mrs. John Harkins, eighth concession, Sarnia township, have three sons in the R.C.A.F., Gordon, William and Donald. William arrived overseas this month and met his brother, Gordon, who is better known as "Ted," who has been in England since November last. Donald recently returned to his post on Vancouver Island after a furlough spent at his home.

Bob Swan:—Thanks for the Mueller box. It came at a time when my morale was pretty low. They tell me in this camp that the first month is the hardest, and I can believe it without arguing the question.

Gerry Murphy:—Thanks for your lovely gift. It hit the spot. You had about everything a guy could want. You can't imagine how much it really meant to me and the boys with whom I shared it. We all get a kick out of the Mueller Record, with its news about the plant.

Fred Hillier: Got the Mueller box and thank you for it. We are studying hard. The course becomes harder because of the standards being raised. When things are tough for you, such kindness is really appreciated.

Jim Lowry (overseas): Wonderful box. Much appreciated by me and my fellow pilots. Home food certainly tasted good. The records show you are doing a wonderful job in production. The general feeling among the Canadians here is to get the war over with and get back home. Must quit. Due in the air in ten minutes.

Francis Hemstreet: Have settled down with a regular unit and want to thank you for the bounteous Christmas box. It was received just as I was embarking for parts unknown overseas. Regards to all the gang I worked with and certainly hope to see them all by the end of 1943.





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beautiful Easter card addressed to "The Office Force." He is still stationed in Atlantic City, and has the rank of Staff Sergeant.

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### WILLIE IS WORRIED

Willie Rohman is all hot and worried. Reading between the lines we come to the belief that Willie should be in the navy. Sailors you know, have a sweetheart in every port and an army man has no leeway justifying him to transgress regulations. His letter, which follows, indicates some little apprehension, on account of a previous reference to diamonds.

Camp Cooke, California  
March 17, 1943

To the Editor:

Was very much pleased to receive my copy of the "Record" today. Have read it over very carefully from front to back and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Have but one change or correction, or rather explanation to make to the readers. Somehow, I seem to have my name linked with diamond rings and such. Gosh! I am a confirmed bachelor and can't go around giving out diamonds. It wouldn't be fair to the rest of my fine acquaintances. Now to keep peace among my "girl friends" and myself I must say that I know nothing about this. (Must have been a slip on the part of the typesetter.)

So, girls, don't get discouraged, I'm still single and ready for anything. (I mean lookout, I'm still loose.)

Don't know who is getting "two-timed"—(maybe it's a good thing he can't get hold of me). About me being dizzy? Shucks, I'm just as happy as if I had my right mind. Honest!

So, dear editor, if you could publish a little explanation in the next "organ," I would be very grateful to listen to the music.

Sincerely,  
William Rohman.

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### LOST IN JUNGLE

#### Decatur Boy Recently One of Party of Fliers Had Experience

Doubtless many of you have read of how Americans are lost in the jungles. This has become a quite common occurrence. It is a terrifying experience. Accentuated by ignorance of what vegetation, fruits, etc., it is safe to eat. The question of water is also a serious one.

Recognizing these facts the government has issued a "Comprehensive Guide on how to Survive in Jungle or Desert until rescued." It is especially designed for use of pilots and airplane crews who may be forced down as referred to above. The book carries

### FINDS A PAL



Harrison "Bud" Williams has "palled up" with the lion, emblem of old England, but he still stands on American soil. Bud is stationed at Portsmouth Navy Yard, New Hampshire. His address is A.S.R. U.S.C.G. Barracks. Bud was a former member of the Munition department, Plant 3. Good looking sailor, what?

the title, "Jungle and Desert Emergencies."

It will be included in pilot's bail-out kits. Basic advice is "Don't rush. Think things out; then act. Sleep and food are important; don't forget them in your eagerness to get out. A man can live for weeks in the jungle with safety if he avoids panic and uses his head. Good water and food are available in the jungle if you know where to look for them." One of the three general rules for recognizing edible food is: Anything that you see monkeys eat, you can eat. (And you can eat the monkeys, too!)

Donald Martin, a Decatur boy, recently had 63 days experience of fighting his way out of the jungle, according to the Review. We do not doubt that Donald would have been glad to have known the advice given above.

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#### NOTE FROM JIMMY KINTNER

"Thanks ever so much for the stationery. I can certainly use it, for stationery is very expensive.

"The Mueller Record really makes a hit here with all the fellows. It brings so much pleasure in those spare moments.

"Only 19 more days and I begin flying. We begin in small 'Cubs,' which are so light the wind caused one to roll over this morning. I am receiving very good grades, nothing below a B on any subject yet.

"Tell everyone that we soldiers are depending on them to produce so we can come home sooner."

**AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

At Christmas we sent boxes to all of our boys in the service. These of course were directed to the last address we had. In some cases the boys had been switched to new locations, and boxes sent them could not be delivered. In preference to having these returned the officials in charge were advised to deliver the box to an Illinois soldier with the company's compliments and good wishes. There was something like a dozen instances of this character, we got back just one letter of acknowledgment. Here's a copy of that letter.

Camp Wotters, Texas  
5-2-43

Dear Mr. Trott:

I, Pvt. Frank L. Kettredge, being the lucky soldier to receive your package want to thank you very much for the pleasant surprise.

There are five of us from Illinois in the barracks and I assure you they all feel the same as I do—our only regret is that the soldier the box was intended for is not here to share it with us.

Sincerely,  
Pvt. Frank L. Kettredge.

**SEND US YOUR LETTERS**

Readers of the Record who receive letters from boys at the front, are asked to send them to the Editor. There is nothing of more interest at this time than such letters. Of course anything of a purely personal character will not be divulged or printed.

Dear Charley:

Some people, at this late stage, would call me a heel for not acknowledging receipt of the Mueller Record sooner, but I feel sure my friend Charley has taken no offense.



Now that I am located in one spot in which I will roost for a while I will get my copies of the MUELLER RECORD at regular intervals, and it is needless to say I am no different from thousands of other people. I, too, really enjoy reading each copy from front cover to back cover.

If it were not for the M. R., I believe many of us boys would come back feeling perhaps a little strange and far away from the Company, but with the MUELLER RECORD, we are able to keep up on the Mueller news, and when we get back, we'll again fit into the picture such as we did before we left.

Charley, I want to say I have seen a lot of U. S. territory in the past 6 or 7 months, and as yet have not seen a state in which I

would forsake good old Illinois. Of course, I fully realize I have seen most of this territory during the winter and, too, traveling with the army you don't hit the most scenic spots in the world, which is not usual. All in all, I believe I have had enough traveling for a while and will be satisfied to get home with my feet on a foot stool, big easy chair, pipe in my mouth and with paper in my hands and with the assurance of peace ever present once again.

I trust that you, Mrs. Wagenseller, and your little four-legged friend are well. Give my regards to the Mrs. and when you get time, would like very much to hear from you.  
Your friend,

Genz.

**WAYNE O. DOBSON**



Wayne O. Dobson entered our services on August 18, 1942, and was assigned to the heat treating department of the Munition plant working with the third shift. He was inducted into the army May 4, 1943. Wayne was married to Mary Katherine Hendrix August 24, 1940. He is a native of Milmine, which place is still given as his home address.

**MARION GORDY**



Marion Gordy has been a member of our force since August 28, 1942. His induction to army service was on April 30th, 1943. Upon entering Mueller Co. employ he was assigned to the Munition division, Dept. 20. He was married to Edna Louise Page of Decatur, October 1, 1939. His mother, Mrs. Earl Gordy is a member of this organization.

**R. DALE STREIGHT**



Raymond Dale Streight began with us on July 30, 1942, and was assigned to the Munition plant. He was inducted into the army May 1, 1943. His birthplace was Maroa. Dale as his Mueller friends know him, was married Nov. 21, 1940, his wife being the former Iona Fleming of Assumption.



# PLANT 3 NEWS

Just in case someone lost something or heard of anybody being robbed at the intersection of Monroe and Eldorado Sts., 7:15 p.m., May 6, 1943, due to the fact of a police officer close by we might be able to furnish some information of the car and people involved. A Chevrolet coach failed to observe the stop sign probably caused by the smoke from that big cigar. It was driven by a guard at Plant No. 3—accomplice also breaking traffic rules could probably be found in the main office first aid room.

Both men about 5 ft. 10½ in., weighing 190 lbs.

We received a letter from Frances Hockaday last week. She is at a teachers college, Conway, Arkansas, is getting along fine and likes it very much. Three hundred WAACs went to a dance at an Army Camp not far from their school. They took them in Army trucks, fifteen truck loads, sure had a swell time. New address A.F.C. Frances M. Hockaday, A603492, Co. B. 3 WAAC Branch, No. 3 A.A.S., Conway, Arkansas.

We wonder if Brick Cramer, our ideal young man, is slipping. He sure got a post card through the mail the other day.

Gladys also received a card. Can't tell you much about it as she took it home. Said she was saving it for something.

Beulah got a card the same day. She talked about her card. Said she thought the little colored boy on it sure was cute.

Funny about those cards, were all mailed at the same time, just after school.

Gene Latch, from now on, will walk, not run. Latch was running to lunch, Josephine (our dog), who is traffic cop, caught him by the pants leg. Latch went down and over and said plenty. All Josephine said was "Can't you read the signs."

Dailey says he is ready to pack his tools since the return of the smart coeds.

Ruth Wells left Friday for New York to visit her Sailor Hubby, Ross R. Wells, who is stationed at Norton Heights, Conn.

June Leipski has joined our Record staff as reporter for the Second Shift.

The casualties were light when eight of our leading young men went out for a stag party the other night. Seven were able to return on their own power but one, Charlie Pyror, reported missing, at once a potted plant was sent to his home but next day Charlie showed up all O.K.

Absence makes the heart grow fonder

was proven when Dorothy Obyrne returned from her recent illness.

The law has notified John Smith he will have to keep his potatoes off the highway, they block traffic. One man wanted to buy one hundred pounds, but John said he wouldn't cut a potato for no D—d man.

George Hene says he will bet anything John hasn't a potato that will weigh 50 lbs.

We are waiting patiently for a report on Duke's potatoes, "bet it will be a humdinger."

Nola is still having trouble with that same tooth she has had pulled three times.

Since Liz's hubby gets the Mueller Record she is behaving herself, has even quit sticking her tongue out at people.

They say Helen Causey took the girls a good story while they were out at school. Helen has her new Ration book.

Red Smith is operating a black market. He is issuing these Ration books.

When Bob Tauber got back to his lunch after answering the phone all that was left was his meal ticket and the dishes to wash.

Outlaw Baum has a Cardinal nest in a bush just outside the window here at the shop. We think he is trying to raise a Ball club for St. Louis.

After the Cardinals lost the second game in a row to the Cubs John Dunaway had the Cardinal blind staggers. He wandered around and finally wound up in the girl's rest room. When he came out John's face was a beautiful Cardinal red.

Dorothy O'Byrne will move your cuspidor while you wait. Dorothy moves 'em with a shovel.

Bill Mueller lost his badge again and as usual it was found in the Girl's rest room by one of the girls.

And here we are, the Record, trying to build up the morale of Plant 3.

Ted McKown, the daring young man on the flying trapeze, only Ted was hanging on a pipe, but trapeze or pipe, he sure cut up some capers when the ladder slipped and left poor Ted hanging up next to the roof. John Dunaway said, "Let him hang there, I wouldn't help any Cub fan."

## PLANT 3

Ruby White left Friday at two-thirty for Los Angeles to visit someone. When asked about it, all Ruby would say was, "I will tell you more when I get back." So guess we will just have to wait.

The last four to draw War Bonds were Gladys Behen, Jerry Yonker, Ward Thomas and E. H. Umphryes.

This makes thirteen Bonds for us. "A BOND A WEEK."

Last, but not least, Heck Whittington and Bill Mueller were eating at the table when Bob's lunch disappeared.

Maynard Butcho is the Third shift single ping-pong champion.

Helen Harrison spent the Easter holidays in Madison, Wisconsin, visiting her husband.

Pauline Edwards and Hildegard Hazlet spent the Easter holidays visiting in Chicago.

Vernon Brown was operated on for appendicitis recently. He's coming along just fine.

Mercedes Oakleaf is the new clerk on the Third shift. She's taking Charles Tilton's place who is going back to the main plant office.

## SECOND SHIFT NEWS

We heard a chorus of welcome to Elvera when she returned to Plant 3 from school. It is her pleasant voice saying "Operator" now from 2:30 to 10:30 p.m.

Mrs. Shepperd, Mrs. James Adams and Mrs. Leon Uersery have joined the crew on the second shift.

The girls big Rest Room now boasts of a ping-pong table and record player. All of which we are taking advantage of and enjoying.

We recently lost two of our girls, Ruth Hinderer, and Erlena Hubler. Both felt that they were needed at home. And if all the summer is as rainy as it has been since Ruth left we know she isn't going to have much trouble getting rid of those freckles.

If Dan Truitt hauls any more people to work he's going to get a trucker's license. What he really needs is a station wagon.

Cooper drives in high gear, but we doubt if his tires last as long as some other people we know.

Are you stubborn? Deceitful? Shy? Friendly? Take a sample of your handwriting to the First Aid Room—Alice will tell you. She hasn't been at it long, but she's doing all right.

Speaking of Alice, our nurse, have you seen how attractive and neat she is in her new spring outfit of white.

No use trying to take a nap in the First Aid Room now. With all the racket of machines right outside the door you can't hear

yourself think, let alone sleep.

Stanley Ashby, found out, so he says, what it means to be up the proverbial stream, without proper means of locomotion. Catch on? We didn't either.

Looks like the girls are going to take over the place. They have already made a good start. Kledus Corley and Bessie Monska are now in the Tool Grinding Room. More power to you, girls.

## FACTORY GOSSIP

If anyone wants their knife sharpened Ike Gowan is your man. Altho it is understood he doesn't guarantee his work.

It didn't take so long to figure out why five of our girls make regular Sunday trips to Champaign—after seeing those snapshots. You know Rantoul isn't so very far from Champaign.

We are so in hopes they don't grade our department out to Millikin. If they do we shudder to think of Stacey's report card.

Bill and Bob have missed their calling, they really should be with some big movie company—directing movies or maybe they could act as stand-in.

Ruby says she learned one thing for sure, when you think you are right put it down and leave it alone, don't peep, then change it.

Bill Knight says Pat Davidson has switched from Old Grand Dad to Royal Crown—Pat sure must be slipping.

Bill Thomas has even surprised himself—when it comes to catching fish—every time he goes out he catches a big string of them—which makes his friends very happy as he sees to it that they have fish too. He will even go so far as to take his friends out and give them fishing lessons. Ray Workman was the latest to receive a lesson.

With a little more coaching from the sidelines and practice too, we'll probably turn out some world champion ping-pong players.

Jack Chepan surely must have said the wrong thing to that handsome soldier—anyhow it didn't work—as a match maker Jack would make a good Scrub Woman.

## DELMAR PARKS

Delmar Parks was home on a furlough recently, enjoying a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Parks and also with friends in the factory and office. He has been in the army now for about three years, first in the infantry and now in the Air Corps. He is in fine fettle, healthy and eager to "get going." He says he has about three more months in which to finish his flying training which is a very strenuous job. After that, he says, it will be active duty either at home or across—the latter is what he is looking for and expects.

## CHATTANOOGA

Lt. Merle Van Vleet has been home on furlough this past week. Merle has his wings and is looking fine.

Eschol Acuff, guard at Plant 1, is looking forward to dewberry time. He and three other fellows know a place where they can pick 63 gallons a day, nice size berries, too, almost the size of hen eggs.(?)

The baseball team is looking good so far in practice. Aubrey Tipton, playing outfield, says outfielders need masks. We suggest he use glove to better advantage and keep ball out of face!

R. E. (Roddy) Gann, after lots of persuasion, and pressure, has agreed to be our Manager this year.

Marion Eckman, Russell Davis, and W. I. Davis are back at Plant 1 now. We're glad to see them back.

Russell Jolly is now handling employment at the Columbian Iron Works.

Douglas Stone, second shift, Plant 1, is answering his country's call in the next few days. Best of luck, Doug.

Heman Thompson, of Department 70, Plant 1, is back after a brief visit with Uncle Sam. Heman says if they won't let him shoot a gun, he can really shoot the hydrants and valves at those Japs.



Accompanying picture is of Edwin Davis, son of Mr. W. I. Davis of the Main Plant. Edwin is taking his pre-flight training at the University of Georgia, Athens, now. He previously worked at the Main Plant.

### DEATHS

#### Mrs. Nora Dotson

Mrs. Nora Dotson, 73, mother of John Dotson, died April 14 in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Grider, after an illness of nearly six weeks.

Born near Niantic, she was the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Whiteside. She was married in 1887 to William H. Dotson who preceded her in death. She was a member of the Niantic Christian Church. She is survived by four children, Mrs. Grider, her sons John of Decatur, Samuel and Russell of Niantic. Funeral services were

conducted from the Niantic Christian church with interment in Long Point cemetery.

#### Mrs. Fannie M. Richards

Mrs. Fannie M. Richards, mother-in-law of Jesse Ditty, Plant 2, died May 7 in St. Mary's Hospital. She was born in Jasper County and married there December 24, 1826, to Benjamin Richards who preceded her in death.

She is survived by six sons, John R., Reuben, Kenneth, all of Decatur, Virgil of Camp Cooke, California, James in New Guinea and Cecil of Willow Hill and by four daughters, Mrs. Hazel Renoud, Mrs. Jennie Ditty, Mrs. Ada Souders, all of Decatur, and Mrs. Mildred McCleave of Oblong.

Funeral services were conducted from the Moran chapel with burial in Riverside cemetery in Newton.

#### Clyde Fortner

Clyde Fortner, aged 55, died Wednesday, May 12th, in the Cook County Hospital after a long illness of tuberculosis. He was a native of Moweaqua and later a resident of Decatur and a member of our main office force as many of the older members of the organization will remember. The body was brought to Decatur for burial in Fairlawn cemetery. Services were held in Moran funeral parlors, Saturday, May 15th.

His parents, wife, formerly Nellie Richey, two sisters, Mrs. Ruby Diss, Stonington, Mabel, Delavan, Ill., and two brothers, Glenn and Harold of Decatur, survive him.

### BIRTHS

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Tilton, a son, Thomas Ray, March 17, in St. Mary's hospital.

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. William Dunaway (7710), March 17, in D. & M. C. hospital, a son, William Edward, Jr.

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sinnard, March 25, a daughter, Betty Louise, in the residence, Route 2, Blue Mound.

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bray, March 29, a son, John Mikel, in St. Mary's hospital.

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bolz, April 10, a daughter.

BORN TO: Mr. and Mrs. Karl Brimm, Advertising Dept., May 8, a daughter, Connie Jo, in D. & M. C. hospital.

Some people are very literal. A broad-shouldered individual, obviously a country squire, entered a well-known hatter's in Piccadilly.

An immaculate assistant approached him and said suavely, "And what is your pleasure, sir?"

The country squire pondered a moment and then replied, "Fox hunting, chiefly, but what I desire now is a hat."



**ON FURLOUGH**

Claude Leroy Stacey was home recently on a visit to his parents and relatives. He was formerly a member of this organization having worked in Dept. 8, Plant 3, and in



Dept. 30. Claude had a three day furlough and made the most of it. He has been in the service since January and is stationed at Jefferson Barracks. Wednesday, May 12, a letter was received from him to the effect that he was in the hospital under suspected appendicitis. Claude first tried for the air corps, but was rejected on account of an aural trouble. Since then he

has been assigned to the Medical Air Corps.

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**HARLEY HARRINGTON**

It was announced in the Review a few days ago that Harley Harrington, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Harrington, 1842 N. Van Dyke, was home on a furlough. He is now in the Coast Guard and is stationed at Newport, R. I. While Harley was not with us at the time he entered the service, he was formerly an employee and his friends remember him.

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**CORPORAL ANDERSON**

Cpl. Fred Anderson, formerly of the New York Branch Billing Dept., now with Hq. Co., 2nd Bat. 14th Armored Regiment, Fred is a tank driver and, according to his letters, likes it very much. The armored divisions, we understand, need specialists and well trained personnel. Fred writes that a number of casualties of the Libyan campaign have joined his group recently. Among their many interesting comments are to the effect that American and English tanks have proved far superior to those of Germany in construction and mobility but not fire power.



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**Day Ruined**

Bridget: "Pat, my man, I'm going to die, and I want you to promise me one thing."

Pat: "Sure, Bridget, and I'll do that. What is it?"

Bridget: "I want you to have my mother in your carriage at the funeral."

Pat: "Well, Bridget, I promise, since it is your last wish; but I tell you it will spoil the day for me."

**OUTDOOR FUN**

**Plans Being Made for Busy Open Air Games**

Merlin Coates who is in charge of recreation and sports, is lining things up for the outdoor and indoor seasons, assisted by Engineer Chaney. Ping-pong tables have been installed at Plant 3, and there is already plenty of action. This has been a popular game in the main plant for a number of years. Bank bowling for both men and women is coming next for both main plant and Plant 3. It is newer than ping-pong but is already gaining wide popularity. This is a game in which the ball is made to rebound from a wall, knocking the pins down from the rear instead of the front. There are now four horseshoe courts at the Lodge and two at the club house. These, with the three croquet courts, provide a nice variety for sport and exercises, with further addition of Badminton courts, and later if possible the tennis courts now under consideration. The fireplaces supply excellent facilities for cooking outdoor meals. All these arrangements are for your benefit. You are invited and urged to make the most of them. The effort is to increase the facilities to accommodate the greatest number. There are no special arrangements to make. All you have to do is go to the grounds and make yourselves at home.

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the plant went over the top, for the third time. Our quota was \$55,000.00 and Mueller employees have subscribed up to the time of writing over \$59,000.00. Probably the final total will be \$60,000.00 Good going, Gang!

Mueller employees are typical of people throughout the democratic countries. You can tax them heavily and they'll pay, and when you ask them to lend for the same cause—that of Freedom, they'll lend all you want. Seems as though they say, "You can tell me how much I have to pay, but I'll tell you how much more I'll lend."

Every person in the Mueller organization should feel very proud that they are associated with as fine a group of people as we have here in Sarnia. You see, in the past three Victory Loans, these people have over-subscribed their quota within 72 hours of the start of each campaign, being the first large industry in Lambton County to attain their objective each time.

We don't know just what all of this adds up to yet, but it must add up to something like a determination on their part to preserve the Four Freedoms; Democracy in action; or whatever you want to call it. These people are "Backing the Attack!"

## "BARGAIN COLUMN PAGE"

### BUSINESS SERVICE

**WANTED:** Lawn mowers to sharpen. R. L. Pope, Sylvan Shores. Phone 3-3374.

**WALLPAPER CLEANING**—Call 9115 or 770 West Olive Street. Claude Stacy.

### ITEMS FOR SALE

**FOR SALE:** A piano, old fashioned, but fair condition, good tone. Just the thing for girl or boy taking music lessons. Call 988 W. View. Price reasonable.

**FOR SALE**—A used metal bed for dump truck. In good condition.—Frank Edmonson, Main office.

**FOR SALE:** Bed springs and dresser in good condition. Phone 2-0819 or call at residence, 924 North Warren street, or see Thomas Mudd (1124) watchman at Foundry, 2 to 10 p. m. except Mondays.

**FOR SALE:** Brown all wool suit, waist 38, length 33. \$12.00. 403 E. Division, Kennes Karnes.

**FOR SALE:** E flat Alto Saxophone. Satin silver finish, recently overhauled, \$50. See W. D. Hays, 853 W. Packard St. or call 5884.

**FOR SALE:** One French door in perfect condition, size 2'6" x 6'8". H. A. Wacaser.

**FOR SALE**—Ping-pong table complete with 12 extra balls. Wayne Wright, 257 E. Leafland. Telephone 2-1681.

**FOR SALE**—PLANTS: Cabbage, tomato, sweet potatoes. M. H. Stratman, 1027 W. King St.—Phone 7684.

**FOR SALE**—Stewart Warner Cabinet Radio. Good as new. Mike Fleckenstein, Plant 3.

**FOR SALE:** 1—8 in. Table Saw, 1—Wood Lath. 1—Water Pump for water tank. Swap 1/3 and 1/2 motor on a 1 h.p. or would sell. Plant 3, Chas. R. Baker, Forsyth, Ill.

**FOR SALE:** 1935 Oldsmobile sedan. Four new tires and tubes; just been overhauled. 1509 E. Division.

### WANTED

**WANTED TO BUY:** A large sized Electrolux refrigerator, gas operated. See Orville J. Hawkins, c-o Main Office.

**WANTED**—A Model "T" truck rear end. E. W. Connors, Plant 3.

**WANTED TO BUY:** Anvil, 100 lbs. or larger; 1/2 to 4 H.P., 4 cycle gasoline engines. Otis Fears, Shipping Room, Clock No. 4729.

**WANTED TO BUY:** Electric Refrigerator. Plant 3, Jim Tilley

**WANTED TO BUY:** 5 rooms, modern, Northwest. Moderate price. Good condition. See Stanley Shannon, Dept. 44.

### RECORD BARGAIN COLUMN

The use of the Record Bargain Column is free to all employees who care to use it. Have you ever tried it. Many have since it became a part of the Inside Record, and not a few have had satisfactory results. If you have anything to sell, trade, or something

### BOY SCOUT NEWS

The high spot of news this month is the big Annual Troop Birthday Party. The troop and a very large number of parents and families crowded into the cafeteria on the evening of May 6th. Such a supper has not been seen in a long time. In spite of rationing it was the finest meal the troop has ever had.

After supper the group went up to the gym. The colors were presented and saluted. Then a lively songfest pepped up the crowd and framed the mood for the evening. Next, each patrol put on a Scoutcraft demonstration. The Creeping Panthers had a knot tying show. The Tigers put on a very well done first aid demonstration. The Indians followed with fire making with flint and steel. The Sea Scouts gave an exhibition of ring buoy throwing for rescue work.

Following this, the Scouts did a quick change act and under the glow of a red spot light did some Indian dances in full costume. The Social Dance was first. The Winnebago War Song was sung next. The event closed with the Medicine Pipe Dance to heal the sick.

The climax came with the presenting of the troop charter and Scout certificates to all by our Commissioner, G. Willard King. Bobby Hughes, Richard Hoppe, and Robert Carter received Merit Badges. Jimmie Myers was made a Second Class Scout. George Bridwell and Bobby Hughes each received his third service star, and David Krizan received his first one. The troop also received a yellow streamer with gold and silver tassels for meeting certain registration rules. A 100% banner from BOYS' LIFE was received. The evening closed with retreat of the colors and taps.

### Shorts

By the time this is in print the troop will be on the Macon County Spring Camporee. We hope the rain lets up . . . James Hansen and Robert King are the newest recruits for Troop 2 . . . Six of our troop acted as Scout escorts at the recent funeral of Scout Richard Probst, son of a Mueller salesman . . . Bobby Hughes has completed his apprentice requirements—all except the Board of Review visit . . . During the big Army Salute to Decatur our Scouts assisted the Red Cross in setting up and taking down their first aid tent both Saturday and Sunday.

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