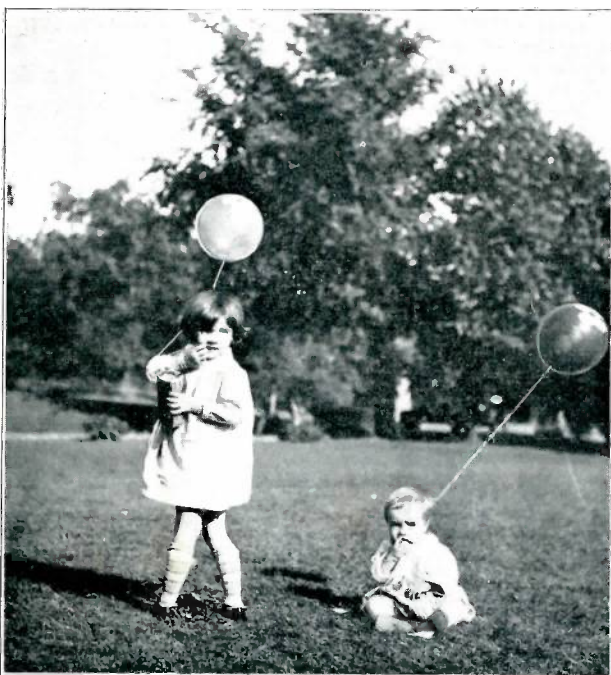


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A Pretty Picnic Scene. Dorothy Mae Jordan, age 5, and Bobby Card, age 5 months, enjoying the picnic. —Photo by Marie Eagleton

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## BACK FROM ABROAD

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### Some Incidents in the Trip by Messrs. Adolph and Robert Mueller

Mr. Adolph, Mr. Robert and Ebert Mueller and Attorney A. G. Webber arrived home early in September after their European travels, covering a period of three months. They visited many different countries and had a highly enjoyable time. Messrs. Adolph Mueller and Webber came back on the North German Lloyd "Bremen," which broke all ocean records on her maiden voyage. Mr. Robert and Ebert came back on the Reliance and they had to come second class. It was not very pleasant but it was necessary because of the big demand for western passage. The Americans traveling in Europe, seem by common consent to pick on early September for their return trip. They all want to come back at once and the steamship facilities are simply not equal to the demand. Messrs. Robert and Ebert had first class cabin passage engaged on the Paris, one of the finest ships of the French line. The night before that date of sailing, the big steamer was gutted by fire. They succeeded within a few days in getting second class accommodations on the Reliance, which they took. Otherwise they might still be in Europe. The papers recently referred to the difficulty of American tourists to secure return passage. Those tourists whose means compel them to limit the length of time they will stay and the amount of money they can spend, face a serious problem. It is a lot of fun visiting in Europe with plenty of money but it is far from that to be there broke.

Our party visited England, Scotland, Holland, Germany, Austria, France. Much of that traveling was done by automobile. This method brought them in close contact with the people of the different countries.

Both Messrs. Robert and Adolph brought back menu cards from their ships. A great variety of the finest food is served. It equals the best hotels anywhere. On the Bremen the card is printed daily in German and English. This ship also prints a daily paper of 12 pages 10x13, half English and half German.

The copy brought back contains beautiful pictures of Fairy Lake, Rainer National Park, Tacoma, the Stadium at Chicago, Niagara Falls and the sky scrapers on lower Broadway, N. Y.

A paper napkin from the Hotel Eisenhut, Rothersburg, is interesting by comparison to the kind with which Americans are familiar. It is much softer, and more nearly resembles cloth both in appearance and texture.

A neatly printed program tells of the provisions on the Bremen for the pleasure and entertainment of the passengers.

In the morning a plunge in the swimming

pool is available. There is a gymnasium equipped with every known device for exercising and an instructor to tell you how to lose or gain weight. There is a shooting gallery and a bowling alley and in addition a great variety of deck games.

Medicinal baths of various kinds can be had with service of skilled masseurs. If your health demands it or your doctor prescribes it, special food will be prepared for you. For Jewish passengers kosher food is provided.

Meals are served: Breakfast, 8 to 10 a. m. Luncheon, 1 to 2:50 p. m.; Dinner, 7 to 8:50 p. m.

Tea is served at 4 p. m. in stated places on the ship, followed by moving pictures and dancing.

At night there is dancing.

Meals are served ala carte, day and night in the sun deck restaurant.

There is a play room for children, a fine library and a street of shops where many things may be purchased.

A tourist office gives travel information to all parts of the world and there are several photographers on board.

Mr. Adolph had with him a moving picture camera and was successful in getting several hundred feet of films which he is showing at noon in the gymnasium. From these an excellent idea of the places visited and of the people in different countries and cities may be obtained.



### PLANT 3

Al Culver and family and his brother, John Culver, have just returned from New Jersey where they spent their vacation.

Van E. Campbell has just returned from his vacation which he spent at his home in Columbus, Ohio. He and his wife made the trip by motor. He visited several potteries while gone.

T. E. Curry has been laid up with an ulcer in his eye. He did not get first aid for several days.

Simon Henry was called to his home in Pennsylvania due to the serious illness of his father. After returning he was transferred to the Casting Shop casting special pieces and instructing apprentice casters.

J. R. Mayhew was in Washington, D. C., on a business trip.

John Payne is again working at the pottery.

C. O. Durham has again started working in the Casting Shop of the Pottery.

Fred Colendar has just recently returned from Trenton, New Jersey, after having spent several weeks at the bedside of a friend who died.

Alfred Trent and Mildred Taylor were married September 21.

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## OUR ANNUAL PICNIC

Could anything have been finer than Saturday, September 14, the day of Mueller Employees' Picnic at Fairview Park. It was somewhat late in the picnic season, but the attendance demonstrated that hot weather is not a necessary adjunct to a successful and enjoyable outdoor gathering. According to disinterested observers, newspaper men and park employes, the crowd during the afternoon and evening totaled 5,000 persons. It was the largest picnic of the season at Fairview and the program was carried through without a single unpleasant feature to mar its enjoyment.

The weather was perfect. There was an early autumn coolness, but the sun shone cheerfully all day long. The temperature was just right for a day of outdoor sports, and in the evening made dancing a real pleasure.

The crowd did not gather until noon but from then on until evening it grew constantly. Eight hundred automobiles were cared for in fine shape and there was no confusion and no accidents.

The cane rack, the doll throwing stand, the children's games, speaking exercises, pony riding, stunts, children's games, baseball kept the crowd busy throughout the afternoon and evening.

### Some of the Highlights

With the children, nothing pleased so much as the pony rides. The ring was surrounded all afternoon and the sixteen Sherlands had a busy day.

The dancing of the pupils of Miss Annette Van Dyke, made a beautiful outdoor spectacle. This was held on the speaker's platform immediately following the addresses delivered by members of the company. All the seats were occupied and many stood.

A program of stunt contests on the same platform held the attention of the big audience for nearly an hour. These created a lot of merriment.

The cane rack, the doll throwing booth and the balloon stands had a heavy run of business.

The greased pole which has for many years been a source of delight at outdoor gatherings, has lost none of its power of

attraction. At the top of the pole were three one dollar bills and there was stirring competition among the kids for this prize. A large crowd gathered and cheered the kids. After many trials had been made, Melvin Trimmer managed to get within touching distance and slid down the pole with the prize amid the applause and cheers of the spectators.

A splendid concert by the Goodman band was given throughout the afternoon. This was sufficient entertainment for many persons who sat in the shade and listened to the fine band.

Hundreds of people were on hand for the open air moving picture show given at the place of the afternoon speaking exercises. Seven reels, mostly of a comedy nature were shown. C. E. Morrow of the Morrow Picture Theatre on Water street, handled this feature for the picnic committee.

The Mueller families had their annual picnic dinner on the lawn north of the pavilion. There was one long table which was well supplied with everything that goes to make up a picnic feast.

The salesmen were missed, of course. Their presence always affords the home organization an annual opportunity of meeting and getting better acquainted, and the salesmen always manage to put an extra kick into the pleasures of the day.

Howard C. Schaub, managing editor of the Review, was an interested visitor during the afternoon. He is also the head of the Park System. The Mueller picnic made a hit with Mr. Schaub. "It's great," he said several times. Like a county fair with the pony rides, cane rack, baby throwing rack, moving pictures and so on. The system of furnishing mothers with cribs for the babies and the baby show also pleased him.

Wm. Brookman, of the Plumbers Trade Journal, was also a visitor as he has been for several years past. He has not missed a Mueller picnic since he has been on this territory.

Plans are already in the making for next year's picnic. The effort of the committee



is to make each succeeding picnic a little better each year.

#### The Committees

The following committees handled the picnic arrangements:

General Committee—Robert Mueller, Adolph Mueller, J. W. Wells, C. G. Auer and E. H. Langdon.

#### Committees

Mueller Fixture Co.—A. W. Eichman, F. P. Whalen.

Vitreous Ware, Plant 3—J. R. Mayhew.

Iron Foundry, Plant 2—C. W. Hathway.

Children's Program—Burt Jackson.

Athletics—W. G. Cranston.

Music and Dance—Robt. Lusk.

Moving Pictures and Publicity—C. N. Wagenseller.

Afternoon Meeting—C. F. Roarick.

Doll Racks, Balloons, Cane Racks—Robt. Lusk.

Baby Show—E. H. Langdon.

Grounds—Charles Cochran.

First Aid—Henry Morey.

Exhibit—Harland Himstead.

Traffic—Claude Ping, Julius Staudt.

Stunts—C. M. Cornelius.

Golf—Frank Mueller.

#### Horse Shoe Pitching

All day long the horse shoe pitchers were busy at the court northwest of the pavilion. The experts who have not missed a noon day all summer, piled up ringers, leaners until 4 o'clock p. m., when the score showed R. R. Burrus and Wilbur Stearns winners. The second team was composed of Clarence Moore and Ray Chandler. At all times the court was surrounded by a crowd very generous with advice and free and easy comment.

#### The Refreshment Stand

The refreshments were handled by Ira and Walter Auer, who had a corps of assistants kept on the jump all afternoon and evening serving drinks, ice cream, hot dogs and hamburgers. The amount of business transacted is always a good index to the size of the crowd. This would indicate the largest crowd we have ever had as the volume of business was the greatest the Auer brothers have ever enjoyed. The business was not so good, however, in the soda and ice cream lines, which are the ones carrying the largest profit.



#### BRASS CHIPS

Ed Stille spent the week end with home folks in Ohio at a reunion of his father's family.

The following spent the week end of September 21 at the Okaw cabin: Charles Cochran, John Duffy, Ed. Stille, William Ferry and William Thomas. Adolph Mueller, Everett Mueller and J. W. Simpson were with them on Sunday.

Mrs. Philip Mueller, Mrs. Herman Weigand, of New York, and Mrs. W. F. Kaiser visited the Main Plant, September 24. Tom Riggs acted as guide.

J. J. Barry of the New Britain Machine Company, made us a visit September 29.

Paul L. Hines, our salesman from Tennessee, visited the plant August 28. He was in Decatur to attend the wedding of his sister.

J. C. Netz and daughter of Los Angeles, were guests of J. R. Mayhew, manager of Plant 3, September 13. Mr. Netz is with the Howe Brothers of Los Angeles and is a friend of Mueller goods.

William DeLaughter of Plant 2 was injured in an automobile accident while returning from the Mueller Picnic.

Frank Schultz of the Assembly Dept., has been absent from work because of a lame back. Part of this time he was at a government hospital at Dwight, Ill.

J. E. Foster, of the Assembly Dept., has been off with a broken arm. He cranked a Ford.

E. E. Tedford of the Machine Shop, has been sick at his home for several months without very much change in his condition. Walter Behrens of the Assembly Dept., has been absent for the past week on account of sickness.

Frank Albright of Plating Dept., was off for a week in September with a burn on his hand. The gasoline stove at his home caught fire, and his thumb was burned while getting it out of the house.

Mrs. Minnie Green, stenographer in the Engineering Dept., resigned to take a position elsewhere. De Ette Hamel of the Standard Dept., succeeds her.

Lela Smith has been employed to take Miss Hamel's place in the Standard Dept.

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Virginia Riedlntger, grand-daughter of Mrs. Overfield of the Cafeteria. The mother of this pretty little girl was Hazel Overfield, who formerly worked in the core room.



**THE BABY SHOW**

**Seventy-Two Sons and Daughters of Mueller  
Employes on Dress Parade**

The annual baby show was held at headquarters tent at 4 o'clock on picnic day. A large crowd was attracted. Since last picnic, seventy-two babies have been born in Mueller employes families, at least that many were entered. Mothers and babies were assembled on the lawn for a photograph which was finally secured by Artist Seitz. Boys, girls and grown people evidently considered themselves a part of the infantile display and some time was lost in getting them out of focus. With that accomplished the task was not an easy one. Seventy-two mothers with an equal number of infants were about all the camera could take care of. Next year it is hoped that a better arrangement can be made for this photograph. Each baby got a bank book with a credit of \$1.00 on a saving account. Following is a list of the parents together with the names of the babies entered in the show:

Parent	Baby
Lloyd Shallenbarger.....	Doris Ilene
C. M. Mitchell.....	Richard Dean
H. C. Albright.....	Dick La Verne
Archie Sefton.....	Richard Eugene
Shirley Reynolds.....	James Richard
Guy Jones.....	Billy Joan
C. W. Brown.....	Carl Delbert
Anthony Grossman.....	Robert Eugene
Ben Gregory.....	Dorothy Analie
Charles Cochrane.....	Betty Louise
W. T. Mason.....	Robert Thomas
Cecil Cole.....	Mary Jane
Edwin Sturgeon.....	Kenneth Lee
E. J. Butt.....	James Milton
William Knight.....	Winfred Clare
Frank Auburn.....	Viola Catheryne
Dean Carter.....	Betty Dean
Emil Wombacker.....	Robert Eugene
Charles Miller.....	William Shairon
Cecil Phelps.....	Robert Lee
Charles Stogsdill.....	John Wesley
O. R. Curry.....	Donald Lawson
Norman Pool.....	Norman Keigh
August Henne.....	Richard Gall
Bruce Sattley.....	Richard Lee
O. R. Phares.....	John Ardenyar
Shirl Tish.....	Richard Clayton
L. E. Kramer.....	Earl James

Oscar Taylor.....	Robert Eugene
Harry Tankersley.....	William Richard
August Rauschek.....	Robert Henry
Coy Butler.....	Edna Lois
Albert Anderson.....	Beverly Jean
I. A. Morrison.....	Gene Howard
Fred Galka.....	Frederick William, Jr.
Jack Frye.....	Charles Wallace
Earl Tague.....	Dorothy June
Lester Botts.....	Kenneth Eiton
Floyd Walton.....	Donald Floyd, Jr.
W. A. Humphrey.....	Harlan Wayne
Warren Hall.....	William Carl
William Taylor.....	Dorlene Ruth
O. J. Hawkins.....	Gerald Hawkins
Russell Armstrong.....	Margaret Eloise
Robert Taubert.....	Rita May
P. D. Ruthrauff.....	Joan
Wade Rambo.....	John Edward
Roy Belser.....	Junior
Jesse Tippitt.....	Joyce Dorlen
Roy Hartwig.....	Betty Joan
James Gelsingar.....	Donald Leroy
Roy Radcliff.....	Roy Herald
John Curry.....	Alice Loretta
Lewis Miller.....	Earl Scott
Othniel Marsh.....	Robert Carl
Roy Anderson.....	William Otto
Philip Rittenhouse.....	Patricia Ann
Earl Reeves.....	Charley Wesley
William Brown.....	Eugene
Wilbur Simpson.....	Mary Olive
Orville German.....	Barbara Jeanne
Verne Jones.....	Shelma Jones
J. E. Woodrum.....	Estella Fern
Carl Youker.....	Francis Caroline
Elisha Oakleaf.....	Lucille Evelyn
Herman Chipan.....	Edward Chipan
Leo Woodburn.....	Warren D. Lyn
Dewey Tripp.....	Willie Eugene

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Coming Wedding**

The engagement and approaching marriage of Margaret Butts and Willard E. Hake was announced by the parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Butts. The wedding will take place Oct. 12th in the Church of God on West Macon, with Rev. J. K. Ward officiating. Mr. Hake is employed in the Stock Upkeep Dept.

Dorothy Kraft, stenographer in the Engineering Dept., checked out Sept. 24th.

### MARRIED Brinkley-Devine

Tessie M. Brinkley of the Production office and Omer Devine of Peoria, were married at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, August 22nd, in the parsonage of the First Christian church, with the Rev. L. A. Crown, pastor of the church, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Devine will make their home in Peoria, where Mr. Devine is employed by the Caterpillar Tractor Co.

Tessie has been Marshal Hobbs' efficient assistant in the purchased materials division of the department for several years and will be greatly missed by all her friends in the Mueller organization.



Charles E. Easley of the night shift, and Hazel Slover were married in Decatur, August 25. They live at 1272 E. Locust street.

Seibel Davis, clerk in the night brass shop, and Bessie Ofield were married at Mount Vernon, August 31. They live at 561 North Edward.

Charles Fenton and Hester Mouwry were married in Decatur on September 7. Their address is 1518 E. Decatur street.

Katherine Dingman of the Core Dept., and Clarence Osborne, were married in Decatur July 27. They live at 1459 East North street.

Ted I. Richart and Cleo Hill were married at Davis, Illinois, August 8. They live at 234 W. Leafland.

Floyd Landrum of the Machine Shop and Alice Fribourg were married at Decatur, July 16. They live at 1054 N. College street.

Ralph Masters of the Engineering Record Dept., and Grace McDaniel were married July 4. They live at 1441 W. Wood St.



### AN AUTO TRIP

Al Spitzer, foreman of the Rod Dept., returned August 22, from a month's visit with relatives in Broadway, Virginia. His people live in the fruit-growing country of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Al took the family, of course. They drove the 800 miles in two days. They made the same trip in 1924 with the same car, a Chevrolet. They had no car trouble.



### Walter Coventry Promoted

Walter Coventry, who has been working in the Main Office since the first of July, left Decatur September 27 for Dallas, Texas, where he will be assistant branch manager.

Walter began working here March 29, 1923 in the Assembly Dept. He got a little experience Saturday afternoons selling clothing in a store down town. On April 5, 1926 he started on the road as a junior salesman under Jess Keown and during those months traveled through Texas and Oklahoma.

In the spring of 1928 he went on the road with one of the trucks fitted up to demonstrate the use of Mueller copper service pipes. He drove through the middle and

western states as far as the Pacific Coast. When this work was finished he returned to the Main Office. Our good wishes go with Walter on his new job.



### THE STUNT PROGRAM

#### Beautiful Dancing by Miss Van Dyke's Pupils—Comic Stunts

A very enjoyable program of stunts was given on the platform following the speaking exercises. The big crowd completely filled the seats, and beneath the shade of the surrounding elms and oaks, enjoyed the program in comfort. The outstanding feature was the various dances put on by Miss Van Dyke's classes. All these were greatly enjoyed and heartily applauded. The comic stunts provoked a lot of fun and kept the crowd in good humor. The results follow:

1. Twins present—Patty Lou and Betty Lou Taylor, Violet and Viola Majeste, Arnold and Donald Metzger.

2. Group of dancing girls in Miss Van Dyke's class.

3. Best looking man in straw hat—Dick Cash, Foreman Kilm Shed, Plant 3.

4. Parasol dancing girls in Miss Van Dyke's class.

5. Fattest man—F. M. Schrear, Nickel Plating Dept.

6. Girl with most freckles—Erna Jeschawitz, daughter of Paul Jeschawitz, Dept. 33.

7. Janet Cozad and Mary Jane Brownback who did an eccentric dance.

8. Boy with most freckles—Lester Riber. Tallest man present—F. H. Williams, Dept. 8.

Shortest man present—August Kush, Dept. 18.



#### Remembers Early Employer

Marion R. Smith, traveling in Michigan, writes us a letter that in Jackson is an old Mueller employe. His name is John Lindermer, and he was an early employe of the late Hieronymus Mueller.

When Mr. Mueller first started business in Decatur, Lindermer entered his service. That has been a good many years ago, but time has not effaced the recollection of Mr. Lindermer's association with Mr. Mueller.

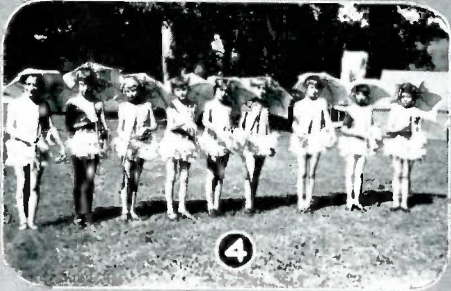
The superintendent of the water works at Jackson, Michigan, says that every now and then, Mr. Lindermer calls on him and always asks about the Mueller Co. It is interesting to know that thoughts of the company still remain so many years.



#### Adolph's Moving Pictures

Very interesting moving pictures taken by Adolph Mueller while traveling in Europe were shown at the Mueller gymnasium at noon, Tuesday, Sept. 17th and 24th.





## THE SPEAKING EXERCISES



The speaking exercises were held southwest of the pavilion as in years past, and there was a good crowd in attendance to hear the messages delivered by Mr. Robert and Mr. Adolph Mueller.

Seated on the platform were the following old employes, reading from left to right, back row: Theodore Shepperd, August Kush, Louis Wallenbrock, Gottfried Golembeck, Wm. Seeforth, Wm. Hill, Wm. Burgess, Phil Reab. Front row: B. J. Marty, Robert Mueller, A. G. Webber, Sr., Wm. Campbell. There were several more who cannot be identified because they were obscured by persons in front of them.

Mr. Robert Mueller was the first speaker and after bidding welcome to the picnic he recounted some of his experiences and observations during his European trip, making comparisons of conditions with those in the United States. Mr. Adolph spoke at some length. He referred to the satisfaction he had of getting back to his desk after his long trip. He, too, cited some incidents of his travels referring to the terrible rates of taxation in Germany, the movement of industrial plants to smaller towns, chain stores and credits, keen competition of today, and referred to the company's policy of awarding employes by promotion to important positions when they displayed sufficient ability to justify such promotion.

We will give a more extended account of the speech in the November Record because of the limited space

in this issue. Mr. Mueller, after the following preface, introduced Barney Marty and Billy Campbell, who are just home from the western coast, which trip was made as guests of the company.

"One of the problems now facing every employer of men who have reached middle age and likewise what provision to make with men who attain that age while occupying certain positions. This applies particularly to men who have no special line of work.

No one, however, can dispute the fact that younger men are more aggressive physically. They are more inclined to tear into work and get it done. These are the men who should develop themselves mentally along business lines. There is no combination in business that can beat mental and physical vigor and no greater insurance of permanent employment.

Our company has endeavored to develop men up to middle age for better positions within our organization. We recognize and appreciate loyalty and faithful service, but men should seek to better themselves and secure advancement on personal merit. They should do this mentally and physically.

To all executive positions and the more important positions a man must have intelligence and good judgment. These are the men that all big organizations are looking for.

Men who conscientiously seek self-improvement and succeed in acquiring it need not fear for their future. Their ability will be recognized when the occasion arises. As a demonstration of this I need only cite the fact that we have in this organization men past 40 and 50 years who are still very active in their positions."

Mr. Marty and Mr. Campbell then made a few remarks on the trip and the kindness of the company on making it possible. Then followed a program of stunts and other amusements which held the crowd for an hour.



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Leo Masterson, formerly of Plant 3, has been employed as clerk in the Upkeep-stock Dept. He succeeds Wilfred Reinhardt who recently took a position in Chicago.

Charles Murray has returned to the Iron Foundry after previous experience elsewhere. After all, there is no place like home.

Francis Jordan, who has been factory messenger for the past year, is now working for the Wabash. Ben Taylor now makes the rounds in his stead.

The Rev. A. B. Kettlecamp, who has been employed in the Standards Dept., has returned to the Methodist ministry. He was assigned to a church at the recent conference held in Decatur.

Elmer Pherigo, formerly of the Core Dept. and more recently of Plant 3, left September 18 without telling us good bye or leaving his address.

Amos Kraft of the drafting room, returned to Millikin University where he will continue his studies.

Robert Lusk, Jr., returned to the University of Illinois this fall.

Frank Ridgeway, who worked at Plant 3 this summer, has returned to high school.

Everett Wacaser, who has been clerk in the Machine Shop, entered the University of Illinois this fall.

Virgil King, of the Polishing Dept., has gone to work for the FZ Bag Co. in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

E. H. Langdon attended the National Safety Convention in Chicago the first week in October.

Mrs. Clara Gilbert, of the Employment Dept., has been absent from work because of sickness.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
EMPLOYEES' AID SOCIETY

July 25—Sept. 26, 1929		
July 25, cash balance.....		\$2,002.76
Receipts		
Company's contribution		
August .....	\$ 50.00	
Company's Contribution		
September .....	50.00	
Interest on bond.....	15.00	
August dues.....	832.10	
September dues.....	821.45	
Error in listing last statement .....	3.60	
Picnics, refreshment, concession .....	110.35	\$1,882.50
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>\$3,885.26</b>
Payments		
Flowers, Volkman funeral .....	\$ 5.00	
Benefits listed below.....	1,862.90	1,867.90
Sept. 26—cash balance.....		\$2,017.36
Resources		
Bonds .....	\$5,700.00	
Building & Loan stock		

(6-1-29) .....	1,744.00
Emergency Loan Fund.....	1,500.00
Cash in bank.....	2,017.36

Total .....

\$10,961.36

E. H. Langdon, Treasurer.

BENEFITS PAID

Lester Hogan \$81.30	F. O. Zetter-	
W. L. Porter 108.00	ind	34.00
Walter Kush 59.40	Jacob Kraft	37.50
Del Logue 9.00	Kenneth Smal-	
G. A. Hodges 28.00	ley	1.00
J. D. Dempsey 47.50	Jacob E. Foster	45.00
Felix Beschle 4.50	Albert Foster	10.50
Carl Armstrong 4.00	O. Ashcraft	25.20
F. D. Boggs 22.50	Wm. Bickers	6.00
Mrs. C. Gilbert 71.25	Joe Bender	64.00
Wm. G. Shep-	J. W. Layman	15.00
perd	H. Himstead	3.00
Jesse W.	A. Carter	9.00
Moore	L. Schroeder	1.50
42.00	Carl Haffey	2.00
S. Brashear 3.00	L. M. Reynolds	9.00
C. W. Marsh 4.50	George Jackson	13.50
R. E. Evans 48.90	W. L. Perkins	8.00
Jacob Stark 13.00	Roy Flecken-	
Wm. Lynch 13.55	stein	2.50
Frank D. Smith 5.00	August Bork	7.50
E. E. Tedford 73.50	Earl H. Smith	7.50
Wm. Seeforth 7.50	Ray E. Collins	2.50
Claude Flan-	E. F. Keen	5.00
ders	Chas. Stogsdill	10.00
12.00	W. H. Wikle	14.00
Byron Clover 3.60	August Kush	32.00
Joseph Bullard 85.40	Frank Albright	27.75
May Turner 27.40	Ralph Leslie	5.00
Burt Jackson 5.00	W. F. Denne-	
Fred Schlipf 20.00	witz	5.50
Alvin Harding 1.50	Beulah Jenkins	6.50
W. A. Ratliff 63.40	Louis Quinn	8.50
Frank Schultz 68.55	G. R. Hawkins	1.50
Fred Kushmerz 30.00	T. Treloggen	3.00
Glenn Jones 25.50	R. J. Reidel-	
George Moore 7.20	berger	1.80
Edgar Hartwig 7.50	Lonnie Fry	6.00
Mary Bauer 6.00	Melvin Scoles	15.00
L. Green 3.60	Philip Joplin	1.50
W. L. Adams 1.80	Walter Dunn	2.00
Frank Horn-	F. A. March	7.50
beck	Tom Hill	6.00
4.50	P. W. Brown	5.00
Elmer Nichols 6.30	Fred French	2.50
J. E. Woodrum 3.00	A. Brummit	33.00
Richard Gaines 27.00	Von LeHew	4.00
Clyde Hester 4.00	Russel Arm-	
James Paschal 30.00	strong	5.00
E. McVey 28.80	Mrs. D. Grine-	
Robt. Plunkett 22.50	staff	29.60
Gid Massengill 12.00	Glenn Misenhei-	
E. Musgrave 6.00	mer	2.00
Dewey Tripp 4.00	Henry Zipse	2.50
John Haynes 23.40	Chas. Laughlin	2.50
J. M. Eckman 5.00	Wm. Green	2.00
Luther Morris-	Wm. DeLaugh-	
son	ter	9.50
18.00	B. Cripe	7.20
Wm. D. Hayes 10.00	John Morska	1.00
S. R. Gepford 36.00		
Henry Baker 10.00		
Gilbert Masters 4.00		
T. O. Johnson 3.00		
Van Campbell 2.00		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,862.90</b>

### PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

Dorothea Hill is fast becoming a much traveled young lady. Sunday, September 22nd, she spent in St. Louis. Recently she was in Chicago, also.

Tessie Brinkley had a vacation during the week of September 16th. She spent part of the week in Shawneetown and other points in the southern part of the state visiting relatives. She returned to work the following Monday with an announcement that floored the office and stock room gangs; she was married the day before. For further particulars see the wedding column.

An epidemic of weddings has struck the department. Jim Fenton walked up to the altar a few weeks ago. There's one nice thing to be said about all these marriages—the candy that the force has been treated with isn't a bit hard to take.

Harlan Waddel has been transferred to the Production department from Department No. 9.

Ethel Nohren left us the latter part of August to become a Californian. She and her sister are attending college out in the land of—what is it—eternal sunshine. Her letters are full of glowing descriptions of the beautiful country and her enjoyment of it.

Dorothea Uhl, little sister of Clara Uhl of the Main office, and niece of Kitty and Al Wilkins, took Ethel's place.

The economy bug has bitten department No. 38 and bitten it hard. The girls in the office have become so Scotch that they use the adding machine paper on both sides. The paper, once used, is carefully preserved, pasted together and put back on the machine.

And woe, thrice woe, unto him who carelessly tears off a strip of the paper and consigns it to the waste basket. This adventure in economy is still in the experiment—Continued to Page Fourteen.)

### PONY RIDERS



Pony riding for the little folks has lost none of its attraction. All day long the kids were astride the little ponies enjoying the novelty of a "horseback" ride. No feature of the outing gave the children a greater kick.

### CHILDREN'S GAMES WINNERS

#### Twelve Events Kept Burt Jackson and His Aids Busy (See Opposite)

At 1:30 o'clock, Burt Jackson and his aides started the kid games. Miss Opal Jackson acted as clerk and Marie Eagleton did the photographing of the winners. It was a busy time for these officials getting the events under way, getting the names of the winners and finally lining them up "to be shot" for the Record. Seventeen events made up the program and these were won by the following. The pictures of the winners will be found on the opposite page:

Event No. 1.—Girls 12-16, 100 yard dash—1, Bernice Sternes; 2, Gretta Anderson; 3, Lorretta Stark.

Event No. 2—50 yard dash, Boys 12 and under—1, Ben Harshbarger; 2, Melvin Trimmer; 3, Ralph Cross.

Event No. 3—Ball Throwing—1, Dale Truelock; 2, Jack Sandifer; 3, Virgil Hudleston.

Event No. 4—Wheelbarrow—1, Arzinol Masters. William Burchert; 2, Ben Harshbarger, Herman Poe; 3, Orville Klaske, Ralph Runion.

Event No. 5—50 yard one legged race, 12 to 16—1, Jack Sandifer; 2, Ben Harshbarger; 3, Sylvester Black.

Event No. 6—Ball throwing, Girls, 12-16—1, Ada Joplin; 2, Bernice Sterne; 3, Gwendolyn Watkins.

Event No. 7—50 yard dash—1, Virgil Hudleston; 2, James Dennis; 3, Arzinol Masters.

Event No. 8—Pop Drinking—1, Loretta Stark; 2, Marie Hornback; 3, Gretta Anderson.

Event No. 9—100 yard dash, Boys 12-16—1, Jack Sandifer; 2, Arzinol Masters; 3, James Dennis.

Event No. 10—50 yard dash, Girls 12-16—1, Bernice Sternes; 2, Louise Rogers; 3, Alice Edwards.

Event No. 11—Cracker Eating, Boys 12-16—1, Bennie Muirheid; 2, Albertus Morgan; 3, James Dennis.

Event No. 12—50 yard dash, Girls 12 and under—1, Lillian Bohn; 2, Mary Stacey; 3, Lois Schoof.

Event No. 13—Sack Race, Boys 12-16—1, Wayne King; 2, Bennie Muirheid; 3, Arzinol Masters.

Event No. 14—One legged race, Girls 12 and under—1, Helen Warren; 2, Louise Rodgers; 3, Catherine Stacey.

Event No. 15—Tug-of-war.

Event No. 16—Potato Race—1, Patline Edwards; 2, Delores Sessa; 3, Agnes Smith; 4, Louis Schoof. Nos. 3 and 4 tied for 3rd place.

Event No. 17—Shoe race, Boys 12 and under—1, Wayne King; 2, Bennie Muirheid; 3, Arzinol Masters.





—Photos by Marie Eagleton.

## WINNERS NEW YORK PICNIC

(See Opposite.)

1. Winners of Balloon Race, Raymond Scharning, C. J. G. Haas, Chas. Gilbert.
2. Baseball teams.
3. Winners of 3-Legged Race, Charlie Gilbert and Jean Sanson.
4. Start of Snow Shoe Race.
5. Left to right: Raymond Scharning, Mrs. Bradley, Dorothy Way, Mazie McMahon, Grace Dirscherl.
6. Buddy Munk's 'Stance at the bat.
7. M. R. Rosse's Caddies.
8. Top Row—Raymond Scharning and Geo. Knipe. 2nd Row—Dorothy Way and Mazie McMahon. 3rd Row—Ed. Castka and Bob Castka. Lower Row—Charlie Gilbert.
- 9.—Miss McMahon at bat or something.
10. Top Row—H. A. Probst, A. A. Rice. 2nd Row—Raymond Scharning, Buddy Munk. 3rd Row—Jean Sanson, M. R. Rosse, Mazie McMahon, Chas. Williams, Chas. Gilbert, Walter Teeter.
11. O. C. Schooley, A. A. Rice and Grace Dirscherl.

## KEEPING UP YOUR HEALTH

Men, who have families, usually provide for them. If the wife or children need care, the man will make any sacrifice for them, but when his own health is involved he may be quite careless. He thinks that he cannot afford to have dental work done or glasses fitted. Yet he is the one on whose physical efficiency the family income depends.

**REPORT ANY INJURY HOWEVER SLIGHT, TO YOUR FOREMAN. HE WILL ARRANGE FOR FIRST AID.** This is the first safety rule in our organization, yet we still have some men, several of them with long service records, who do not keep this rule when injured.

One man, who had a sore knee, reported on September 17 to the first aid man. He claimed that the accident happened last June but he did not report it then.

A brass foundry man burned his foot but did not report until five days afterwards. An infection developed and he was laid up for a week.

One man's toe was injured by a falling wrench. He reported next day by telephone that he would not be at work. We then learned of the accident and sent the doctor out to his house, but a serious infection had already started.

In this case the wrench that injured this man, was leaned against a post instead of being put in the proper place. The vibration of a nearby machine caused it to fall and it struck him on the foot.

As fall comes on we earnestly suggest that you avoid unnecessary exposure to the weather. Wear rubbers when it is wet under foot. Take care of yourself at the very beginning of a cold. In this way much sickness can be prevented.

We observed recently a man, who had formerly been under care for tuberculosis running around in the chill rain in his shirt sleeves.

## NEW YORK PICNIC

The New York Branch held their Annual Picnic at Roton Point Park, beautifully located on Long Island Sound, on the Connecticut Shore.

Everyone attending met at the branch office in The Bronx early Saturday morning and made the trip to the park in a comfortable bus furnished by the Kohler Transportation Co., and as was usual in the past, the trip to the park in the bus was very enjoyable. The day was very clear and made to order for a picnic.

Arriving at the park, the committee's pre-arranged program was carried out per schedule.

First was a hotly contested ball game, teams being chosen by the captains, George Knipe and Ed. Castka. Geo. Knipe's Office Team won by a slender margin, notwithstanding that Mr. Rice and Mr. Haas were umpires. Mr. Rosse, at third base had the assistance of three "Caddies" who chased the ball for him.

After the game, there was an hour of relaxation with time for a light lunch after which all gathered at the beach. The day was ideal for swimming with the tide coming in. This was one of the big features of the picnic. Everyone was in good form, as anyone could see by the swimming and by the calisthenics on the beach.

Races, contests and games were held on the athletic field, including such popular stunts as the Three Legged Race, Balloon Race, and a Snow Shoe Race. Jean Sanson and Charlie Gilbert won the Three Legged Race. Charlie Gilbert came in first; Mr. Haas, second, and Raymond Scharning, third in the Balloon Race. The Snow Shoe Race, which was run in teams headed by Mr. Haas and Mr. Rice, was won by Mr. Haas's team. Mr. Rice's team blamed their failure to win on the fact that they had a broken umbrella and too many high heeled shoes.

Dinner was served on the veranda of the pavilion at 6:30 sharp with everyone on hand and in a mood to do justice to the beef steak and chicken.

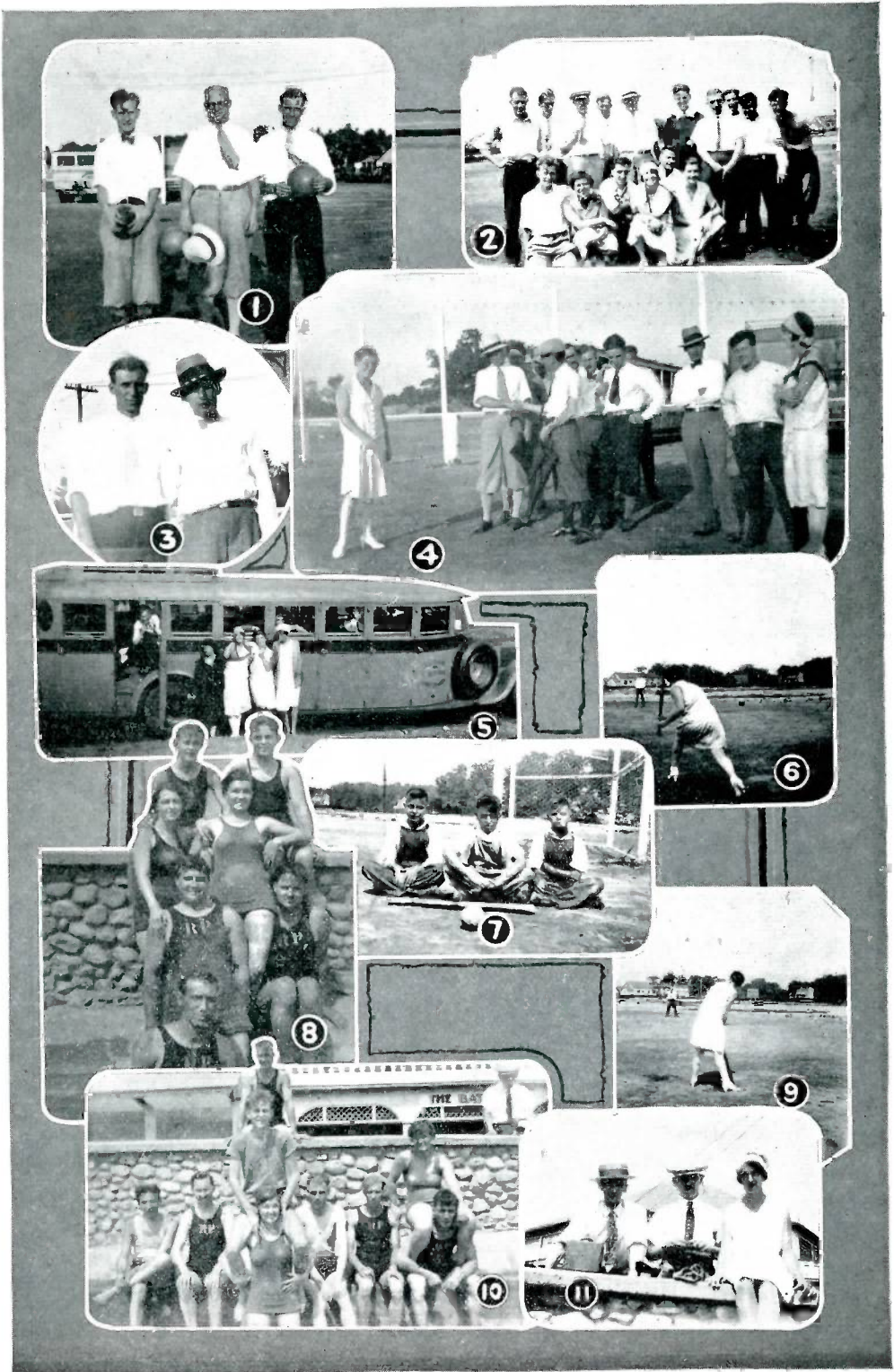
Later in the evening, there was dancing at the pavilion which capped off a wonderful day at the park. The return trip was made in the same bus accompanied by much singing and entertainment.

## Babies and Savings Accounts

Since the last Picnic, 72 babies have been born into families of men now working here. At the Picnic all of these received a new one-dollar bill with which to start a savings account.

The Company began this custom in 1922. In the last count there were 80 children who were continuing their savings accounts. The total amounts to \$1,573.33, or an average of \$19.67 each.





## FOUR GENERATIONS



—Photo by Mrs. C. N. Wagenseller.

Allen Travis was the only employe on the ground, so far as we know, with four generations. They are shown here. Reading from left to right: Mrs. George Hartwig, Allan Travis, Mrs. Virgie Sefton and son, Richard Eugene. The handsome twins, Donald and Derrell Hartwig are grandsons of Mr. Travis.

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tal stage, but, it is thought by those who know, that the experiment will be successful.

Dorothy Stratman began working in the Production office September 24th. She is on the books so long presided over by Tessie Brinkley Devine. Dorothy is a sister of Martin Stratman and brings the total of Dorothy's in the Production office up to three. They're going to start giving 'em numbers pretty soon.

Helen White entertained a few of the girls at a wiener roast September 24th in honor of Tessie Devine.

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INSPECTION DEPT.

H. E. Slater took a motor trip during his vacation the second week in September. He and Mr. Slater were in St. Louis, LaFayette, Indiana, and Indianapolis.

T. V. Stanger left us September 20th to take another job.

Martin Stratman was vacationing the week of September 23rd. He and his wife and Martin, Junior, visited in Havana and other points on the Illinois river.

## SECOND FLOOR CHANGES

Traffic Department Moves Down Stairs—  
New Conference Room

Some remodeling has been done on the second floor of the office building, and enough space taken from the paymaster's office to make a private conference room. This has been equipped with mahogany table and chairs and a gray rug.

The traffic department has been moved back downstairs to its old location in the southwest corner of the shipping room. The space occupied by the traffic department on the second floor has been added to L. W. Mueller's office. The partition was removed and the two offices converted into one large office. Here will be found L. W. Mueller, W. T. Auer, E. M. Reedy, C. F. Roarick, Lois Christy and Ida Mae Moore.

L. W. Mueller is the owner of a new Packard Coupe.

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VISIT NIAGARA FALLS

Burt Jackson, with Mrs. Jackson and Opal, set out August 17th to see as much of the country as possible during the following week. After filling up the Ford with gas, they headed her toward the East and struck out. The first stop was in Indianapolis, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lincoln for two days. After that, they stopped off in Muncie, Indiana, and visited relatives in Lima, Ohio. From there they drove toward the lake. The drive along Lake Erie between Sandusky and Cleveland was especially beautiful. From Cleveland they drove to Buffalo. They visited Niagara Falls, leaving Buffalo by the magnificent new Peace Bridge.

The party visited with friends in Cleveland on the return trip and got back to Decatur on the 24th.

## THE BASEBALL GAME



—Photo by Seitz.

The baseball game between the Shippers and the Majors was a big attraction during the afternoon. A large crowd watched the contest from start to finish. It was a hotly contested game and gave the fans a lot of thrills. The Shippers won 9 to 8 with Yonkers Smith and Murphy doing the battery work. Battery for the Majors, Allison and Tonner. The purse of \$50.00 went to the winners.



## THE CAMERA CLUB



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The subject for the Camera Club for September was "Lake Scenes." Prizes were awarded to the following:

- First—Opal Jackson.
- Second—Eloise Dickson.
- Third—Helen Pope.

The subject for October will be "Miscellaneous." Pictures must be submitted to Marie Eagleton not later than Oct. 10th.

### DEATHS

#### Sarah A. Baldrige

Mrs. Sarah A. Baldrige, mother of Joe Baldrige, of the Drafting Room, died at 6 o'clock, Saturday morning, Sept. 21st, in St. Mary's hospital. She suffered a stroke of apoplexy a short while ago and never recovered.

Mrs. Baldrige was born in Sparta, Nov. 11, 1850, and has been a resident of Decatur since 1895. She was an active member of the Westminster Presbyterian church, the Woman's Relief Corps, and a past president of the latter organization. She was also a member of the Hospital Aid Society.

Funeral was held at 2 o'clock, Monday afternoon in the Monson chapel. Burial was in Fairlawn.

#### An Okaw Party

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jacka, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Dresback and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Christy spent the weekend at the Okaw, Sept. 28th and 29th.

#### Back to Regular Hours

Daylight saving was discontinued Oct. 1st, and the factory is now working from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m. with lunch hour from 12:00 to 1:00. The office begins work at 7:30 a. m. Plant 3 is taking only thirty minutes for lunch and quitting at 4:30. Night force works from 6 p. m. to 3:45 a. m. with forty-five minutes for lunch from 10:30 to 11:15.

### GIRLS HAVE OUTING

#### Second Attempt at the Okaw Results in Pleasant Holiday

The C. G. A. Club made a second attempt to have an outing at the Okaw, and this time were more successful. High water prevented the first trip, but weather conditions were more favorable the second time. The party was planned on short notice and a number of the members had other plans, but nine girls went. They were Lucille Smith, Grace Rhodes, Lois Christy, Lucille Northland, Ida Mac Moore, Clara Uhl, Margaret Marcott, Irene Santzmen and Marie Eagleton. Pat Smith, Earl Eagleton and Maarlin Meador drove the cars. The trip down was made Saturday afternoon, Aug. 31st, and return trip was made Sunday, Sept. 1st.

#### Qualifying

Paul Andrews is qualifying for The Old Men's Home. He has taken up golf.

### THE WINNING TEAM

Here is a quartet of picknickers who are regular in attendance and generally arrange to have a good time. They are Golleib Fieke, W. T. McClure, Peter Weber and August Kusch.



—Photo by E. H. Langdon.

## PAUL KASTNER



An interesting visitor was Paul E. Kastner, of Oklahoma City, who went through the plant August 16, accompanied by B. J. Marty. Mr. Kastner is engineer in the New Chickasha Hotel at Chickasha, Oklahoma. When he has an occasion to do so, he specifies Mueller Goods.

Paul Kastner left the service of the Mueller Co., after 22 years of service. Most of that time he was foreman of the Lead Dept.

He told of going hunting and fishing with Philip Mueller and his sons and remarked: "I feel that I had a hand in raising Philip's boys."



## THE DISPLAY

The soap carvings of Leonard Woods exhibited at the picnic attracted much attention. Mr. Woods uses Ivory soap and his work is very delicately done.

Professor Raab, of the Decatur Art Institute, said of his work, "It is remarkably accurate and finished." He is considering work in plaster.



The first prize Sink Combination was drawn by H. R. Miller, clock number 11002. The second prize, Tub Shower Faucet, was drawn by H. Whittington, clock number 9025.

The entries in the Hobby division are as follows:

Soap Carvings by Leonard Wood of Dept. 18.

Clay Modeling, 2 entries, by Willar Foltz.

Free Hand Crayon Drawings by Edith Bauer.

Oil Paintings, 2 entries, by Ray Kileen of the Experimental Dept.

Oil Painting and Hand Painted Vases by C. L. Gillibrand of Dept. 44.

## A NEAR GUESS

While Mr. Robert was in Europe, he remembered a lot of his friends around the factory by sending them postcards and brief letters. Among those thus pleasantly remembered was Jack DeFratus, the watchman at the Monroe street gate.

This letter was written on a paper napkin picked up in a Vienna restaurant where Mr. Robert was dining. Paper napkins were never intended for social correspondence, and especially when written on with a hard lead pencil, and when Jack opened up the message he entirely overlooked Mr. Robert's brief note but his eyes were fascinated by a picture in one corner of the napkin which showed two bottles of liquor and two glasses sitting on a table.

It was not until after Jack had studied these carefully that he discovered the almost invisible note.

"Damned if I didn't take it for a Dago advertisement trying to sell me liquor," was Jack's comment.



## High Scoring Baby

William Bradford Brusco, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brusco, had the high score at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield last September. The boy was entered in the class from 12 to 24 months and lacked just one point of being perfect. His score was 99, the highest of any baby entered. He had not been immuned against smallpox and diphtheria and this was the reason why he lost out although being the most perfect specimen shown. Mr. Brusco, the father of this baby, is a draftsman in the Engineering department.

