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FORFEITURES

Good Advice On Entering Into Contract for Purchase of Real Estate

"The law abhors a forfeiture" is a time-honored legal maxim. Yet if a contract provides for a forfeiture, the law can do nothing but enforce it. Courts cannot make contracts for people, but can only make effective the contract that the people themselves make.

When a contract is put in writing and signed, no verbal understandings or agreements are good, because a contract cannot be partly written and partly verbal—it must be one or the other. When buying real estate it is most important to protect yourself against a strict forfeiture by insisting that this clause be in the signed contract:

"It is, however, mutually agreed that no forfeiture on this contract shall be declared when one-fourth of the purchase price, with interest and taxes due, has been paid until six (6) months after any default in the terms of this contract. And, when one-half of the purchase price has been paid, with interest and taxes that are due, then no forfeiture shall be declared on this contract for any default thereof until one (1) year after such default."

The seller may assure you verbally that such a clause is unnecessary because he won't ever take advantage of you. Such a statement or promise will not hold up in Court, and you have absolutely no legal protection except what is inside the four corners of your written contract.

Be sure you understand each and every part of any contract you sign. It is no defence in court to say that you "didn't understand it". The law takes a very sensible attitude—if you don't understand a legal document, don't sign it. One who signs something that he does not understand is not exercising due care and caution for his own protection.

Leo Wiant missed the picnic, not because he wanted to but because he was detailed to go to Chattanooga on a somewhat extended business trip.

SAW WILLIAM TELL

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Marty Attend Noteworthy Production

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Marty attended the third annual presentation of "William Tell" by the William Tell Community Guild at Elmer's Grove, New Glarus, Wisconsin, on September 1. The play lasts three and one-half hours and has a cast of nearly two hundred. Among the patrons and patronesses are such celebrated persons as Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Vice President and Mrs. John N. Garner, Senator and Mrs. Robert M. LaFollette, the Honorable Dr. Victor Nef, Consul General of Switzerland, New York, a number of former Wisconsin governors and Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne, outstanding theater personalities.

PREFABRICATED HOME

Harley Himstead Summer Place Erected In Five Hours

Harley Himstead is the proud owner of a new two-room cottage built on his lot on Lake Decatur at Shore Acres. When Harley visited the State Fair he saw these houses, which are pre-fabricated, that is, factory built and ready to erect, demonstrated, and he placed his order for one at that time. His house, and two others were delivered about ten days later, and erected within five hours. The regular time for setting up a two room house of this style is four hours, but a 3½" rain delayed the schedule. Harley said the entire neighborhood turned out to witness the erection, and to wonder at the speed with which the finished product was completed, even including shutters, lattice, and window boxes.

FIRST VAUDEVILLE OCT. 25

The theatrical season, Mueller Gymnasium, is due for the grand opening on the evening of October 25th. At this time it is impossible to give a positive date but October 25th has been selected, with the reservation that it may be changed. Full particulars will be given in the October issue.

WAITIN FOR THE BELL



The Tuesday morning session of the Salesmen's School was held in the gymnasium, and here we have a couple of scenes showing the salesmen waiting for school to "take up." The upper picture shows, left to right, C. J. G. Haas, George White, Harold Linton, J. P. Stenner, R. T. Whitehead, Robert K. Levey, Harry V. Seevers, Harold Probst, Arthur King, Fred Kroschwitz, Paul Himes, B. F. Kitchen, W. L. DeWitt, R. E. Kirchner, Geo. H. Hofmann, Geo. Knipe, Ray Fallon, Hugh Baker, Lloyd George, George Parker, Scotty Milne, and T. E. Gaither.

Lower picture, E. W. Peterson, Arthur King, Scotty Milne, George Knipe, George Sullivan, R. E. Kirchner, Floyd Johnson, Harley Himstead.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

While writing up the salesmen's meeting, the thought occurs to us that we seem to have a preponderance of Georges among our sales force. There's George Hofmann, George Sullivan, George White, Lloyd George, George Knipe, George Leach, and George Parker. Oh! Gee-orge!

Ghost Has Nothing on Him

Zoe: "I hear you stayed in a haunted house last night. What happened?"

Moe: "About twelve o'clock a ghost came through the wall just as if there was no wall there."

Zoe: "And what did you do?"

Moe: "I went through the other wall the same way."—Laundry Age.

THE OKAW PARTY

There was no Labor Day Party at the Okaw on Labor Day, according to time honored custom, but there was one a week later, beginning September 5, when Adolph and Charlie Cochran blazed the way for a party which was intermittently increased until Saturday, the 7th, and ended on Sunday 8th. Good time was had by all, which included the following: Adolph Mueller, Chas. Cochran, Lt. Col. Bell, A. G. Webber, Jr., J. W. Simpson, Geo. White, Herman Martin of Denver, Ed Adams, Robt. Lusk, Orville Hawkins, Ed. Stille, Frank Taylor, Joe Ullman of Collinsville, J. W. Wells, Carl Draper.

Lots of game and fish, and other good things to eat and the usual "pot luck" diversion. Pot Luck you know is his own—but he doesn't always take it away with him.

HAROLD LINTON PRESIDENT

The Foremen's Club met at the Lodge, Wednesday evening, September 11.

Leo Wiant passed into the ranks of ex-presidents in favor of Harold Linton, who was elected vice-president last fall.

Archie Sefton was elected vice-president and under the rules is now on his way to the presidency.

There were short talks by L. W. Mueller and Adolph Mueller, which chiefly concerned business.

These were followed by refreshments and games.

LOS ANGELES NEWS

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Mr. Dill recently returned from his yearly trip which takes him up through the beautiful northwest. Mr. Adolph was with him last year, and his absence was noted along the route.

Laura Becker of the Decatur Core Department, and Emmett Holderby, also of the home factory, recently spent a short time looking over our factory.

What's this about Bill Young shaving himself since becoming of age, and cutting his face both times? We wonder why.

A. C. Werdes of the Decatur office is with us and expects to remain for a while.

Numerous vacation news floated in and a few are: The Higbees in the High Sierras for a week; the Liebbers in the mountains, also the Baxendales; the Leaches at the Fair, and the Stotlers in San Diego.

For a good "leg pulling" job see Lyle Overly. His experience in this field is broad, and one can be assured of a good job. Just ask "Lightning."

Mary Hobbs, Anne Ralph, and Edna Porter Rose are among those who have, much to their regret, used up all their vacation time.

Athalie Brumby spent a week commuting between the beaches and home. Dorothy Heflin's week among the big red wood trees near San Francisco was not only restful but healthful. She took time out from her camp duties to take in the Fair and San Francisco.

Bowling starts soon, and the grape vine has it that Joe Baxendale's average had best take a hop or he is in for a lot. How about it, girls?

Hermosa Beach certainly must have a bigger attraction than just the water, to get Theo Hanna down here every week end.

Red Wiley and Louie Wiant will soon be driving their new 1941 Hudsons.

Dick and Ann Funkhouser have laid the ground work for their new home to be completed December 1. At the same time Fritz and Helen Young will be in their new home, which is under construction.

This is still Leap Year, but one girl stated that all she could catch on her vacation was a cold.

Mother is the name for God in the lips and the hearts of little children.—Wm. M. Thackeray

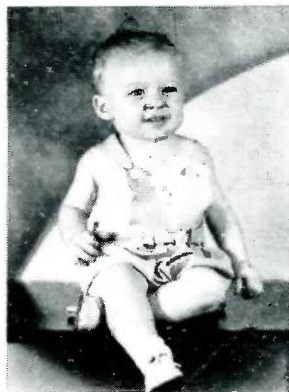
EVEN THE CHILDREN



Yep, even the children in California can catch fish. Here is Suzanne Baxendale holding some fish which were caught by her father and herself while on a vacation in the mountains. Shame on some of you men who fish all day and never catch anything.

A nation is made great not by its acres, but by the men who cultivate them; not by its great forests, but by the men who use them. America was a great land when Columbus discovered it. Americans have made it a great nation.

JIMMY'S ON THE JOB



This is Jimmy Wade Ford, and Jimmy looks like he was on the job. He was only nine months old when this photo was taken but manifests much interest in the process of having his photograph taken. Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ford. Wayne is a member of the foundry force.

CUT OUTS OF LITTLE CUT UPS



In the upper left hand corner we caught Bob, son of Ray Kileen, while peering so intently out of the lower left hand corner is Constance Roberta, daughter of Robert Tauber. Next little Bill Mueller, son of William A. Mueller, Dept. 300, displays the popular attire for youngsters on a hot picnic day, while at his feet totters Barbara Ann, infant daughter of Edgar Hartwig. In the center is Jerralyn, daughter of Arnold Blankenburg. She was four years old on picnic day. At her right is Anna Joe and on the other side of the little boy is her sister, Mary Rose, daughters of Roy Bray. The little girl at the bottom of the page is Roberta Katherine, daughter of Bob Hill. The little boy, Donald Bowan, has met with a catastrophe—no, no—not that—he sat down in a mud puddle.

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There are a lot of people still thinking about it. "The taste lingers."

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Mrs. Lydia (Behrend) Costello, for many years in our core room, came from her home in Peoria to attend the picnic, and wrote the following appreciative letter, with accompanying photograph.

"I pride myself on the fact that I was thoughtful enough to plan a visit with my sisters, Mrs. Herman Ammann, Mrs. Norman Frederick, and Margaret Behrend, for the week of August 12 so that I would be in Decatur for the Mueller picnic. I had anticipated for some time seeing my old friends with whom I worked thirty-two years ago. I enjoyed every minute and hope

to meet all my friends next year at the Mueller picnic, which is much too nice an event to miss."

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The Mueller All Stars got hold of a basket of hot potatoes for the afternoon ball game, the score of which follows:

	R	H	E
Perfect Potatoes	6	9	3
Mueller All Stars	2	4	4

Batteries: P. Potatoes — Withrow, M. Smith, C. Mueller: Hill (5 innings), Mathes (2 innings), C. Moore, C.

By the time the official photographer reached the diamond the massacre was over and the victors and vanquished had retired.

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Anthony Grossman and Leslie Schroeder were the winners of the sink combinations at the afternoon and evening drawings.

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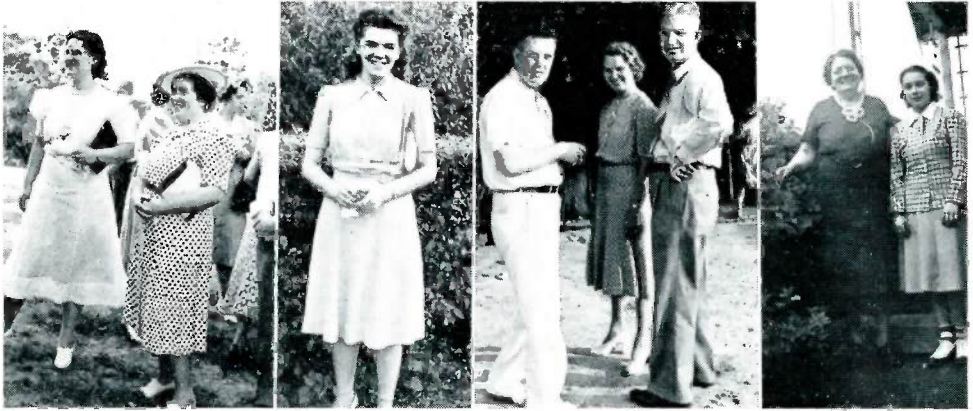
There are so many photograph echos that it was necessary to scatter them over many pages. We judge that you will find them. Other pictures will follow in the October Record.

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If the picnic was not the best we ever held, it was as good as the best.

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You've heard about being put on the hot spot. Old expression. However, some riding the electric train learned by experience the full meaning of the expression as Old Sol beat down upon them. However, the train was a popular feature.



Left to right: Mrs. Walter Bowan and Mrs. Fred Tratzik watch some picnic feature with amusement; Olivia Pando, main office, poses for the photographer; Floyd V. Johnson, salesman from Nashville, Tenn. chats with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Peters from Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mrs. Lydie Costello of Peoria attends the picnic with a niece, Dorothy Ammann, who works in Department 9.

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Quite a number of the retired men attended the picnic to visit with old friends and join the festivities. Among these were Reubin Stafford, John Galla, John D. Smith, Wm. T. McClure, Jim Parker, Charlie Winholz, A. G. Martin, William Meehan, Gottfried Gollenbeck, Carlos Danaha, W. P. Deverell, August Morenz, George Storminger, H. Zipse, Everett Snyder, Clarence Foster, U. S. Wacaser, Charles Adams, William Griffins, John F. Haines, and Sam Gepford.

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A number of the small boys were over zealous in their patriotic ardor, and decorated their chests far beyond that of a top ranking general when they learned that the little flag bows were being distributed to anyone who asked for them. It finally became necessary to stop them in order that the little girls and others no less patriotic but less daring might get their share of the flags.

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Two little girls in the audience sat spell-bound during the performance of Angello and Lampe, the two South American acrobats, and immediately after the program they rushed down to the platform to inquire if they could talk to the boys. Upon being assured that they could, they asked: "But can they speak English?" It seems that the boys did speak English, because a little later the girls were overheard familiarly chattering about the "Senors."

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The life guards on duty all day didn't have to save any lives, but some of the

girls went down and "saved the day" for the guards.

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The little girls in the dance revue made a pretty and colorful spectacle as they went through their dance routines under the direction of Clara Marie Dawson. It hasn't been so many years since Clara Marie and her brother Ted put on a Mickey and Minnie Mouse dance as part of our picnic program. At that time Clara Marie was the taller of the two, but now Ted looks down upon his "big" sister.

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SARNIA

Mollie Hillier and Isabelle Danby have returned to work after enjoying a boat trip on one of the C. S. L. Boats from Toronto to Montreal. From the looks of things Isabelle really took it on the chin during her vacation.

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Cec. Spears of the Accounting Dept. enjoyed a week's fishing trip in Northern Ontario recently. The picture speaks for the success of the trip and substantiates any fish stories Cec. might have to tell.

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Mary Morris has returned from a few holidays spent at the Toronto Exhibition.

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Following are the men who have left our employ recently to join the Canadian Active Service Force:

Roy Withers of the Plating Dept., to join the Perth Regiment at Port Elgin.

Bill Whiting of the Assembly Dept. to join the Royal Canadian Air Force at Brandon, Manitoba.

Russell Causley of Dept. 14 to join the Navy at Asqu inland, B. C.

John and Maurice Nelson of the Tool Room and Dept. 14 to join the Royal Can-

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DON'S AMBITION REALIZED



Many of us have queer collections. Some save match folders, others collect butterflies. Don Ferry collects cigar boxes. We never knew why until recently when he received a nice bunch of new cigar boxes from Michael's Pharmacy. Don's eyes took on a gleam of satisfaction. His hope of year's standing was realized—in one of the boxes he found a cigar!

BRASS CHIPS

Ernie Watkins, Plant 2, was called to Arkansas on August 27 by the death of his mother.

Hube Maddox, Department 9, and his wife visited relatives in Iowa for one week.

Charles Schroeder, Plant 2, underwent a tonsilectomy on August 30.

Ernie Hetzler, foundry, fell on September 2 while working on his new home and broke a shoulder blade.

Gotlieb Blankenburg, foundry hand molder, is absent because of illness.

Ernie Krumsiek, Dept. 34, lost several days work because of illness.

Lucile Smith tried to open a window in the Purchasing Department which was stuck and ended up in the hospital where Dr. Smith sewed up the cut in her arm, received when her hand went through the window.

Marshall Hobbs and family spent their vacation at Sayner, Wisconsin.

Bob Raskin, Core Department, lost sev-

eral weeks work on account of hay fever and asthma from which he suffers.

Blue Lusk spent his vacation in Winter, Wisconsin.

Jane Peabody visited an uncle in Green Bay, Wisconsin, during her vacation.

Mark Simpson attended the football game between the Green Bay Packers and the College All Stars at Soldiers Field, Chicago, on August 29.

Don Ammann, Department 9, went home sick after he had worked about an hour on the morning of August 21. He was rushed to the hospital and operated upon for appendicitis.

Robert Whitacre, son of Oris Whitacre, just recently passed all the requirements to become an Eagle Scout, the highest honor in scouting. Bob graduated from Decatur High School last June and plans to enter Millikin this fall.

The Ruthrauff family, Mr. and Mrs. Press Ruthrauff, Press, Jr. and Frances, all were taken suddenly ill while attending the ball game at the Heights on August 15. It was disclosed that they were suffering from food poisoning, and Press, Sr. was in a very serious condition for several hours that night. Jack, who was away at camp, escaped the near catastrophe.

Five boys from the plant attended the three weeks training period for the National Guards at Camp McCoy, Sparta, Wis. They were Elmer Merrow, Ralph Runion, and Jack Ruthrauff from Dept. 8; Victor Ford, foundry, and Bob Merrow, Dept. 300.

FALL CASE

A millwright was working on a Blast Furnace highline. While walking on a plank walkway over ore pockets, he passed thru a cloud of steam, stepped off the walkway and fell fourteen feet to the bottom of the roe pocket. He suffered contusion of the scalp and a fractured skull. This accident was caused by the injured man's failure to use the proper walkway which was provided with a hand-railling and was located on the other side of the pocket.

Most Whistlers Deserve Worse

In Tibet, Central Asia, and among certain Arab tribes, a man heard to whistle is required to undergo a long period of fasting and religious purification for having had dealings with the devil.

Longest Aqueduct

The longest aqueduct in the United States is 259 miles long and carries water from Mt. Whitney to Los Angeles.

U. S. WANTS TO KNOW

About Your Birth Certificate—Important to You

What the government wants to know:

Your place of birth.

Date of birth.

Father's name and birthplace.

Mother's name and birthplace.

Any other pertinent data appearing on the proof submitted.

A statement indicating what data was submitted in support of the above information.

This is not a company movement. It is a part of the National Defense Program of the United States, and you doubtless know that the government does not stand trifling. The following notice has already been posted on the bulletin boards, but reprinted here so you may read and study it at your leisure. Don't forget the last day for reporting the desired information is October 31, 1940.

Notice to Employees

Each employee of this Company has stated in his Application for Employment that he is a United States citizen or has his "first papers." This has been the Company's policy for many years.

Due to general conditions and the laws now in force, and in connection with the National Defense Program, it is now necessary that all employees submit definite proof in addition to their previous statements.

A birth certificate must be submitted by each employee to the Employment Department on or before the 1st day of November, 1940.

For definite information as to where to obtain your birth certificate see Bulletin Boards or inquire of Employment Department.

Employees not born in the United States should submit naturalization papers to the Employment Department.

BEWARE OF THE HUNCH

The Editor and wife made a deferred trip to St. Louis, Tuesday, October 10, the first trip being forgone in respect to a "hunch" which whispered that it was not the right time or day. Everything was lovely until half way between Hamel and Edwardsville, when the old tow boat began hobbing and bouncing—rear tire puncture. Through the kindness of a farmer, help reached us in due time from Hamel. Six miles to Edwardsville and a stop was made for gas and the car began groaning and gasping like a small boy with green apple colic. Another stop was made and the garage man smiled as he pulled out the oil tester, which had been so bent by the station man further back in Edwardsville that it would not fit. These were the only incidents in an otherwise beautiful trip on a beautiful early fall day. The only lesson we learned was that the hunch was all right, but it was played on the wrong day—we have quit playing hunches—no good.

RELIC ROOM

Now Being Developed and Attracts Much Attention from Callers

The "relic room", which has been discussed and planned for some time, is gradually being developed. It is located in a space east of the reception room. It contains many interesting articles which demonstrate the mechanical genius of Hieronymus Mueller as well as other things showing the marked progress of the company. Outside of its historic value the collection has proved most interesting to callers. The various relics are displayed in handsome show cases, while on the walls are various interesting photographs and prints and awards won by the company at different world's fairs and sectional expositions. One of the outstanding features, shortly to be installed, is a bronze bust of Hieronymus Mueller, on a specially built glass show case, which will contain one of the earliest tapping machines built by Mr. Mueller.

SARNIA

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adian Ordnance Corp. at London, Ontario.

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On August 18th Alex Hodges, Harold Martin, Bill Knowles, Ted Pembleton and Ott Foster left for two weeks' voluntary training in London. The boys are all back to work now but the change of water or something evidently didn't agree with them since Alex and Ted have each been off one day sick since returning. Maybe the Chirpers can't take it after all.

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Jimmie Brent of Dept. 7 leaves on Monday for two week's training.

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Bill Young has installed a new radio in his car recently. We wonder if he is going to keep a closer tab on the European situation or is it the World Series.

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Marion Burke, formerly of the Stenographic Dept. has left our employ to accept a position with the Beechnut Lifesaver Co., in Hamilton. We wish Marion the best of luck in her new position.

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On Saturday, Sept. 7th, Stewart Steinberg of Dept. 14 was married to Mabel Johnston of this city. We extend our heartiest congratulations.

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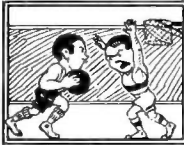
On August 18th Archie Reeve of Dept. 6 became the proud Pop of Archibald Steven, Jr. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Reeves.

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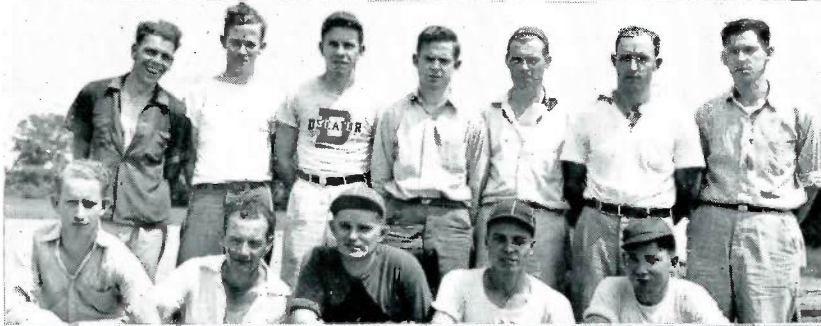
Miss Shirley Scott is now working in the Purchasing and Cost Departments. Betty Hart has taken Marion Burke's place in the Stenographic Dept. and Alison Street has been transferred to the Cost Dept. Mary Glynn is now looking after the Billing Dept.

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If you have an hour to spend, don't spend it with someone who hasn't.



Athletics



Team No. 1, reading from left to right: (front row) Harrison, Fonner, J. Monska, Hawbaker, Jeschawitz. (Back row) Uhler, L. Bauer, W. Mueller, Butler, W. Roarick, Wright, Brown, Monska, Hanson, McCoy.

Team No. 2, reading left to right: (Front row) L. Roe, Fortschneider, Charnetski, Anderson, Taylor. (Back row) Cline, Wilkins, Salogga, H. Roe, Chaney, Fawley, Dudley.

Three Foul Balls: Umpires Bud Edwards, Fizz Daniels, and Ben Taylor.

Team No. 1 defeated Team No. 2 with a score of 7-3.

Softball

This is the final week of the softball season for the Mueller All Stars and the Mueller Soft Ball League. The Mueller All Stars have played about thirty games and won not quite half of them. As a whole the boys played good ball. Some nights they looked very ragged, other nights they played heads up ball. The boys were handicapped somewhat because several of our regular players were playing on other teams. Because of this, some nights we

were short of regular men. However, most of the boys in the League, that were not playing on the regular Mueller team, were always willing to fill in and do their best, which was appreciated very much by the manager.

Mueller Soft Ball League

We had a better soft ball league this year in the plant than we have had for the last three years. In the first half of the season there were six teams in the League with Dept. 8 winning the first half of the season's play.

At the beginning of the second half, the CCC boys at Plant 3 were invited to join, which added one more team and made a much better league. The finals in the second half are being finished this week, and it looks as though Dept. 9 or Dept. 6 will be the winner. The winner will play Dept. 8, winner of the first half, two out of three series for the championship.

Croquet

There has been much interest and en-

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CHATTANOOGA

We Wonder If—

Walter Kopetz enjoyed the sendoff given him at Southern Depot when he left Chattanooga to return to Decatur. Walter has been working several weeks in the Chattanooga Engineering Department and left to resume his studies at the University of Illinois.

Of course, Mary Wilson told us she went to New York to attend the Fair on her vacation this summer—but we suspected she really had her heart set on West Point. Sure enough, we've uncovered a snapshot of the West Point cadets. It seems Mary stopped off at West Point to attend the graduating exercises of that best-looking cadet.

When Leo Wiant was in Chattanooga recently we heard rumors of a cave-exploring trip to be made by Leo, Howard, Morton (of the Core Room); Hugh Churchill (of the Pattern Shop); and Joe Wall. We think the trip was made but we've no further of it—so we figure the spooks ran 'em out!

Hugh Baker has been vacationing the past few days.

George B. Duda Jr. has returned to school after working in the Assembly Department during summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Enloe, and son, Charles, visited the Chattanooga plant on their vacation trips.

Chattanooga was a busy town on August 31, September 1 and September 2 when the Tennessee Valley Celebration was in full swing. On Monday, September 2, President Franklin Roosevelt dedicated the Tennessee Valley chain of dams and lakes, emphasizing the value of the Valley program from the standpoint of defense.

Muriel Clifton is back at the office after being away several days due to illness.

Junior Van Vleet is now employed in the Pattern Making Department.

Howard Morton has been vacationing a few days.

Joe Wall is driving a new maroon Chevrolet.

Leo Wiant spent several weeks in the Chattanooga plant during August.

G. W. Swanson is now acting as supervisor of the Cleaning Room.

Uncle Looie says that the lads in his town are choosing enlistment instead of

marriage, because they prefer a short war!

Mr. E. G. Cooke, of the Sarnia plant, visited our Chattanooga plant on August 27.

Amos Morgan of the Machine Shop has been away on vacation several days.

The Homer Van Vleets have also been vacationing.

"Hi-Yo" Silver, Keith is shown on her steed at Daytona Beach Florida, where she



went on her vacation. Ruby Thompson and Hope Henderson also went to Dayton Beach at the same time Miss Keith was there, but for some reason couldn't track her down. The opinion now is that she got up on this wild "Ferdinand" and couldn't get back down.

At the Chattanooga plant we have just recently posted a bulletin regarding each employee obtaining a birth certificate and furnishing same to the Personnel Department. Gus Thomas read the bulletin and commented as follows: "I guess I won't be able to obtain this certificate because there are 14 in our family and you know darned well they didn't have time to get certificate for all of them."

Gus is a molder in the Iron Foundry Department.

Should Know All Answers

Andrew Johson, seventeenth president of the United States, was the only man in American history to attain all four kinds of office under the Constitution—legislative, judicial, military and executive. He was once a tailor.

One person in every 200 in the United States is said to be deaf.

NEITHER HERE NOR THERE

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 (Further Ruminations from a Third Floor Window)
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When September comes, can Indian Summer be far behind? Autumn days are really the poet's "Golden Days", and we cherish them exceedingly, knowing all the while that there won't be too many of them and that they, like all the good things in life, are not to be considered lightly but enjoyed with respect and appreciation.

The house that Jane and Floyd Wheeler are building is progressing in satisfactory fashion. There was a time, we hear, during those heavy rains of a few weeks ago, when this new structure on Hill Street resembled a swimming pool more than it did a residence, but, of course, the rains eventually ceased, the water dried up, and the house kept on growing until it's beginning to resemble that new home that Jane and Floyd have been dreaming about. And before Thanksgiving, they'll probably be moving into it.

Willie Roiman and Carl Dodwell went places Labor Day week-end. From what we hear, we believe that the general idea of the boys was to visit as many cities as they could in as short a time as possible. And did they ever cover territory! They visited, between Saturday noon and the time they came to work Tuesday morning the cities of Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville and St. Louis. And they did more than wave at those towns, too. While in St. Louis they had a very enjoyable boat trip on the "Admiral."

Mary Ruth Harrison returned September 4 after a much enjoyed trip to Detroit and Chicago.

Ruth Liestman and her friend Mac Ooms of Chicago left on the last day of August for a journey into the West and Northwest. They stopped at Banff and Lake Louise, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles. We're counting on hearing all about it when Ruth returns.

Marjorie and Willard Tatham were in Chicago for Labor Day.

The State Fair attracted a number of our friends herabout, June Krumsiek, Aline Moore and Edna Johnston among them. The trio mentioned went over to Springfield one evening for dinner and the night events at the Fair.

Clara Uhl has the most beautiful tan, acquired on her vacation on a ranch in the Golden West. Clara came back to the office on September 3, enthusiastic as could be about her experiences. She confesses

that she would like to have brought the West back with her, or even the ranch on which she and her sister had such a good time, and, if that were impossible, her favorite saddle horse. Needless to say, Clara says she'd like to go again, 'most any time.

Mr. Keil and his family returned from a pleasant vacation in the Rocky Mountains in Colorado.

The Everett Wacasers have returned from a trip through the East. They were at both Washington and New York and enjoyed both the scenery and the cities.

Al Hill was back on the job, discharging his messengerial duties, on September 9, at the end of a two weeks' motor trip into the East. Chattanooga, Washington and New York, with all the high spots between, were included in the itinerary.

Delores Virden returned to her desk on September 3 after a pleasant week's vacation at home. She had fun sewing and—can you guess?—skating.

Delores's sister Hazel Allen had her vacation the first week in September. One morning Hazel stopped in to see us for a few minutes, bringing her little nephew, Jerry Otis, Irene's little son. We all enjoyed Jerry, who is a nice-looking, blonde little man of four. We don't blame Irene and the aunties for being very proud of him.

Olivia Pando recently spent several days in Chicago.

Dorothea Uhl a couple of weeks ago drove down to Edwardsville to spend a day with relatives there.

Aline Moore really does get around, we are told. Just lately her favorite city seems to be St. Louis, for she's been there some time during the last three week-ends.

Dorothy Cooper and Opal Jackson have practically packed the last hair pin by this time in preparation for their long-considered trek into Northwest.

Walter Bowan spent his vacation following the picnic motoring through northern Illinois.

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 Oh, Yeah! Says Doc

It is said the average American family pays the doctor \$75 a year. This will be real news to the doctor.—Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch.



TWO MUELLER EMPLOYEES

Witnessed One of the Most Shocking Road Tragedies of the Year

Death rides with a careless driver! Also, in cars equipped with defective tires. Four Chicagoans, three of them members of one family, trapped behind jammed doors, were burned to death in this 1940 Dodge on August 31 west of Tuscola. The automobile burst into flames after it had been side-swiped by an on-coming car and turned over three times. Carl Dodwell and Willie Rohman, en route to Cincinnati, arrived at the scene about ten minutes after the accident had happened, before the charred bodies had been removed from the wreckage, and took this picture which gives mute testimony to the horrible lesson in carelessness. The accident apparently was due to a blow-out on the other car, causing it to pull over the middle and strike the on-coming car. The accompanying picture is unpleasant to look upon. However, careless driving, with its increasing toll of fatalities, or permanent injuries, surely justifies it. If it shocks a few drivers into a realization of the penalty of recklessness, it will have accomplished a good purpose.

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thusiasm shown in the croquet tournaments this season. In each of the tournaments a new play off series was arranged called the "double elimination tournament" which means that any contestant has to lose two matches before he is eliminated from the tournament. This is the first year that the "double elimination tournament" has been used, and it has proved very successful in the men and women's singles tournament.

Although there has not been so many contestants in either the men or women's singles, there has been much more en-

thusiasm because the players knew that if they lost one game they still had a chance to come back and try for the championship. We saw an example of "come back" in the women's singles. Margaret Wilson was defeated by Mrs. Charlie Johnson in her second match. Then Margaret won all of her games in the loser's bracket and came back and played Mrs. Johnson in the finals, winning from her two straight games, for the women's championship. In one of the final games, Margaret defeated Mrs. Johnson in three minutes time. It was the fastest game that has ever been seen at the Mueller Lodge. Mrs. Johnson had one shot after she made her first side arch, and Margaret shot and carried Mrs. Johnson's ball with her the full round and finished the game.

Men's Croquet Single Tournament

There were sixteen men entered in the singles tournament this year, and we saw some very exciting and some very close games. Charlie Johnson was too tough for the boys in that he never lost a match from the beginning to the finals. He defeated Bert Butt in the finals two straight games. Charlie and Mrs. Johnson are going to be very hard to beat in the doubles tournament.

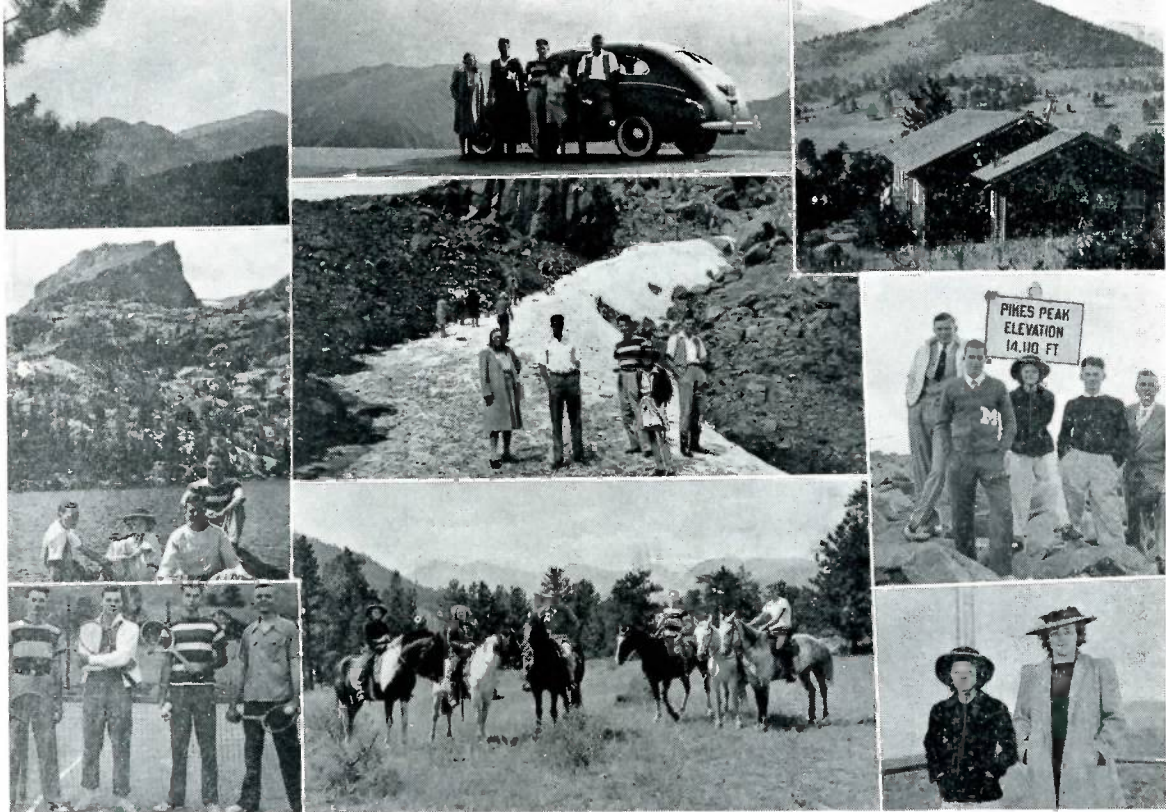
Doubles Tournament

The croquet doubles tournament is just getting under way, and it is impossible at this time to pick a winner. There are sixteen teams entered, and anyone of the eight teams can win because they are so closely matched, and the chances of being eliminated once and still have a chance to come back again. Pete and Llama Duncan are the defending champions, and they are going to have their hands full to successfully defend their championship this year.

Indoor Program

The gymnasium has recently been painted and is being put in condition for the fall and winter program. It won't be long until we start roller skating, badminton, ping pong, basketball, and our new sport, bank

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Left panel reading down: View of Long Peak from porch of Keil Cottage; Bear Lake; Tennis at an elevation of 8,000 feet.

Center panel: On the road to Bear Lake with Continental Divide in background; snowballing in the mountains on August 22; Keil family on horse back for a gallop in the mountains.

Right panel: Rear view of cottage; top of Pike's Peak; Mrs. O. C. Keil and daughter, Carolyn, atop of Pike's Peak.

KEIL FAMILY IN THE ROCKIES

We did not start out under the impetus of a slogan, "Pikes Peak or Bust," but we did end our vacation by driving the faithful Mercury to the very top of that famous peak, and believe it or not, we were far from busted even though it was the end of a grand vacation experience.

Our descent from the peak, marked the beginning of our homeward trek, with a brief stop in Wichita, Kansas, to visit friends, and a meandering journey through the Ozarks via Bagnell Dam. And they call them mountains!

A comfortably furnished cottage tucked away on the side of Deer Mountain near Estes Park, Colorado, sheltered us from the intermittent showers and cool evenings and the view looking south from the closed in sleeping porch with Long's Peak reigning dominantly in a long range of beautiful mountain peaks, defies description from a prairie state inhabitant.

It is not difficult to pass the time in surroundings such as the Estes Park region affords. Tennis at the Y.M.C.A. Conference grounds, horseback riding, hiking over numerous mountain trails, auto trips to nearby places of interest such as Grand Lake, Bear Lake, Thompson Canyon, Baldpate Inn, of

the famous Seven Key fame, and numerous other places.

We found a most pleasing diversion in the evening steak fry parties, where groups of twenty to twenty-five on horseback rode for an hour to a mountain rendezvous, where fires and provisions awaited the hungry riders. After the feast, entertainment around the camp fire, led by two attractive western girls with their banjo and guitar accompanying the voices of all in the party. And then the ride home with the singing continued along the moonlit mountain trail. Western songs in their true setting.

Yes, we voted this vacation one of the best ever, a unanimous vote.

MESSENGER HILL ON TRIP

Lots of Miles, Lots of Fun and Lots of Things to See

Al Hill, factory and office messenger, who manages the Tenney ball team in his spare time, had quite an extensive trip to the east coast. Four members of the Tenney team accompanied him. Their first stop was Cincinnati, where the five ball fans visited Gene Thompson, Decatur pitcher for the Cincinnati Reds, and watched him win 5-0. Al wasn't much impressed by the city of

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DEATHS

Mrs. Frank Edmonson

Mrs. Frank Edmonson, age 34, died Monday morning, August 26, in the Decatur and Macon County Hospital where she had been confined for a week. Edna, as she was known to the multitude who called her friend, had been ill only a short time, and her death came as a shock to everyone. Vivacious, fun-loving, always with a smile and a cheery word, her absence will be felt not only by her family, but at the Social Club gatherings where she took an active part, at church where she taught a class of small children, in the clubs to which she belonged, and the neighborhood in which she lived. She was treasurer of the Garfield Kindergarten Mother's Club, a graduate of the Decatur High School, and had attended the Eastern Illinois State Teachers college at Charleston. Before her marriage, Edna was a member of the Cost Department, where her husband is now head accountant.

Beside her husband, she leaves two daughters, Carol Lou, 6, and Judith Ann, 3, her mother, Mrs. W. G. Cranston, and a sister, Jane, who works for Mr. J. W. Wells. Edna's father, W. G. Cranston, physical director for Mueller Co. for many years, died about a year ago.

Funeral services were held at 2 P.M. Wednesday in the Brintlinger funeral home with burial in Macon County Memorial park.

Perry E. Ford

Perry E. Ford, age 34, died August 15 following an illness of several months. He was the brother of Marvin and Carroll Ford, Dept. 8, Victor Ford, foundry, and Mrs. Georgia Beimfohr of the Core Department. Other survivors are his wife, two sons, Allen E. and Dale L., and his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ford, and two sisters, Miss Cloy Ford, and Mrs. Ruth Brownlow.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 P.M. on Saturday in the family residence, two miles east and two miles south of Decatur. Burial was in Mt. Gilead cemetery.

IT'S ABOUT TO RING

The bell on suggestions will soon ring, we are on the home stretch. October 31 is the closing day. This is little more than a month, but allows plenty of time to make a winning suggestion. You may have in your mind an idea that may top any idea yet submitted on

Reduced Overhead
Safety

Increased Production

Or one for improvement in design on new goods. There is \$500 in that. Worth trying for. Well, why don't you try?

SERIOUS POSE



The picnic wasn't a serious affair for Lyle Edward Maxwell, but having his picture taken was. Lyle is the son of John Maxwell, night watchman.

One moderate statement backed by facts is worth a dozen forcible statements with weak support.—Martin Vanbee

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bowling, which many of the employees saw at the Lodge this summer. There will be regular tournaments and play offs held in each of these sports during the fall and winter, and we would like to have everyone who is interested in the above sports join in and compete in these tournaments, because the more we have in the tournaments the more good we get from it, and the more fun for everyone.

Boy Scouts

Our troop of Boy Scouts sponsored by the Mueller Co., spent the week end in Charleston at the Camporee. About 1,000 boys of the Lincoln Trails Council in central Illinois attended. They left here Friday afternoon at 2:30 and came back to Decatur Sunday afternoon about 6 o'clock.

At this Camporee the boys competed with other troops to show how well they knew their scout-craft, camping, cooking, and most everything that goes to make up a camp when boys go out by themselves. Our troop received a "Grade A" rating, one of the highest given at the Camporee, and each of our boys was awarded an emblem to be worn on his scout suit, which is quite an honor for the boys in our troop who attended this camp. This speaks well for our Scout Master, Herman Roe, who is responsible for most of the training these boys have received.



Harley had borrowed a 14 ft. ladder to use while painting his house, and his method of returning it was similar to that shown in the above cartoon. Mrs. Himstead drove the car, while Harley folded his six feet and some odd inches into the rear compartment of the car, and held the ladder in an upright position. All went well until Mrs. Himstead went under a tree. The ladder came down on a car which was approaching, but with no serious damage done to either the car or the ladder. Harley suffered a bit from surprise, as no doubt he will do when he sees this picture.

HILL VACATION

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Cincinnati, as it was too hilly to suit him.

On to Washington

From there the party went to Washington, D. C. where they visited the usual points of interest — Washington's Monument, Lincoln's Monument, Bureau of Printing and Engraving, and the capitol. They rode the elevator up to the top of Washington's Monument and walked down, eighteen minutes being required for the descent compared to about a minute and a half going up. The boys were disappointed to find the White House closed to visitors, but attended a session in the House of Representatives.

Mt. Vernon

They visited Washington's home at Mt. Vernon, Annapolis, the mint at Philadelphia, and went on to New York City for a stay of four days. Al says New York is all right for a visit, but too big, too noisy, and with too many people to make it a desirable place to live. The Fair he thought was pretty, but he did not care for it particularly. The boys stayed just eleven blocks from Times Square, and were more

favorably impressed by the bright lights there than at the Fair.

Up Hudson to West Point

From New York they followed the Hudson river up to West Point, arriving for the first day of school, but missing all the drills and parades for which West Point is noted. All they saw was some football scrimmage by a group of scrubs. Then on through Albany to Buffalo and Niagara Falls, and over into Canada. No trouble was encountered either entering or leaving Canada, but they saw a great many men in uniform and visited several flying fields.

They hurried across Canada in order to be in Detroit to see Bob Feller pitch for the Cleveland Indians, and were disappointed when he was taken out after the fifth or sixth inning.

From Detroit to Toledo to pick up two of the boys who had remained in New York, and on to Chicago where they saw Gene Thompson pitch another winning game, having lost two in the interim.

VACATION TRIPS

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Enloe and son, Charles, took an extensive motor trip through the south on their vacation. They visited Indianapolis, Louisville, Frankfort, Lexington, Knoxville, Norris Dam, Smokey Mountains, Cumberland Gap, Murphy, N. C., Cleveland, Tennessee, Atlanta, Rome, and Rossville, Georgia, Chattanooga, Nashville, and Evansville, Indiana. At Chattanooga they visited the Mueller plant, and their itinerary at one time took them into three states within five minutes.

At Fifty Lakes

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Mason, accompanied by Tommy Mason, and Shirley Lanham, a niece, spent a delightful vacation in Minnesota at Fifty Lakes. Basil reports that they caught plenty of fish and had a grand time.

WEDDINGS

Vogel-Kramer

Lucy Vogel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cris Vogel, and Joseph Kramer, Department 8, were married August 31 in St. Elmo at St. Mary's Catholic church. A double ceremony was performed, Mr. Kramer's brother marrying Miss Vogel's sister, at the same time. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kramer are living at 1506 N. Edward street.

The bridegrooms are brothers of Lawrence Kramer, Department 9.

Davis-Workman

Marjorie Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Davis, Decatur, and Jesse Workman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Workman, were married by a Probate Judge at Olathe, Kansas, Sunday, August 5.

They are living at 1470 E. Riverside.

Jesse is a key filer in Department 8, and Jim is a molder in the brass foundry.

Coffman-Ater

Announcement was made on September 8 of the wedding of Miss Thelma May Coffman of the Core Department to Charles E. Ater on June 22. The ceremony was performed in Mayfield, Kentucky by Rev. E. J. Robinson of the Methodist church. Attendants were Miss Berdene Shain and W. A. Nance, Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Coffman, R.R. 2, and the bridegroom the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Ater of Argenta.

Mr. Ater is employed at Oakes Products Co. and they are living at 1270 N. College street.

Bennett-Cross

Marian Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman O. Bennett, and Melvin Cross of Dept. 8, were married at 7 P.M. Friday, September 13, in the Central Church of Christ. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. W. Flewelling in the presence of 300 guests.

The bride wore white satin with a heart-shaped neckline, a strand of pearls which was the gift of the bridegroom, and a finger-tip length veil that was held with a spray of orange blossoms. Her sister, Betty, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaid was the bridegroom's sister, Miss Jean Cross. Arthur Neuendorf was best man, and ushers were Wade Garner, William Biddle, and Virgil Ward. Mrs. Helen Phillippi, organist, accompanied Frank Griswold who sang "Because," and "I Love Your Truly." He is a cousin of the bride.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rolla C. Cross, Shore Acres.

Character is the combination of qualities which distinguishes one person, or a group of persons, from others; the estimate attached to an individual by the community in which he lives.

BIRTHS

ECKERLE—Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Eckerle of Kansas City, a daughter, August 27, in the St. Joseph hospital. She has been named Phyllis Ann. Mrs. Eckerle is the former Janet Cozad, a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mueller.

BULLA—Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bulla, a son, Philip Wesley, August 24. Mr. Bulla is employed in the Foundry Office.

WRIGHT—Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wright, Dept. 9, a daughter, August 15.

PORTER—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Porter, a son, Gerald Francis, August 30. Mr. Porter works in the Foundry Grinding Room.

FORMER MUELLER MEN

Have Prominent Part in a Sensational Attempted Hold-up

The attempted robbery at the Vic Herb residence on West Main Street Road, Thursday night, August 29, followed by the killing of Roy Smull on Saturday, August 31, was of particular interest to many in this organization because of the part taken by Sergeant Glen Kerwin of the police force and "Tuck" Smith, an employee at the Herb tavern. Both of these men formerly worked here under the late Billy Mason. Glen Kerwin has been a member of the police force for quite a few years and is regarded as a level-headed officer and one who does not hesitate to "shoot it out" with lawbreakers. "Tuck" Smith, who figured in the attempted hold up showed quick thinking when he went into the cellar with the day's receipts, which were quite large. Another person who was equal to the occasion was Mrs. Glen Kerwin. While her husband was battling the hold up men she got out of the house, slipped off her white shoes, so as not to attract the attention of the hold up gang, and crawled across the highway to get neighbors to call the officers, which they did.

Next day Glen, "Tuck" and two men friends drove to Chicago to attend the races. Still in shooting mood they "took a shot" at the Double-Daily race, cost fifty cents apiece, \$2.00 in all and they hit the bull's eye. Returns on the small investment brought a profit of \$4.82. Some other small pickups raised the day's profit to over \$500.

Good shooting all around.

Wanted Expert Advice

Gentleman (at the police station)—"Could I see the man who was arrested for robbing our house last night?"

Desk Sergeant—"This is very irregular. Why do you wish to see him?"

Gentleman—"I don't mind telling you. I only want to ask him how he got in the house without awakening my wife."

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Foltz Puppet Shows adaptable for any gathering. Prices reasonable. Special rates to churches. Inquire at 1326 N. Church. Willard Foltz.

LOST AND FOUND

Found—Ten Year Service Pin. Employment Department.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Brooms For Sale—Made by the blind at factory in Tuscola. Handled by Mrs. Charles Riley, 1111 N. Monroe. Phone 2-5146.

FOR SALE—A Garland Gas Range side oven in good condition, \$8.00. Inquire at 1729 N. Witchell Ave. or Louis Bland of Dept. 9.

For Sale: Beautiful inlaid glass benches for rock gardens or lawns. Something new, different, and ever-lasting. F. H. Williams, 1027 E. Riverside.

For Sale—Cream and green enamel kitchen range. Good condition. 1464 E. Leafland.

For Sale: Davenport with slip cover. Marian Richards. Phone 2-7735.

For Sale—Golf Clubs. Left Handed. Two Woods (driver and brassie), seven irons. Olie Fortschneider—3526. Dept. No. 35. Phone 2-5483.

For Sale: One Hot Point Electric Water Heater at \$3. Marion Pippin.

For Sale: One toilet stool in very good condition, \$4.00. C. C. Reidelberger, Dept. 300, No. 736 W. Harrison.

For Sale: One 20" used Ward's Master Heatrola, \$20. One Prince Kalamazoo cook stove, \$15. See Wm. T. O'Dell, Dept. 80.

For Sale: Radio, table model Philco, 6 tube, two and one-half years old, \$15. On display at cafeteria. A. C. Werdes.

For Sale: Wood working machinery for home craft work mounted on bench 42"x96" with five drawers. Wagner 60 cycle 110 V. ½ H.P. motor, turning lathe 36" carriage, with tools, scroll saw, circular saw, planer, shaper, grinder, sander, all operated from shaft in center of bench. You can come and get this whole outfit for \$35 at 716 W. Prairie Avenue.

For Sale: 50 lb. refrigerator, side icer, fair condition. \$2.50. Inquire 931 N. Hill. Frank Stevenson, Clock No. 1103.

ITEMS FOR SALE

For Sale: Yellow Pop Corn—7c per pound. Roy Pease, Harristown Telephone 296.

WANTED TO BUY

WANTED—24" frame used Bicycle. Lloyd Walters, Dept. 8.

OUR CAFETERIA

As Compared to High Priced Places Serving Expensive Fancy Food

There has been some improvement in the number taking advantage of the cafeteria. There is room for more. We are doing more than advise you to eat there—we are inviting you to try it.

When one thinks of the excellent eating place at such reasonable prices, one wonders why anyone should fail to take advantage of such an opportunity.

Recently the writer visited St. Louis and lunched in the tea room of one of the largest department stores—beautiful surroundings, perfect service, delicious food, and prices accordingly. We enjoyed such food as soup, fresh shrimp, scallops, potato chips, cottage cheese with chives and pears, asparagus tips, coffee, and ice cream, accompanied by four or five kinds of buns, bread, etc.

But there is one thing to be said about the food. It was rich and appetizing, but not the kind one could eat daily and expect to get fat on or live long.

In all sincerity we can say that for substantial wholesomeness, quantity, cookery, the food served in our Cafeteria is much more desirable and more healthful, and it can be your daily diet without any ill effects. And the price—one luncheon of the kind mentioned would cost four times as much as one big lunch costs at the cafeteria.

Get wise to these facts.

Composers Should Be Small Eaters

When Puccini, the great Italian composer was writing his first opera, "La Villi", he was so poor that he had to live on credit for four months at a tiny restaurant in a Milan slum.

Fastest Creature on Legs

The Indian cheetah, or leopard, is supposed to be the fastest creature on legs, occasionally touching 60 miles an hour.