

Mueller Man Completes 50 Years of Service



Beneath the picture of Hieronymus Mueller, A. G. Webber, Jr., Mueller President, presents a check for \$1,000 to Lester J. Skelley in recognition of 50 years of service to the company.

Lester Skelley Joined Company Pattern Shop on March 26, 1907

March 26 has been a good day for Lester J. Skelley, a long-time inhabitant of our pattern shop. It was on that day, in 1907, that he joined Mueller Co. as an apprentice Pattern Maker in the pattern shop. It was on March 26, 1957, that Les received a grand total of \$1,080.00 . . . a check from A. G. Webber, Jr., President of Mueller Co., for one thousand dollars, and a check from O. E. Walker, Vice-President and Works Manager, for eighty dollars. These awards were in recognition of the completion of fifty years of service to Mueller Co.

Dandy: The Cat Who Won't Grow Up

Experts agree that dogs are fairly easy to train; but, at the same time, they agree that much patience is needed to train a cat. A look at the accompanying picture reveals that Mrs. Charles Burgener of Rural Route 4 has a great deal of patience.

Mrs. Burgener is the wife of Charlie Burgener, Plant Messenger in Decatur. Charlie told us about this cat named "Dandy," and with some skepticism we headed for the Burgener home to see this wonder.

Dandy the feline is slightly over two years old, and weighs in the neighborhood of thirteen pounds. He came to a neighbor's house when still a kitten, and he followed Charlie home one day.

We talked at some length with Les after he had his picture taken by local newsmen, hoping to ferret out some interesting anecdotes about his Mueller career. When asked if anything big was happening in the city of Decatur when he joined the Company, he quipped: "The only big noise in Decatur that I can remember was the noise they made when I went to work for Mueller Co.!"

Les remembers that 1907 was the year of the big Mueller picnic at Mechanicsburg in celebration of the Company's fiftieth anniversary . . . quite a gala affair, and well-attended. He remembers also the day three men had their fingers cut off. It seems the first man lost his finger, whereupon the second decided to show how the finger was lost. In the process of demonstrating this world-shaking event, he, too, lost a finger. Along came a third man, who had been informed of the mishaps. After carefully sizing-up the situation, he attempted to show several men how it had happened. He became casualty number 3!

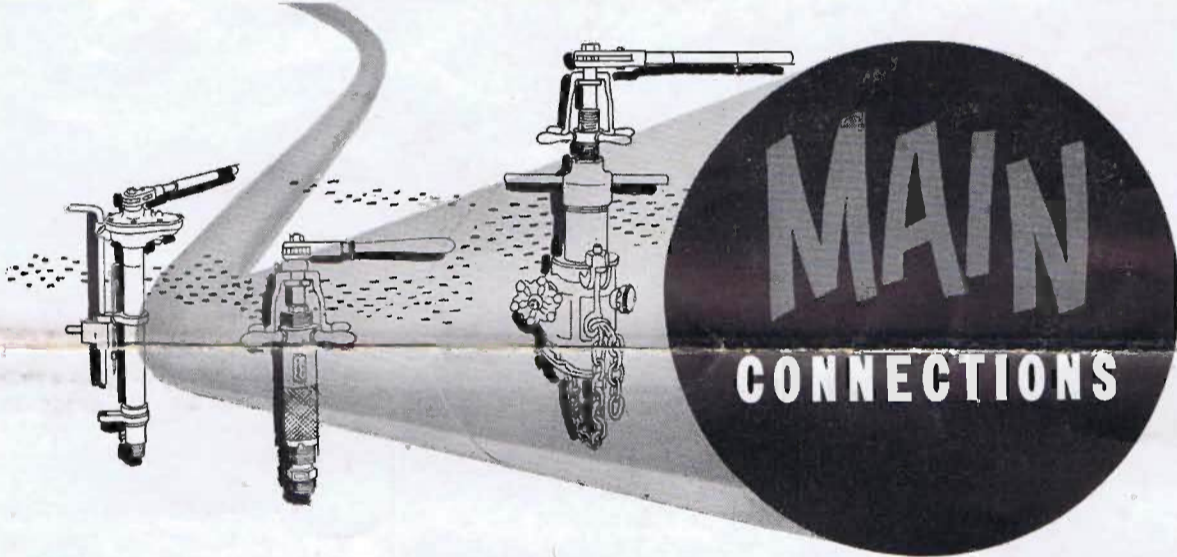
Les Skelley was born in Decatur, and came to work at Mueller Co. at the age of 16. He and his wife Emma live at 952 W. Grand, and his two daughters, Loretta and Mary, also live in Decatur.



Mrs. Burgener noticed that the kitten was crippled, and decided to keep it.

Dandy has "been on the bottle" for a little over a year now, but his tastes extend beyond that. He sits up at the table every morning and begs for small pieces of bacon. When this early-morning hunger is satisfied, he slinks away to nap until "bottle time."

The Burgeners pointed out the bell around Dandy's neck. They say he just loves birds as between-meals snacks, so the bell is there to warn of his approach. How frustrating!



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Dan Gannon Named Field Sales Manager



Mr. Dan R. Gannon has been appointed Field Sales Manager of Mueller Co., with headquarters in Decatur, it was announced recently by W. H. Hipsher, Executive Vice-President of the Company. The appointment brings Mr. Gannon from Arcadia, California, where he has been Western Sales Manager since 1955.

Mr. Gannon is married and has one child, a son. His new duties will be of the same general nature as those associated with his former position, except that they cover the entire country rather than the Western Section only.



A surprise party marked the birthday of E. George Baker, Assistant Sales Manager, Western Section, in Los Angeles on February 20.

Employees Form Golf League; First Games Set for May 27

The formation of an employee-supported golf league has been announced, and the rules posted. The schedules calls for the first games to be played on May 27. Barring weather problems the schedule will be completed July 15.

All games will be played at Scovill Park on Mondays. The league will consist of eight teams, with a maximum membership of eight men per team. Each member is expected to contribute twenty-five cents per week to the prize fund. Officers of the golf league are:

President — O. Fortschneider; Vice - President — B. Sprague; Secretary - Treasurer — P. Parsons; and Tournament Chairman — M. Foster.

The eight teams are: No. 1—Tool Engineers; No. 2—Engineers; No. 3—Standards; No. 4—Specialists; No. 5—Main Office No. 1; No. 6—Main Office No. 2; No. 7—Pattern Shop; No. 8—Plant No. 4.

Team captains, in the above order, are: R. Duncan; L. Edwards; R. Taylor; P. Ruthrauff; B. Sprague; A. Werdes; O. Fortschneider; and M. Foster.

Seevers Receives 40-Year Award

Harry V. Seevers, who joined Mueller Co. in 1917, received his forty-year service award on April 5, 1957. Mr. Seevers started with the company as a sales representative covering the state of Kansas, and is still traveling in that territory.

His forty years with Mueller Co. were broken only by five months in the infantry during the First World War. Mr. Seevers has remained in the Kansas territory throughout his long years of service to Mueller Co.

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Around the Plant ... In DECATUR

Best wishes to Linda Jones on her marriage to Tom Strahle on April 20. Linda, who formerly lived at 38 South Side Country Club, has been a Jr. steno at Plant 1. Tom, a former Millikin student, is now a junior at Purdue University. Vows were exchanged in Central Christian Church, and the newly-weds are residing temporarily in Logansport, Indiana.

More wedding bells! This time, Millicent "Millie" Monson, is the gal with very noticeable stars in her eyes. Millie will wed Bill Bohon, a senior at Millikin University, at 2 p.m. on June 1 in Central Christian Church. Millie, who lives presently at 1304 E. Lawrence, is a steno in the sales division at Plant 1. After their marriage, the couple will reside in Decatur.

Barbara Diehl, a steno in the Standards Department of Plant 1, honored her boss, Charlie Moore, recently. Barbara is a member of the National Secretary's Association, and she took Mr. Moore to the dinner commemorating the annual Bosses Nite at the Decatur Club. (P.S.—At last report, her salary was still the same as it was before the dinner!)

Walt Dyer, former editor of Main Connections who joined the American Gas Association in New York, writes that he has trouble finding his way around in "the big city," and wishes everyone at Plant 1 the best of everything.

Best wishes are in order for another new bride. Joyce Tanner, a Jr. steno in Plant 1, became the bride of Jack E. Keller at the Grace Methodist Church on March 8. The groom, formerly with Trotter Electric Co., is now serving with the U.S. Army overseas.

Nola Scales, affable steno in the Personnel Department, played quite a joke on her husband on April Fools Day. Seems she had been planning something for a long time. Then she forgot all about it until she was packing his lunch on April 1. With a gleam in her eye, she proceeded to fix him a cardboard sandwich and a hard-boiled egg which wasn't hard-boiled at all! Being naturally suspicious on such a day, Mr. Scales shook the egg carefully, and spotted the cardboard through the wax paper. Curses . . . foiled again!

Oh yes . . . Mr. and Mrs. Scales have just welcomed a new addition to the family . . . a 14-foot boat to use on Lake Decatur. At last report, no name had yet been chosen.

Nurse Ann Wubben of Plant 1 has moved into her new home. Address is No. 5 Fair Oaks Drive.

One proud father is Julius Staudt of our Traffic Department whose son, Fred, sparked the Maroa basketball team to its many victories this past season. Congratulations, Mr. Staudt!

R. H. Tauber, method engineer, and George R. Lebo, time study engineer for Mueller Co.'s Decatur plant, were awarded diplomas by General Electric's Metallurgical Products Department last month in Detroit. The awards were for successfully completing an intensified, week-long course on the practical use

of the Carboloy machinability computer.

The instrument, a portable analog computer that can be easily operated near the machines of a plant's production line, solves in a matter of minutes problems in metal cutting that would normally take hours of engineering computation.

Polio Season Almost Here

We are fast approaching the polio season . . . that time of the year when the crippling disease strikes young and old. Dr. Jonas Salk and his fine staff worked untold hours to develop a successful vaccine, yet a pitifully-small number of people have taken the few minutes necessary to be vaccinated.

Latest figures from the American Medical Association show that at least 80 percent of our total population must be vaccinated if the disease is to be controlled. Yet, simultaneous statistics indicate that less than 40 percent of that segment of the population which is most susceptible (age 40 and under) has had polio vaccine.

You hear many laugh off warnings, saying that polio is a disease of children. The fact stands before us, however: **MORE CASES OF POLIO OCCURRED IN ADULTS IN 1956!**

So, don't take chances. If crippling polio strikes you or members of your family, it is too late for regret. Obtain your vaccine soon by calling your family physician.

Woman driver to friend: "Will you look how close that maniac is driving ahead of me!"

Wife's Opinion: The average man is 42 around the waist, 42 around the chest, 96 around the golf course — and a nuisance around the house.

Jim: "You once told me there was something about me that you loved."

Sue: "There was, but we've spent it all!"

DIS— Connections

Personnel Director: "Have you any reference?"

Applicant: "Sure, here's a letter: 'To whom it may concern—John Jones worked for us one week and we're satisfied!'"

Diner (beckoning to waiter): "Is it raining outside?"

Waiter: "Sorry, sir, but this is not my table."

The bullfrog was making a speech at the National Association of Bullfrogs convention. Suddenly, his voice cracked. "Excuse me, gentlemen," he croaked, "I must have a man in my throat."

Joe was having trouble getting up in the morning, so his doctor prescribed some pills. Joe took them, slept well, and was awake before he heard the alarm. He took his time getting to the office, strolled in and said to the boss: "I didn't have a bit of trouble getting up this morning!"

"That's fine," said the boss, "but where were you yesterday?"

Walter Dyer Joins A.G.A.



Walter H. Dyer

Walter H. Dyer has resigned as editor of the MUELLER RECORD and MAIN CONNECTIONS to accept a position with the American Gas Association in New York City. Dyer's new job will be editor of the A. G. A. MONTHLY, recognized as one of the nation's top trade journals. He assumed his new duties on March 25.

Jim M. Milligan has been hired as assistant editor. Milligan graduated from Millikin University in June, 1956, and has been employed as Director of Continuity at radio station WDW in Decatur.



Frank H. Mueller, Vice President and Director of Engineering beams as he receives a gift certificate from O. E. Walker, Vice President and Works Manager, and a 30-year pin from President A. G. Webber, Jr.

Around the Plant ... In CHATTANOOGA

By Gene Racz

If anyone is interested in securing the secret of how to crowd thirty-six hours of activity into twenty-four, see C. B. (Jack) Barker, who truly must have the formula. Jack, who is Personnel Director and Purchasing Agent, also appeared in the prisoner's chorus of "Fidelo," which was presented by the Chattanooga Opera Association on December 4th and 6th as the opener of its 1956-57

season. He also was a participant in the presentation of "Cavalleria Rusticana." Jack's wife, Mary, is also active in the Chattanooga Opera Company Chorus but has had to limit her time this season as she is attending the University of Chattanooga where she will receive her degree of Bachelor of Science in Education this June. She was one of twelve students in the university who had an average of "A" for the fall semester. The Barkers are both fervent members of the Central Church of Christ, where they teach classes and sponsor Young People's Work. They have just purchased a home on Hillcrest Avenue and are the only people I know who could have guests the same night they changed their residence and still be completely composed.

Another busy person is Ronald Rogers, who is Order Interpreter and Dispatcher in the Sales Department. Ronald has just completed the erection of a greenhouse in his backyard. He is raising some beautiful camellias, geraniums and a number of other flowers. He is an ardent camera enthusiast and always willing to give helpful tips to new converts to photography.

Congratulation to Gary Moss, son of Jack Moss, Assembly Dept. Foreman, who has been elected President of the Signal Mountain Junior Garden Club. Gary is a handsome lad of ten years and we shall be looking forward to hearing more about all of his activities.

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to the family of Walter Paris in his recent death. Walter had just retired due to ill health when he passed away. He had been employed in the Core Room since 1936.

Miss Iris Estelle Werndli, purchasing department clerk, became the bride of Clyde Lamar Gordy on Saturday, February 9th in the Shanin Room of the First Baptist Church at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. Clarence H. Petty, of Cleveland, officiated at the ceremony.

The week-end of March 2nd saw James Potter, "Chuck" Coventry, Joe Wall and Coy Jones on a journey to Memphis, Tenn. to attend the Southern Bowling Tournament. James rolled a sizzling 274 game and out-paced all the entries in the tournament for the two days. He held the lead in singles until the last week of the meet when he was beaten by a score of 279. Jim laments he already had planned what he was going to spend the \$100 for. We all kept our fingers crossed for you and we are proud of you just the same.

We are indeed happy to receive the news that Karen Van Fleet had recuperated so nicely after undergoing brain surgery at Walter Reed Hospital. Her father Merle is a former employee and we are glad to see that her grandfather, Homer

Van Fleet, is now able to smile again.

Congratulations to the following who have brand new additions, and we don't mean cars: Harry Hampton, Brass Fdry., Phil and Phillette; Claude Waters, Machine Shop, James D.; Ed Bryant, Iron Fdry., Vicki Lynn; Roy Ellis, Core Room, Ernest Steve; Elmer Coffman, Core Room, Laura Diane; Glenn Cribbs, Assembly, Phillip Clyde; James Owens, Assembly, Amy Ruth; Sammy Hutson, Machine Shop, Samuel David; William Holloway, Tool Room, Glenn; Leroy Ford, Brass Fdry., Gregory; George Davis, Brass Fdry., Betty Jean; Joe H. Bonner, Brass Fdry., Carol Ann; Charles Edwards, Tool Room, Andrea Elaine.

Our sympathy is extended to Gladys Weaver of the Purchasing Dept. in the recent loss of her father-in-law.

William Merritt, paymaster, and wife Virginia spent the week of March 25th in St. Petersburg, Florida, enjoying the sunshine and spring practice for the Yankees. We haven't been able to get any real dope on the team yet but as soon as Bill gets the work caught up, we hope to get some inside information on what to expect in the American League this season.

Luther O'Neal of the maintenance department has resigned to make his home in Los Angeles where he is going to enter the interior decorating business with his brother. Luke has been replaced in the vital capacity of shift lead man by Charlie Bible. Best of luck, Charlie, we know by your past record that we can depend on you doing a good job.

"Best wishes" to George Autry of the Iron Foundry. He and Lelia Moss were married on December 23rd.

Norma Holloway is still confined to T. C. Thompson Children's Hospital where she is gaining strength slowly. Norma was severely burned at their home in Whitwell on January 19th. She will probably be confined for a number of months yet as she still has to have more skin grafts done. Norma has had to fight a terrific battle to keep her life, and for those of us who know her father, Jesse, employed in the core room, it is not all a surprise to see what a game little soldier she is. Here's wishing her a speedy recovery.

Best wishes to Gennie Conner of the Assembly Dept. who was recently married to Lois Spencer in Ringgold, Georgia.

The shipping department has received a safety award for 1,050 days and 250,000 man hours without a lost time accident. C. E. Coons of Nashville, district engineering manager of the American Mutual Liability In-

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General Superintendent Archie Sefton, left, presents 30-year pin and gift certificate to Frank Walker, while Foreman Edgar Hartwig looks on. At center, O. E. Walker, Vice President and Works Manager, hands Laverne Walley his 30-year pin and cer-

tificate. Mr. Hartwig and Mr. Sefton observe the proceedings. At right, receiving his pin and certificate for 25 years of service to Mueller Co. is Frank Shade. Mr. Sefton makes the presentation, while Mr. Hartwig watches.

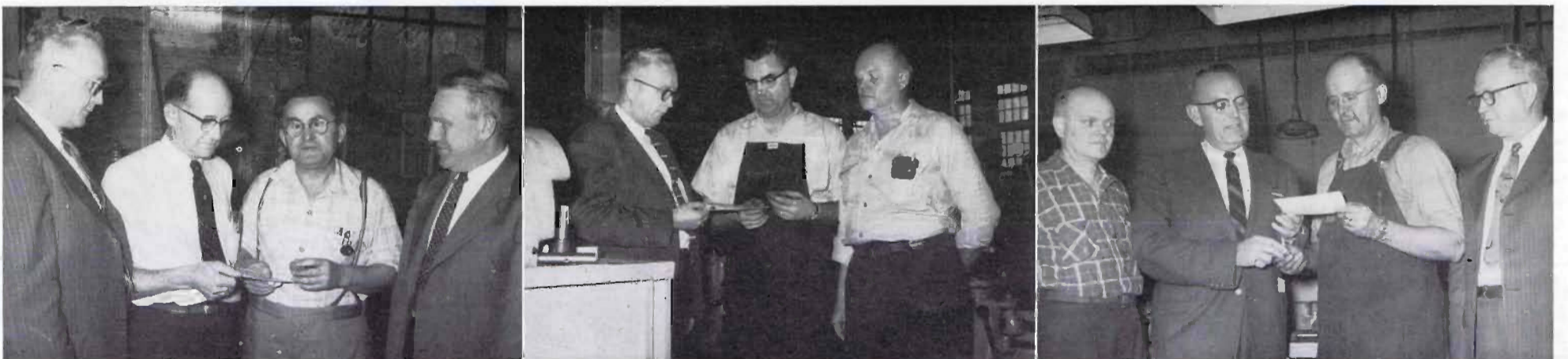


Top left: Leo Wiant, Administrative Vice President, confers a check on Albert Golembeck, who retired after 48 years with the company. Top right: The gang gathers around Arthur Bauer to wish him well in his retirement after 30 years service. Bottom left: Mr. Walker presents certificate and 35-year pin to Milo Wright, while Mr. Sefton looks on. Bottom right: Mr. Walker and Mr. Sefton chat with Carl H. Hill, Tool Room Foreman, after presentation of 30-year pin and gift certificate.

Pins and Certificates Mark Years Of Service



Harry Meyers retired in April after 32 years of continuous service to Mueller Co. in the Shipping Room. He has left us to enter business with his brother-in-law in Mulberry Grove, Illinois.



Ground Key Foreman Howard Gragg presents 35-year pin and certificate to L. B. McKinney, as Mr. Sefton and Mr. Wiant watch. At center, Mr. Sefton confers 25-year pin and certificate on Marvin Ford, while Mr. Hartwig observes. At right, receiving

his 30-year pin and certificate is Gerald R. St. Pierre. Mr. Walker makes the presentation, flanked by Mr. Hartwig and Mr. Sefton.



Helen O'dell receives her 25-year pin and gift certificate from Mr. Sefton. Jack Bain, Core Room Foreman, looks on. At center, Cal McQuality, Fire Chief and Plant Protection Officer, hands a gift to Harry Chase on the occasion of the latter's retire-

ment after 14 years with the company. Wilbur Wendling is at right. At right: Plant Controller A. C. Werdes presents Wera Colglasier with her 30-year pin and certificate, while Harry Martin, Company Secretary, looks on.

Service Awards Announced

Pins and cash awards, presented at Chattanooga from January 1 to May 1 include the following:

5 Years: William H. Holloway, Robert Newby.

10 Years: Lincoln Chapman, John T. Harp, Clarence E. Henson, Junior A. Hicks, Robert F. Jones, James F. Kellett.

15 Years: Melvin Connor, Otto Glass, Jr., Sidney Porter, Jr., John L. Rice, Willard F. Riddle, Clifford Thornton.

20 Years: Lawrence Neal, Lois D. Trotter, Gladys J. Weaver.

Pins and cash awards, presented at Los Angeles in January, March and April, include the following:

5 Years: William Fletcher, Roy Estep, Fred Discher, Pedro Medina, James Hambleton.

10 Years: Glenn Huff.

20 Years: Bruce Stotler, Emmett Long, John Royer.

Pins and cash awards, presented at Decatur from January 1 to May 1 include the following:

5 Years: Horace W. Cessna, Juanita Tomlinson, Jerald W. Watson, Guy Shumard, Betty Johnson, Clyde D. Hall.

10 Years: William K. Leake, Randall Rawlings, Wilbur Shasteen, Charles Everett, James Fristoe, Owen Meador, Daniel Ryan, Joseph M. Parkison, Harold Friend, Paul M. Staub, Charles Taylor, Carl Wilhelm, Jesse White, Carl M. Stone, John Gubola, Wilbur Sternes, Ray Littrell.

15 Years: Harold Rentfro, Thomas Adams, Jr., Carl O. Smith, Albert Griffith, James Morrison, John Holbert.

20 Years: Glenn Curry, Lorin E. Grosboll, Earl W. Peterson, Merle Feckenstein, Rupert S. Henry, Fedora Tish.

25 Years: Helen O'Dell, Marvin Ford, Frank Shade.

30 Years: Laverne Walley, Coy Butler, Leo Wiant, Frank Walker, Wera Colglasier, Gerald R. St. Pierre, Frank H. Mueller.

35 Years: L.B. McKinney, Milo Wright.

40 Years: Harry SeEVERS.

50 Years: Lester J. Skelley.

Around the Plant . . . In LOS ANGELES

BY B. E. STOTLER

Our Mr. Earl E. Bright, Plant Manager, has finally moved into his new home in Whittier, California. His tales of woe as to the many problems which arose during the process of completion of his home have been forgotten by now. On week-ends, his efforts have turned to pulling weeds, cutting the lawn, and other minor chores. The trials and tribulations of the new home-owner are great, but the rewards and satisfactions of good living are even greater.

In checking the years of service of our Los Angeles employees, we came up with these interesting statistics:

2 percent have been with us more than 25 years.

13 percent have been with us more than 20 years.

10 percent have been with us more than 15 years.

20 percent have been with us more than 10 years.

19 percent have been with us more than 5 years.

28 percent have been with us more than one year.

Only 8 percent have been with us less than one year.

Three more of our men are either in the process of building their new homes, or have already moved into them. Our Brass Machine Shop Foreman, Mr. Lacy Mayfield, is in the preliminary stage, despite being informed of the woes of Mr. Bright, which goes to show that the pioneer spirit is still alive in the land.

Armando Alvarez, who works in our Steel Machine Shop, is moving into a new home in Puente.

Mr. Victor Amanzo, who works in our foundry, just bought a new home in Whittier, California.

Mr. Leonard Johnson, our Steel Machine Shop Foreman, recently completed tri-plexes on the back of his lot. He was able to rent them immediately, but then the trouble started. The first week, the renters were without gas, and they were without lights for three weeks. Mr. Johnson strung extension cords from his house to the tri-plexes. He must have some fine tenants,

for they took the inconvenience in good spirits, and remained with him.

Louis Baber, son of Mrs. Myrtle Baber of our Assembly Department, was selected as one of the two top honor students from the Los Angeles area at Fresno State College. His major is criminology, and he will be graduated in June. Congratulations, proud Mom!

William Stack, son of Valentine Stack, our Core Room Supervisor, recently had his picture in the paper. He is a fireman, and the picture showed him carrying a woman from a burning apartment building. William worked for us some years back.

Mr. Lyle Huff and Mr. Carl Dodwell visited our Los Angeles plant recently. We hope they enjoyed their stay.

Do You Know . . .

—That some men pay a maximum of 91 percent on their income tax?

—That a married man with two children who earns \$10,000 a year must pay \$1,372 in taxes, provided all his other deductions are average?

—That a man who meets the above qualifications, and who makes \$100,000 a year, must pay \$51,192?

—That the surtax liability on a \$16,000 income is 50 times greater than of a \$4,000 income?

Of course, we don't have to be concerned about figures like these for another year now. If, however, you spent quite a sum of money on aspirin for many sleepless nights spent over tax forms, the government is quite decent about the whole thing . . . you can deduct the aspirin from next year's returns!

1956 ANNUAL REPORT MUELLER CO. EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION Decatur, Illinois BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1956

	Assets	Liabilities
Loans to Members	\$ 697,904.71	
Government Securities	174,033.75	
Equipment	2,611.79	
S. & L. Investments	50,000.00	
Loans to C. W.'s	45,000.00	
Prepaid Bond Premium	1,178.33	
Accounts Receivable	20,844.09	
Cash	46,247.35	
Shares		\$ 967,590.25
Guaranty Fund		42,439.79
Undivided Earnings		17,465.08
Other Reserves		10,324.90
TOTAL	\$1,037,820.02	\$1,037,820.02

PROFIT AND LOSS 1956

INCOME	
Interest Received on Loans	\$66,178.11
Interest on Investments	7,662.00
Accrued Interest	342.09
Other Income	30.15
TOTAL	\$74,212.35

DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	\$ 6,554.44
Share and Loan Insurance	7,955.06
Depreciation	388.27
Other Expense	6,128.11
To Guaranty Fund	10,637.29
Dividends on Shares	33,433.59
Patronage Dividend	6,408.58
Undivided Earnings	2,707.01
TOTAL	\$74,212.35

During the year of 1956 our Credit Union passed the \$1,000,000 mark in Assets which is quite an accomplishment with only 1068 members. This is only because of the high savings ability of Mueller employees, for the average shares balance per member is now \$905.98.

The Credit Committee approved 1507 loans during 1956 amounting to \$1,124,507.96. The average loan balance per borrower is now \$1,180.88.

The Supervisory Committee has audited the books every two months throughout the past year, and the books were also examined by the Auditor of Public Accounts in August.

A 4% dividend on shares has been declared as of Dec. 1, 1956, and a 10% patronage dividend on interest paid during 1956 has been declared and posted as of January 1, 1957.

The Board of Directors also authorized the application for coverage of share accounts by The Credit Union Share Guaranty Corp. This coverage guarantees each member's share account up to \$10,000.

AROUND THE PLANT . . . AT CHATTANOOGA (Continued from page 2)

Insurance Co. presented a plaque to O. E. Walker, Jr., company safety chairman. The plaque was in turn accepted by Roy Hollingsworth, foreman of the shipping department.

It is with deep regret that we record the sudden passing of Lige Daniel. Lige had been a member of the Assembly Dept, since March 25, 1942. He succumbed at Tri-County Hospital following an operation. His family has our deepest condolence.

We extend a "get well" wish to some of our "not feeling up to par ones": Claude Howell Maintenance, has been hospitalized with a stomach virus; Lucius Jones, Maintenance, has been confined for treatment for an infection of the nasal area; Preston Owens, Iron Foundry, who has a kidney infection; and Paul Mason, Iron Foundry, who has been confined due to a serious automobile accident that almost cost him his life.

Our kindest sympathy is extended to Charles N. Pursley, employed in the Pattern Shop, in the loss of his wife on April 4th.

Miss Gloria Ann Armstrong and Delbert Raymond Berry were married on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 7 o'clock in the evening at the home of the bride on Elizabeth street in Rossville, Georgia. A reception was held after the ceremony. Following the reception, the couple left for a wedding trip to New Orleans. Gloria is employed as a comptometer operator in the payroll dept.

Credit Union Delegates To Chicago Meeting

Harold Munsterman, treasurer of the Credit Union, Grace Glenn, clerk, and fourteen directors of the Credit Union journeyed to Chicago's Sherman Hotel on April 12 and 13 to attend the annual meeting of the Illinois Credit Unions.

The busy two-day convention consisted of seminar discussions covering all phases of Credit Union Activity, prominent speakers, a noon luncheon, and a huge banquet and floor show. The banquet was held on Saturday night . . . one of the biggest in the hotel's history.

During the year 1956, the Credit Union passed the one-million-dollar mark in assets, which is quite an accomplishment with only 1068 members. The average shares balance per member now stands at \$905.98. The Credit Committee approved 1507 loans during the year amounting to \$1,124,507.96.

A four percent dividend became effective on December 1 of last year, and a ten percent patronage dividend on interest paid during 1956 was declared and posted on January 1, 1957.

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE ?



Have some fun! Sit down and see how many safety violations you can spot. Then let your family try their luck. A master list of violations will be printed in the next issue of Main Connections. And remember: SAFETY IS THE ONE CONTAGIOUS DISEASE WE WANT YOU TO SPREAD!!!