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Mueller, Limited Has Golden Anniversary

Mueller Sits In Canada's Chemical Hub

Entering Sarnia, Ontario from the east on a warm, sunny Sunday afternoon, the first-time visitor finds a sedate, placid community.

The serenity of the surroundings leaves the visitor wondering if there really is this great industrial complex that has made Sarnia the center of the Chemical Valley.

Christina and Front streets are the usual patchwork of tired brick and sleek new tile, and the pedestrians look like any city businessmen, clerks or farmers in central Illinois or Tennessee.

As you travel south along Front Street, eyeing the natural beauty of the broad St. Clair River, you think this could be Dubuque, Iowa, with the Mississippi rolling along beside you. As you begin reminiscing, you abruptly find yourself in a hissing, humming science-fiction world of fat green butane spheres, slender towers in blue and crimson, chubby silver storage tanks, surrounded by a maze of shining pipes.

The sleepy Sunday afternoon surrounding is transformed into a bustling \$300 million industrial complex where calendars mean nothing to production schedules. The same crude oil smells, and flickering orange flares atop giant, spindling candles are apparent around the clock. For five winding, river-bordered miles you find three refineries, a synthetic rubber plant, two petrochemical companies and a manufacturer of anti-knock gasoline compounds.

Nestled amid the weird geometries of refinery equipment is a neat, conventional set of buildings which is Mueller, Limited. In 1912, long before any of the

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Sales Changes In Southwest

The appointment of a new salesman and the transfer of another in the Southwest Sales Section have been announced by Dan R. Gannon, Vice-President and General Sales Manager.

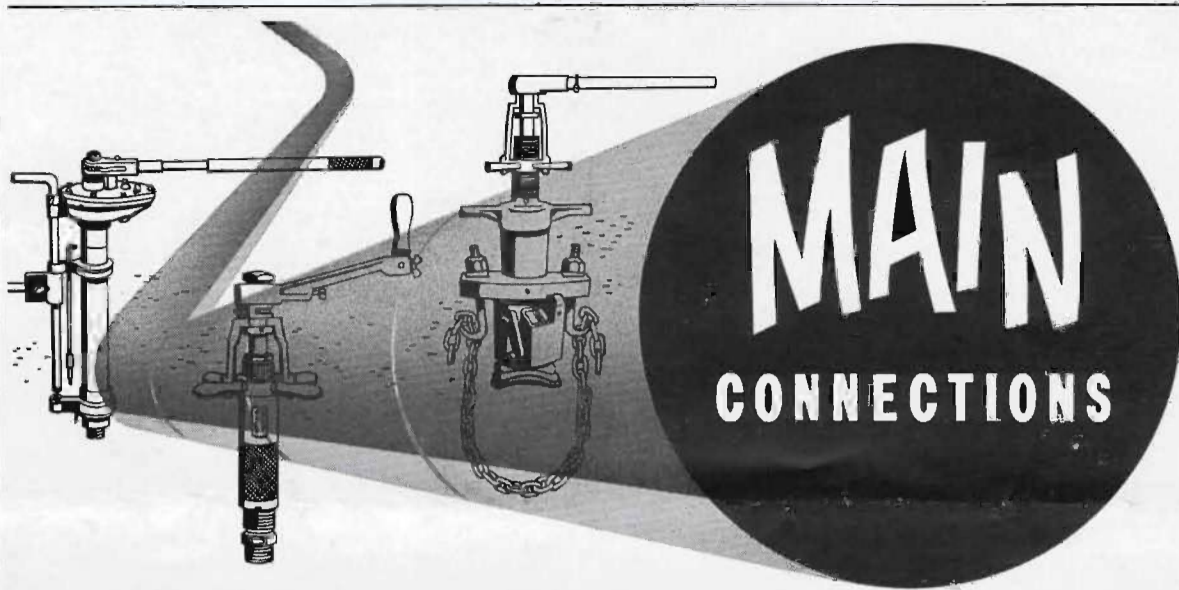
Forrest N. (Sonny) Baum has been named the Mueller Co. Sales Representative in West Texas and New Mexico. He succeeds Lou P. Mautz who is moving to Houston to cover that area.

The territory was that of Phil Tinsley who left Mueller to join a Mueller Co. distributor in the Houston area.

Mr. Baum, 28, joined Mueller Co. in 1953 and has worked in the factory as well as the office. Since the first of the year he has been in the company's sales training program. He started in the Shipping Dept. and then became a clerk in Production Control. In 1954 he went into the Sales Office.

He is married and has a three-year-old son. They will make their home in Lubbock, Texas. Forrest's father, Marvin, works in Dept. 80 and his mother, Iris, works in Dept. 50.

Mr. Mautz has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois and joined Mueller Co. in 1955. Prior to that he was a sportscaster.



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Sarnia Area Beauty Awes 1625 Explorer

The first white man to see the site now known as Sarnia was a Franciscan missionary, Father Joseph de la Roche Daillon. He came in 1625 and was overwhelmed with the view before him, he described it as "the most beautiful of all the countries of Canada."

Here was the source of the great blue St. Clair, consuming through a narrow 871-foot channel, the discharge of Lake Huron and its natural drainage of a half a continent.

Tall stands of timber swept over the flatlands down to the very shores of vast Lake Huron where the Mohawk and the Huron beached their canoes.

Originally known as "The Rapids" because of the narrow channel of rushing water at its doorstep, the community took Sarnia for its name after a Roman term for one of the channel islands, where the ancients sought haven for their galleys during the furious gales of the English Channel.

It was not until 1836 that the land was settled and founded as a busy lumber port.

More recent history of Sarnia-Lambton County has been centered in the early discoveries of oil. The continent's first dug oil well was brought in at nearby Oil Springs in 1858. A 30-minute drive from Sarnia takes the visitor to the Oil Museum of Canada where Hugh Nixon Shaw found oil at 158 feet.

Judy Staudt Retires; Fleckenstein Named

Julius A. (Judy) Staudt, Mueller Traffic Manager at Decatur, has retired after 40 years with the company.

Joe Fleckenstein, who has been Assistant Traffic Manager, has been named to succeed Judy. Joe started with Mueller in 1938 as a messenger and then worked a number of years in the Shipping Dept., before moving into the Traffic Dept.

Judy started with Mueller Co. in mid-1922 as a packer in the Shipping Dept. A year later he was made assistant traffic manager and in 1945 he was named to head the department.

Canadian Sales Meeting

Workshop Was Work

Seminar, conference, workshop or general sales meeting—whatever you want to call it, Mueller, Limited's meeting in April of salesmen from across Canada was hard work.

The four-day meeting had its light moments, but it wasn't a holiday from customers, telephone calls or business.

Although the formal schedule called for sessions to run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the talk about Mueller usually started at breakfast and lasted well into the night. Wherever two Mueller men met you could usually hear the terms Oriseal, Dialcet, flush valves, or LubOseal drifting from the conversation.

The workshop provided practical experience for the salesmen in that they participated in actual demonstrations and were members of discussion panels. Many of the men went into detail on the methods they used

to make a particular sales presentation. Others took roles as purchasing agents or utility managers and discussed products with the salesmen.

The outside sales force also heard discussions on new products, learned of the procedures in the sales office from Ian Milne, toured the plant in Sarnia, and talked over credit methods with C. S. Browett, Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Plant Controller.

They also heard: Jackson Kemper, Executive Vice President of Mueller Co., discuss the future of Mueller, Limited and outlined the Mueller organization.

George McAvity, Managing Director, talk about the plans and aims for Mueller in Canada.

Irvine Twilley, Southam Specialized Marketing Services, Tor-

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Jack Aitchison (left) and Al Bannister "remember" Mueller, Limited as it was when it opened 50 years ago.

50 Years of Remembering By Two Mueller Veterans

"Jack, you wouldn't know the place!"

This statement was made by Al Bannister to Jack Aitchison following a quick trip through the Mueller, Limited plant.

Jack and Al didn't realize that there wasn't a person around the company who knew "the place" when they first knew it.

These two gentlemen started with Mueller, Limited before it began production. They are believed to be the only two em-

ployees who were on hand in 1912, who are still around to celebrate its Golden Anniversary.

Fifty years ago they joined a construction gang that was putting up a building for the H. Mueller Manufacturing Co. Little did they realize that this building (now the Machine Shop) would be the center for much of their activity for the next half century.

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War Efforts Stand Out In History

The year is 1912—the Titanic is down with 1,500 persons perishing at sea; the Republic of China is established; the discovery of the South Pole is announced and Woodrow Wilson is the new president of the United States.

This same year Mueller Co. found a long-sought site for a Canadian operation that would supply the growing plumbing and water needs of the provinces.

Sir Robert L. Borden was Prime Minister of Canada as ground was broken for Mueller, Limited on the banks of the St. Clair River in Sarnia.

From this beginning in 1912, under Mr. Oscar who was its first president and manager for about fifteen years, the company has swelled from 70 employees to about 400 workers.

Very early in its history Mueller, Limited developed a technique for forging brass and was one of the first in its industry to do so. In 1914 this knowledge was made use of by the British and Canadian Governments to produce fuses for high explosive shells. This innovation turned H. Mueller Mfg. Co., Ltd., the forerunner of Mueller, Limited, into a busy around-the-clock operation that employed up to 2,000 persons and was one of the largest producers in Canada.

The end of the war left Mueller, Limited with excess facilities. There had been little time to build sales between the opening of the plant and the war so that it was almost a case of starting a second time.

The introduction of copper water pipe in the 1920's by Mueller, Limited could be called one of the milestones in the development of the company. This opened up new markets for the company and because of the popularity of copper, Mueller, Limited entered into the production of Streamline solder fittings.

Today, 90 per cent of the Canadian municipalities use copper pipe for water service installations.

At the outbreak of World War II the Canadian Government again looked to Mueller, Limited because of the company's fine record during World War I. Early in 1940 Mueller, Limited began production of forgings and machine parts for anti-aircraft and naval ammunition as well

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Reed Transferred To Chattanooga

Ronald C. Reed, Assistant Personnel Director at Mueller Co. in Decatur, has been named Personnel Director at the firm's Chattanooga, Tenn., plant.

Reed, a 1956 graduate of Millikin University, has been personnel assistant in Decatur since he joined the company three years ago.

He was born in Pana, Ill., and has been living in Blue Mound. The appointment was effective Aug. 1.

In the newly created position, Reed will be responsible for the personnel and industrial relations functions of the Chattanooga plant.



A portion of the chemical complex of Sarnia, Ontario is shown by the photo above. Mueller, Limited, as one of the earliest industrial citizens of the community, is surrounded by the rambling St. Claire river and industrial giants of the Chemical Valley of Canada.

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refineries except the Imperial Oil, invaded their present 2,500-acre layout, Mueller, Limited had begun to take roots in the center of the area which was to be the site of the greatest concentration of petroleum-chemical facilities in Canada.

Whether you live in Canada or in one of the 100 countries served by this center, you have used something that had its beginning here—plastic toys, hula hoops, household detergents, tires, anti-freeze, foam rubber cushions, insulation, paints, gasoline, ammonia, caustic soda, fiberglass or refined oil products.

A few years ago it could be said of Sarnia that it saw more water traffic go by than few, if any other city in the world. This is still true because the St. Clair River is claimed to be busier in eight months than the Panama, Suez and Kiel canals are in twelve months. The implication that Sarnia was being passed by a few years ago was true, but today it is a stopping place for vessels from all over the world.

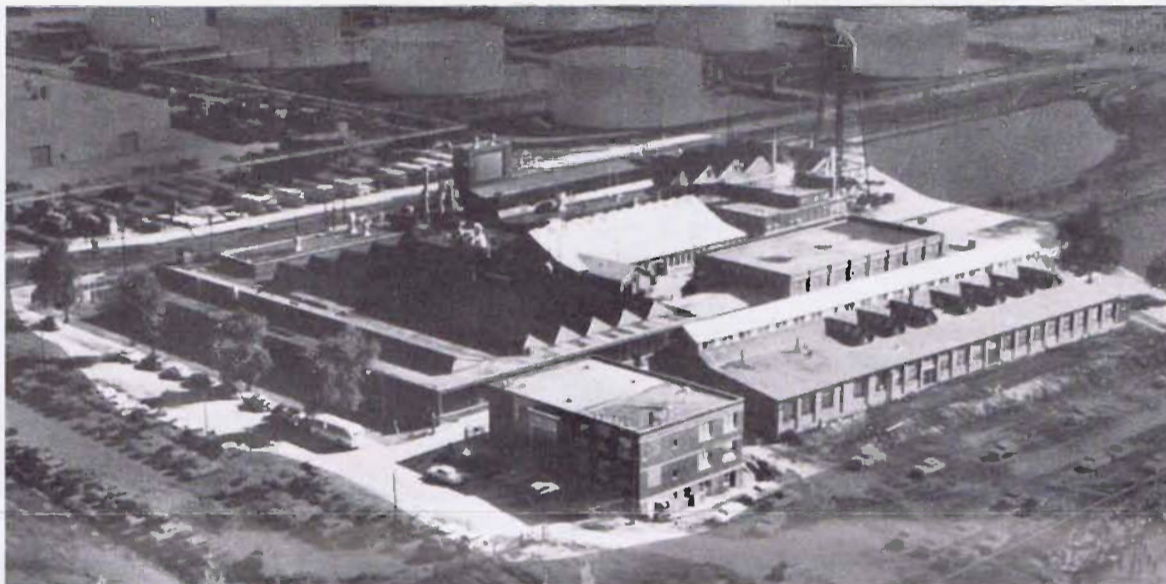
People, as well as ships, are now stopping in the Sarnia area. Its population leaped from 18,000 in 1940 to 50,000 in 1960. From 1950 to 1956 it zoomed from 23,000 to 43,000. Today, about 100,000 persons live in Sarnia's Lambton County.

What is the attraction in this community? For people, naturally, it is the opportunity for work and pleasant living surroundings. About 7,000 persons are employed in the "Chemical Valley" and as the valley grew, so grew the community.

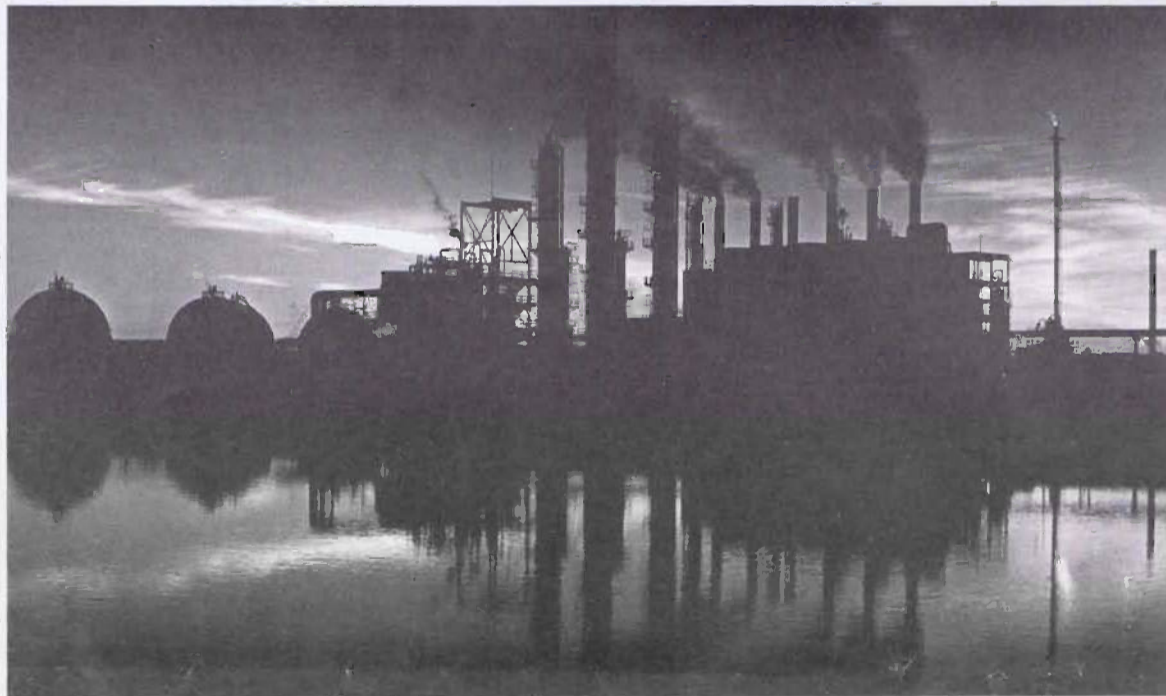
Sarnia has many good things going for it. Few cities can offer an unlimited water supply which is so important for operation of a petrochemical operation; rail, highway and deep-water transportation; proximity to markets; salt beds and nearness to the world's longest crude petroleum pipeline from the wells of the western provinces. Daily Sarnia's refineries use six times as much water as the rest of the city.

Each great operation is in some degree dependent on its neighbor; none functions fully without the others, yet several in a very real economic sense compete.

Back in 1857 when North America's first commercial oil well was brought in 18 miles from Sarnia, no one dreamed this lumber-and-shipbuilding



The plant and offices of Mueller, Limited



One of the gasping, hissing refineries of Sarnia

community of 800 would grow to present proportions.

The nearby oil fields turned to Sarnia for an outlet and in 1897 Imperial Oil opened a 900-barrel-a-day refinery in Sarnia. Today, Imperial's 2,000 employees in the country's largest refinery produce 94,000 barrels of crude oil daily. Imperial, largest of the three in the area, now turns out 640 products from gasoline to waxes and asphalts.

Sarnia's natural advantages, plus the availability of supplies from Imperial, prompted the Canadian government to establish the Polymer Corp. in 1943. Polymer became the world's largest synthetic rubber producer.

Polymer with its 2,500 em-

ployees produces 350 million pounds of rubber and chemical products from its investment of \$100,000,000 in a 200-acre tract.

After Polymer, the industries came in chain reaction. Dow Chemical of Canada built a plant which produces 600 chemicals for industry, agriculture and home. Dow owns 700 acres of land in Sarnia.

As recently as the summer of 1951, the 500-acre site now occupied by Canadian Oil's Sarnia refinery was well-cultivated farmland. The \$40,000,000 plant is now processing crude oil from Alberta's oil fields at the rate of 50,000 barrels a day. In addition to automotive gasolines, the refinery produces aviation gasoline, stove oil, diesel fuel, propane, butane and many others.

Quality petroleum products from Sun Oil Company, Limited's refinery began flowing in October, 1953.

The Ethyl Corporation of Canada, Limited opened its plant in 1956 and ended the reliance of Canadian oil refiners upon sources outside of Canada for anti-knock compounds. The Ethyl of Canada plant is situated on a 100-acre tract on the

east bank of the St. Clair River, about seven miles from the heart of Sarnia.

Relatively new in Sarnia's Chemical Valley is DuPont of Canada, Limited. Completed in 1960, this plant produces a family of plastic resins called linear polyethylenes. These are fabricated by customers into many familiar articles for homes, gardens and offices. Plastic pipe is made with linear polyethylenes.

Sarnia is also the home of Sifto Salt, Limited which has extracted more than 2,500,000 tons of salt from the depths of the earth around Sarnia during the last 60 years. Besides supplying the Chemical Valley with salt products, Sifto has also provided some of the refineries with storage areas. For example, Sun stores 25,000,000 gallons of liquified petroleum gases in cavities washed out of former salt beds.

The introduction in Sarnia of Catalytic Construction of Canada, Limited is directly linked with the chemical complex there. It provides maintenance, construction and engineering services for the major industries in the Chemical Valley.

One unusual plant in the valley makes smoke and then saves the soot at the rate of 100,000,000 pounds a year. Cabot Carbon scientifically collects oil furnace carbon black and sells it to the rubber industry. Four pounds of carbon black are used in the usual automobile tire to reinforce the tire and give it longer wear.

Aside from the chemical complex, Mueller, Limited and Electric Autolite seem to be the only major industries.

Mueller is one of the oldest industrial citizens of the community and has grown with Sarnia. Surrounded by such impressive giants as Imperial, Polymer and the St. Clair River, the Mueller plant almost seems out of place. It is from this plant, however, that Mueller, Limited has been able to become recognized as a leader in the water, gas and plumbing industries and certainly won't be dissolved by the solutions or chemicals that slosh out of this golden valley of science.

Darnell Heads Decatur 4-X

Lloyd Darnell, Standards Engineer, has been elected president of the Decatur 4-X Club, succeeding Jack Bain, Core Room Foreman.

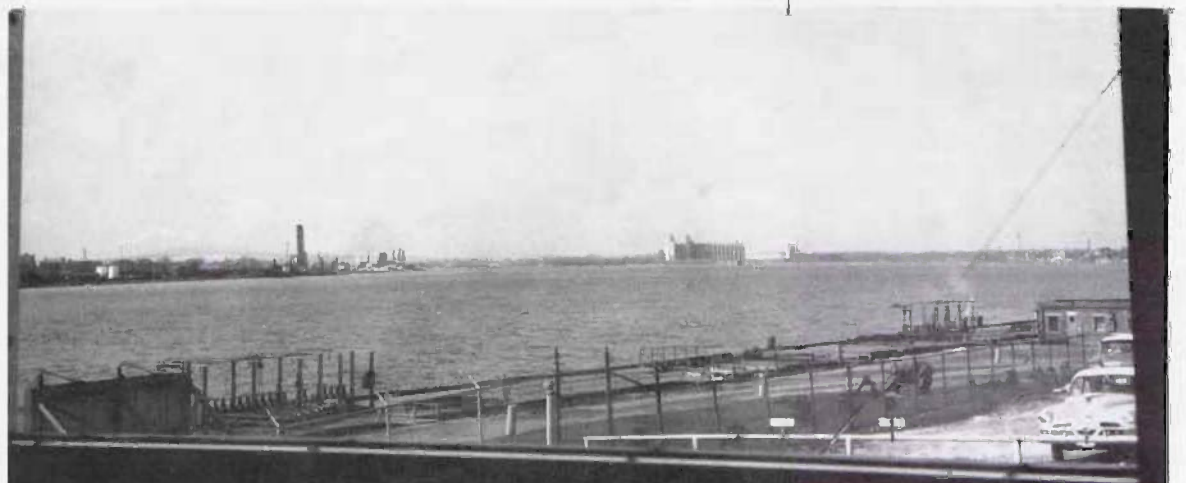
Other officers elected for the 1962-63 year were:

Walt Taylor, Materials Handling Engineer, Vice President

Bob Johnston, Sales Service Correspondent-Water, Treasurer

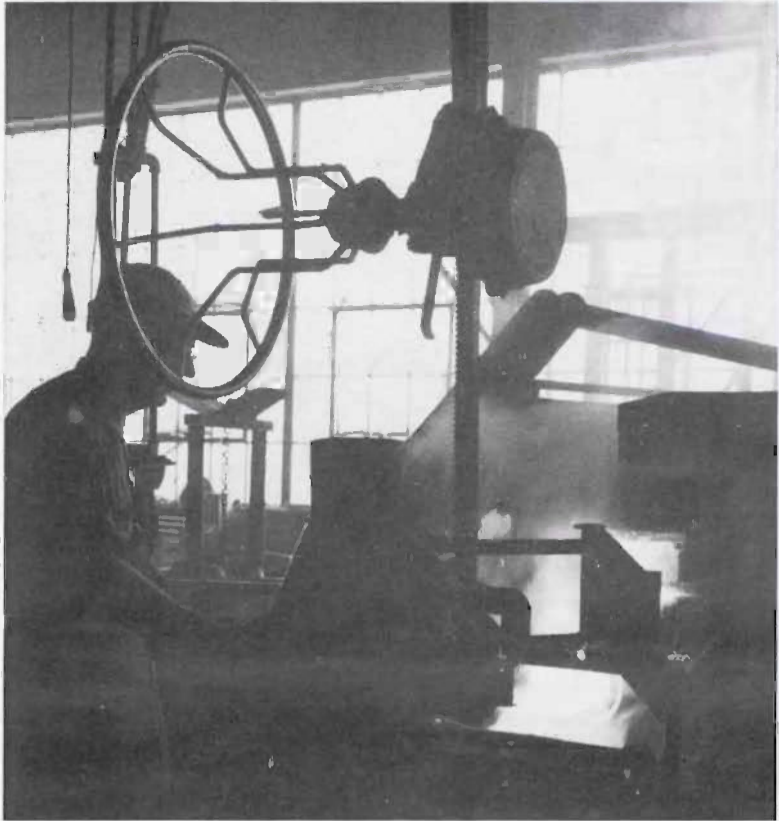
Roy Thompson, Cost Estimator, Secretary

Joe Penne, Assistant Editor, Program Chairman.

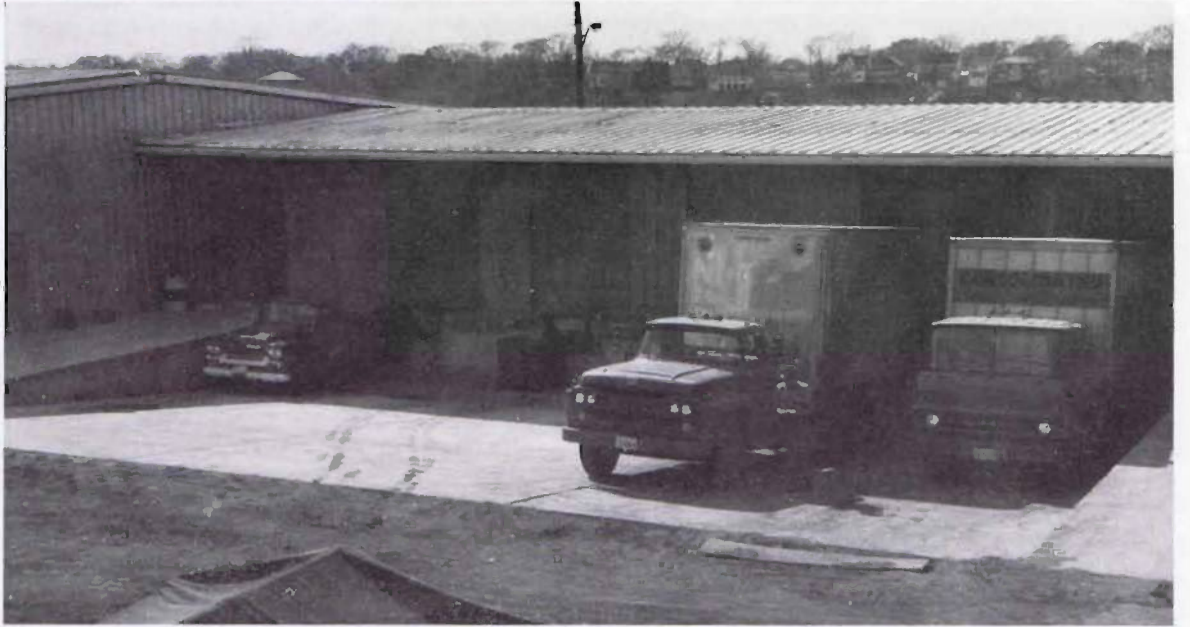


Looking out of one of Mueller, Limited's office windows one can see the St. Claire River; Sarnia, on the far right; and Port Huron, Mich., on the left. In

the foreground can be seen spaces for tying up ocean-going vessels that haul for the refineries.



Ernest Berdan, Metal Pourer, and some of the equipment silhouetted by the sun coming through the windows of the modern brass foundry at Mueller, Limited.



The expanded truck loading dock is shown above. The dock area has been increased to provide space for five trucks instead of for one while the warehousing space is about doubled by an expansion at Mueller, Limited.

Sarnia Plant Readies for Next 50 Years with Building Program

With one modernization and expansion completed recently and another now underway, the outlook appears good for Mueller, Limited.

In 1959, Mueller, Limited spent about a half-million dollars for a foundry expansion and modernization. One of the main expenditures was the installation of electric furnaces in the foundry.

The new furnaces, new sand handling equipment and improved molding equipment were introduced to improve the quali-

ty of the metal that came from the Mueller foundry. The new facilities have greatly increased the production of brass casting.

One person referred to the Mueller foundry as the highest producing plant in the vicinity. Its mechanized molding and cleaning equipment, continuous sand mixing, electric induction furnaces and shell core makers have all made for increased production and higher quality.

A complete modernization and expansion of warehouse and shipping facilities is now under-

way. The additional 11 500 square feet of space will double the warehousing and shipping capacities. The dock area can now accommodate five trucks instead of one.

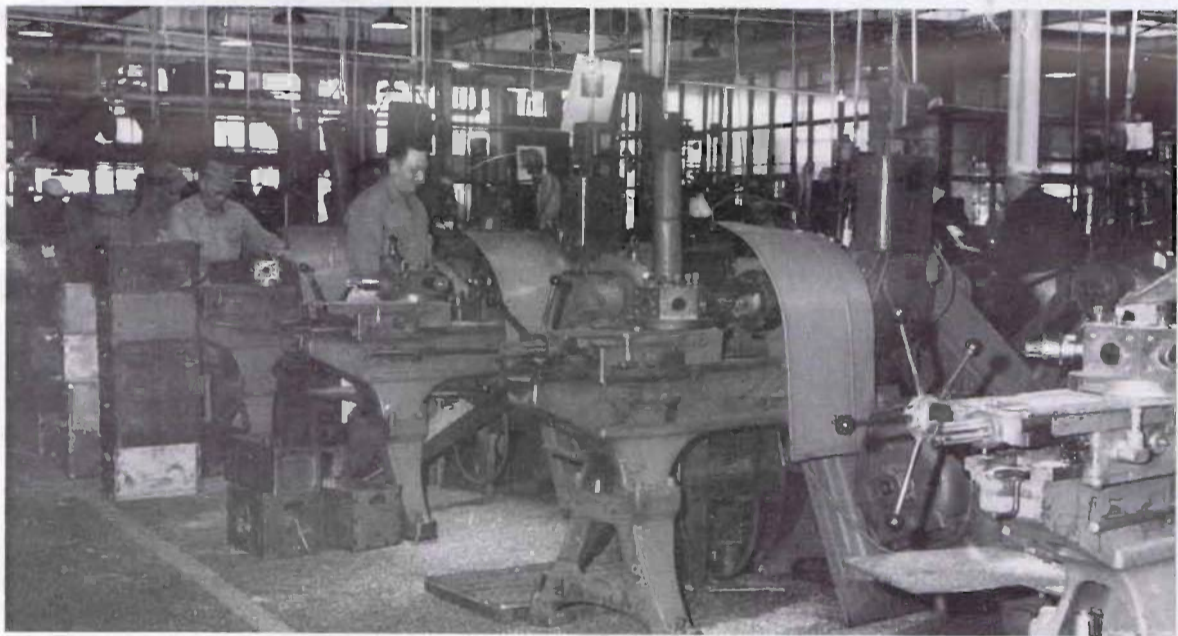
The additional space makes it possible to expand the assembly departments, to centralize shipping and storage, and to consolidate machining operations.

Ultimately the Receiving Department will be in the center of a U-shaped arrangement of buildings. The manufacturing operators begin at the top of the "U" and move through each operation to the finished product and shipping.

The company cafeteria, which was a landmark for many years was torn down to make room for the expanded warehouse. About 3,000 square feet of space has been remodeled and made into a new cafeteria for employees.



Walt Irvine demonstrates the art of polishing by working on a piece of Mueller, Limited plumbing. This skill is called the most difficult to learn of any job in the company. Carl Smith, Production Superintendent, says it takes from six to nine months to learn the proper touch.

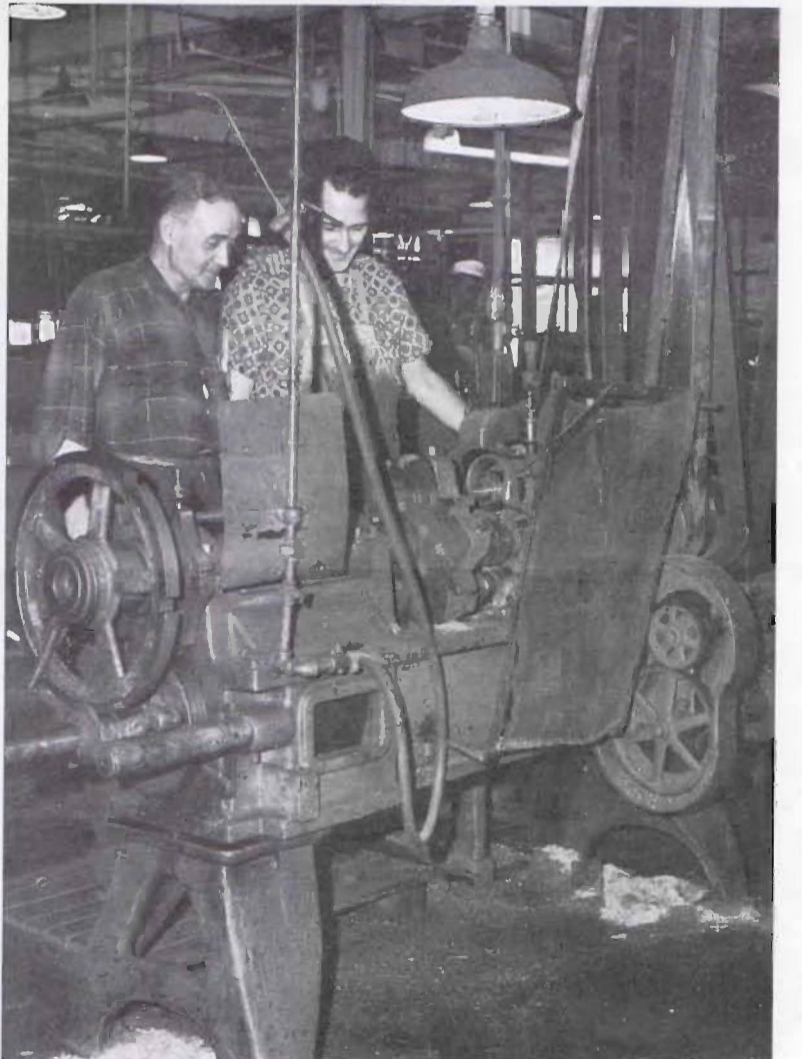


Mueller, Limited's Brass Machine Shop



Mueller, Limited's team in the Sarnia Industrial 5-pin League won the league title again this year but lost out in the first round of the playoffs. Members of the team are, from left: Pete Krywicki,

Lyle Izzard, Eric Wood, Gordon Karr, Walter Irvine, Jack Cain, Frank Petronski and Mike Van Horne.



This New Britain brass stem machine is also marking 50 years of operation in Canada. This machine went from Decatur to Sarnia in 1912 and was still in use almost daily earlier this year. If the belt-driven machine needed new parts, they were made in the Mueller, Limited tool room. Mike Scott, Foreman in Dept. 3 (left) and Jean Poirier take a look at the machine. It is scheduled to be replaced this year.



The completed office (right) and warehouse. The final portion of the expansion project in Decatur is expected to be finished by spring. Workmen are now laying brick, and

pouring the concrete roof and floor on the manufacturing-warehouse building. The section under construction is behind and to the right of the office.



Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Keil look at a product display in the reception center and lobby of the new

office. Mr. Keil was company secretary prior to his retirement.

Hundreds Visit New Office Decatur Open House



Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Curry were two of the hundreds of Mueller employees and their families who came to the open house which gave them a chance to see the new office, as well as the plant, warehouse and engineering building.



A grandfather clock in the Board of Directors room catches the attention of Walt Jenkins and his three boys.



Pershing Griffith (right) tells his daughter about the use of a product displayed in the lobby.



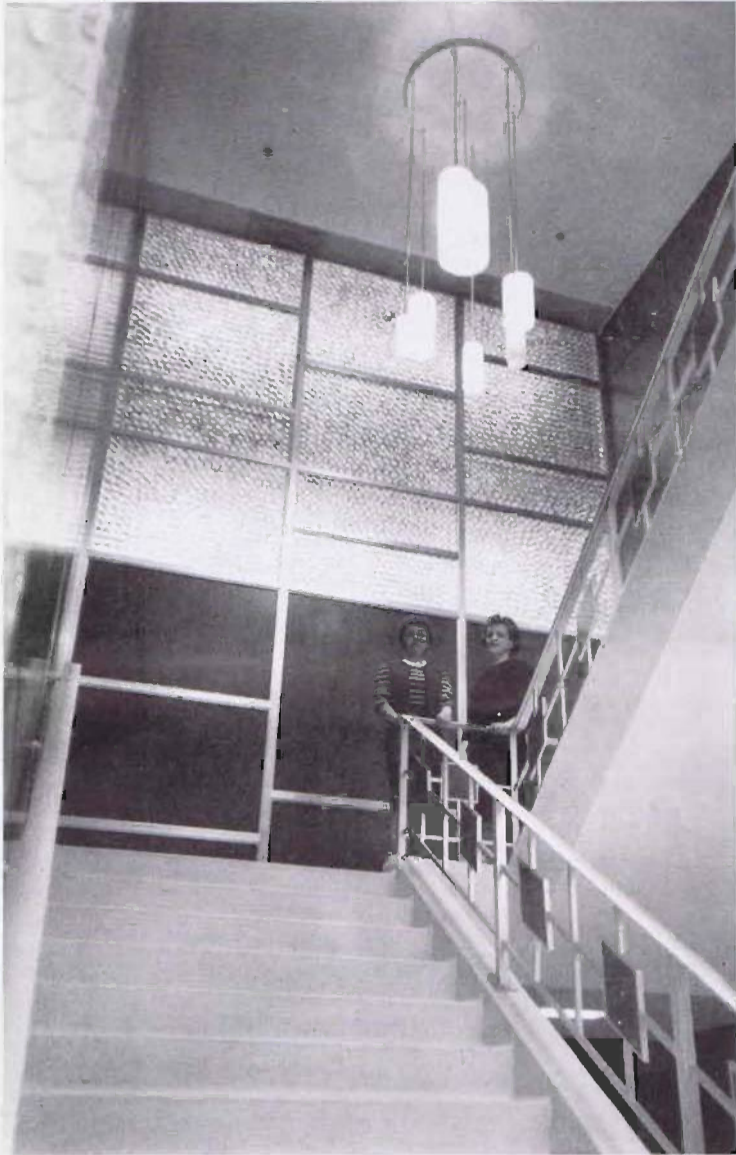
Machine Repairman Bob Schmitt takes a hard look at some printing equipment in the Stationery Dept.



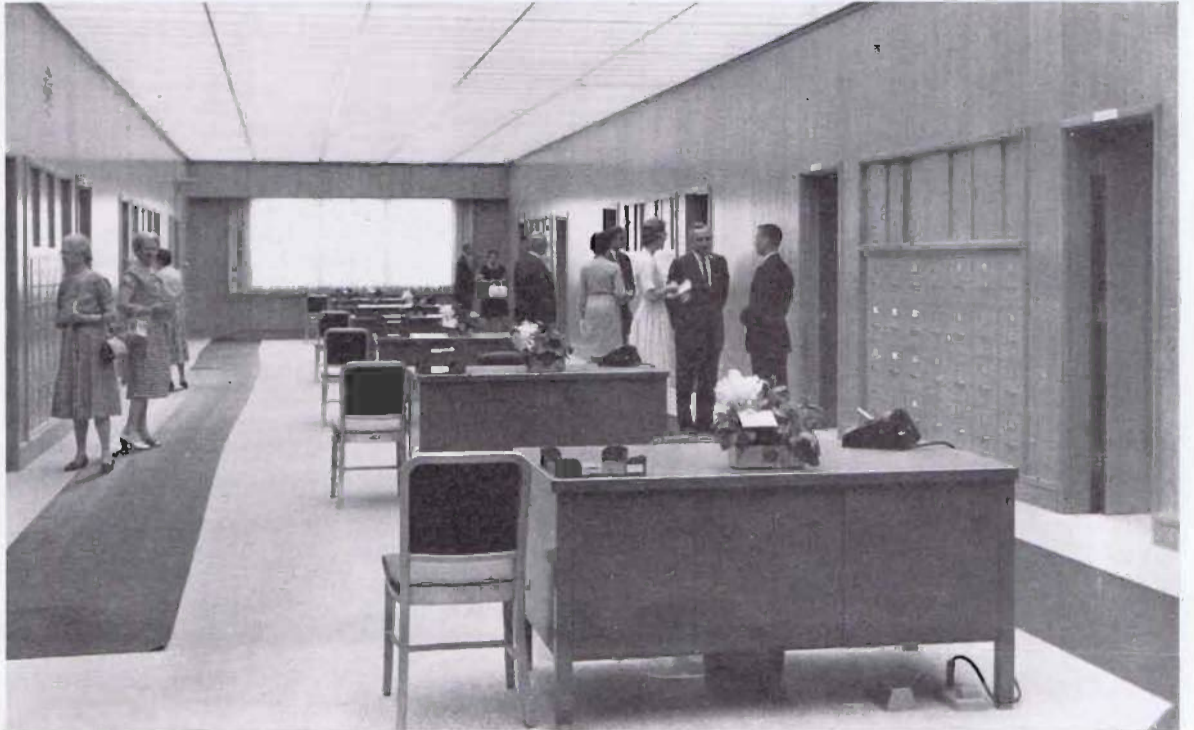
The west wing of the first floor is occupied by the Accounting Section, Cost Accounting, Payroll and Credit Departments.



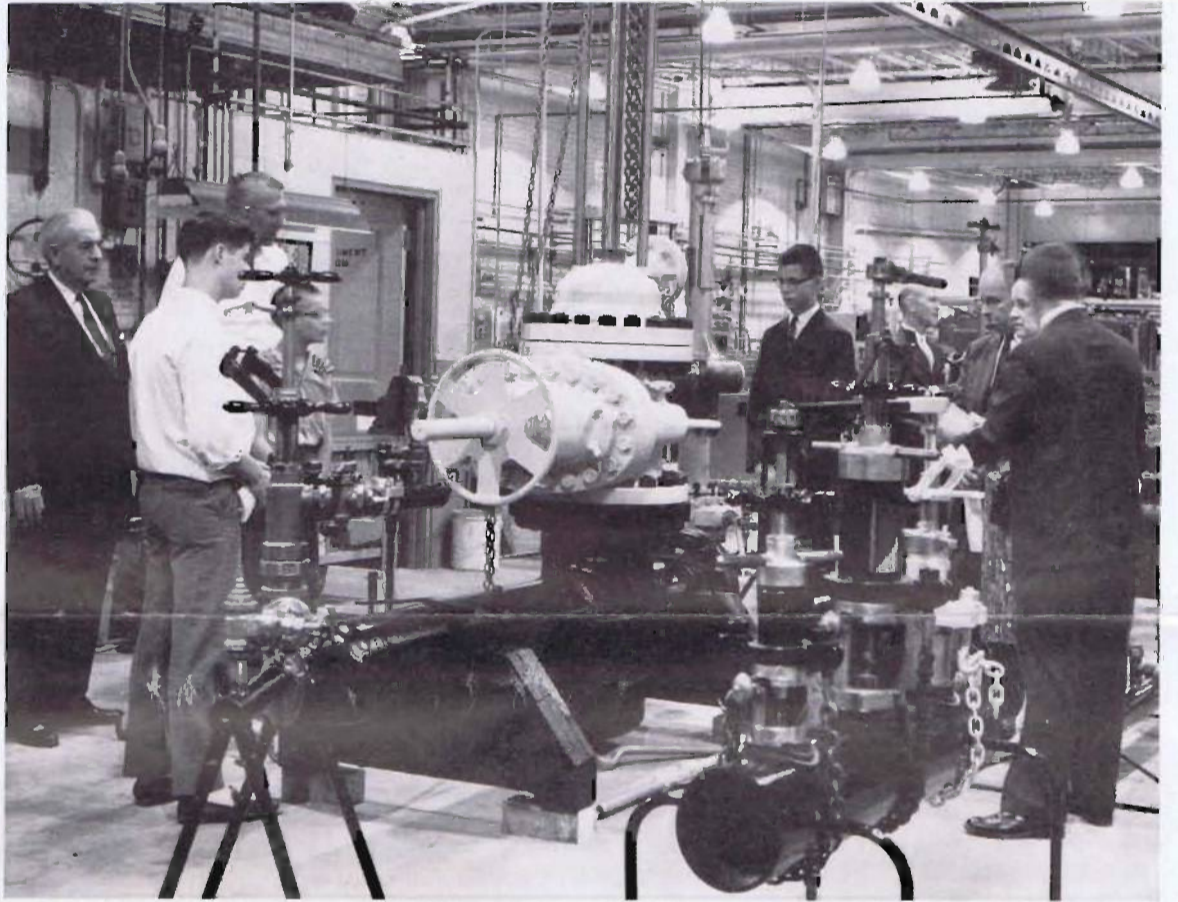
"Aha! Caught you!"



One of the most attractive spots in the new building is the stairway between the first and second floors.



The secretaries for company officers work in this area. The private offices of the executives are on the right. The functional design of the building is exemplified by the file drawers which are built into the wood-paneled walls.



Displays showing some of the uses of Mueller Co. products were main points of interest for employees, families and friends of the company, at the open houses.



Insulated rooms, which muffle the sounds of office machines, are found on two floors. These rooms keep distracting sounds at a minimum in the general work area.



The sales office of Mueller Co. in Decatur is located in this area.



The employee open house was also a chance for parents and grandparents to display some of their offspring. Shown with their new grandson are Mr. and Mrs. Otto Peake.



Mrs. Christine Freeman, the president's secretary, places a folder on Mr. Webber's desk in his new office.



Board of Directors room



MUELLER CO. in Los Angeles



By
Warren Wunderlich and Kathryn Thompson

The Shipping Dept. bowling team edged out the Sales crew to win the Mueller Co. Los Angeles pin title. An awards banquet was held recently at the Rio Hondo Country Club in Downey honoring the top bowlers. Members of the winning team were: Captain Charles Portee, Bill Adkins, June Adkins, Dan Bocksberger and Jerry Collins. Runnerup team members were: Captain Jim Wolf, Helen Wolf, Mary Nelson, Red Nelson and Don Kelley.

Individual honors went to Jerry Collins for a 659 score which was the top series for men, while Roy Taylor's 259 was the best single game among the men. The top high series among the ladies was rolled by Helen Wolf who had a 624. Vickie Galvin was named the most improved woman bowler and also had the high single game with a 243 score. Jim Holmes was selected as the most improved bowler among the men. A 2,935 score rolled by the Machine Shop team was the league's best team series and 1,009 pins was the most picked up by one team in a single game.

Vacations are beginning again. Gene Warren visited the deep South: namely Mississippi and Alabama. Glenn McCoun went to Florida but he says the highlight of the trip was his visit to Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico. Marshall Cook went to New York, coming back by way of Canada and the World's Fair in Seattle. John Royer (Assembly Dept.) and his wife also went to the Fair. Johnny sent Hazel Rice and Evelyn Miller a slice of what is claimed to be the largest cake ever made. It weighed 25,000 pounds, was 23 feet high and had five tiers. At its base, its sides were 10 feet long. It was topped by a sugar replica of Mount Rainier. The girls reported it tasted good too.

Hazel Lehman split her vacation between New York City and California. She took a jet airliner trip to New York, and a trailer trip to Crowley Lake in the High Sierras for fishing with her husband.

Two more travelers, Russell Hubbard and his wife, just completed another trip around the world. Jimmy Musso received a card from the Hubbards who were in India at that time. They

first flew to Tahiti, then to India and Egypt. From the Arab countries they went to Greece and then to Germany where they picked up a new automobile for touring the Scandinavian countries. After a visit to Holland they returned to the United States.

"Pappy" Musso (Brass Machine Shop) had his family increased by one son-in-law when his daughter Marlene was married recently to Wesley Civile.

Lou Hall (Brass Machine Shop) is now a two-time grandfather. A daughter was born recently to his daughter Jo Anne. His first grandchild was born to his daughter Delores 14 months ago.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Montie Sweany on the birth of their daughter, Jill. Montie works in the Brass Machine Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Quintana are to be congratulated also on the birth of a son Steve, born May 19. This was their first child and he weighed 8 lbs., 10 ozs. Pete works in the Foundry.

A second son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Peterson on May 25. Welcome to Thomas Eric Peterson who weighed 5 lbs., 11 ozs. Best wishes to this growing family.

A special salute to Carolie and Art Driscoll who are the proud parents of an adopted baby boy, Don Arthur Driscoll. Carolie formerly of our Payroll Dept., retired a few months ago to prepare for the new arrival.

Charlie Newell, who retired about 15 years ago, died recently at the age of 80. Mr. Newell originally came from Decatur and was one of the first people to work in the Los Angeles plant. He was the father of Bobby Newell and the grandfather of Don Newell, both of the Brass Machine Shop. We extend our sympathy to the family.

We also extend our sympathy to:

Rose Marino (Assembly Dept.) on the death of her father; Ed Vogel (Foundry Foreman) on the death of his father; Manuel Valadez (Steel Machine Shop) and his wife in the loss of their little daughter; Marjorie Spohn (Sales) who lost her sister, Dorothy.

DECATUR DEATHS

We would like to extend our sympathy to the families of Decatur employees, or to employees whose relatives passed away during the past weeks:

To the family of retired employee George Offenstien.

To the family of retired employee Arthur Austin.

To the family of retired employee George Wilson.

To Marvin Davis (Dept. 70) in the loss of his father-in-law, Raymond Payne.

To William O'Brien (Dept. 70) in the loss of his father-in-law, Martin Kodrick.

To James W. Edwards (Dept. 10) in the loss of his wife.

To Mrs. Robert Miller (Dept. 49) in the loss of her father-in-law.

To Mary Lou Wheatley (Dept. 44) in the loss of her father, Ralph Wheatley.

To Walter Mitchell (Dept. 47) in the loss of his mother, Mrs. Zita Mitchell.

To Isaac Gowan (Dept. 36) in the loss of his father and to Eldred Connors (Dept. 80) in the loss of his father-in-law, Oliver Gowan.

William E. Hixson Heads Chattanooga Foreman's Club

William E. Hixson, Jr., Quality Control Supervisor, has been elected president of the Mueller Co. Foreman's Club in Chattanooga, succeeding Robert L. Rhodes.

Other officers elected were: Herman Easley, Vice President; Robert Lusk, Secretary; James Potter, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer.

Harlan White Heads United Fund Division

Harlan A. White, Manager of Manufacturing, has been named head of the industrial division of the Decatur 1962 United Fund drive for the second year in succession.

The division, which covers 37 plants employing more than 10,000 persons, raised \$204,000 last year under Mr. White's direction.

He previously served as chairman of the United Fund budget and allocations committee in 1958 and 1959.



Sidelights & Highlights from Chattanooga

by
Gene Racz

Claude Hawthorne enjoyed his first wild turkey hunt recently by bagging a 14-pound bronze back gobbler on opening day at the Ocoee Reservation. Part of this sly old bird, a wing, back feathers and beard, were mounted on a plaque. It didn't get stuffed like some other members of its family.

Best wishes to Floyd Orr and Margaret Robinson who were married recently in the home of the groom. Floyd is employed in the Assembly Dept. and the couple is now residing at 1239 Sheridan Ave.

Claude Howell placed third in a golf tournament in Tallahassee, Fla. and won a new sand wedge. Claude has been playing for just a couple of years and we think he is doing exceptionally well.

John M. Tate, plant watchman since 1946, retired recently. He had requested that he not be given a going-away gift by his fellow workers as he preferred to slip away quietly. There was no ceremony at the plant but a number of gifts were delivered to his home the following week which showed the high esteem held for him by co-workers at Chattanooga. They sent a porch glider, two lawn chairs and a transistor radio. They also sent a cane and hat to John so he will be appropriately dressed when he visits the stockyards. John expects to spend a lot of his time working around the pens.

Welcome back to Edward Reed who spent the last few years in military service. Edward is working in the Iron Foundry.



Ben and Mildred Roy celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary recently and were honored at an open house at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Roy Williams. A number of co-workers and friends called to extend their congratulations. Ben is a supervisor in the Machine Shop.

Curtis Barber and Roberta Johnson were married recently in Ringgold, Ga. We extend our best wishes. Curtis is employed in the Iron Foundry.

Sue Stout and Robert Dantzer were married on June 3 in the Westwood Baptist Church. Sue is employed in the Billing Dept. and Robert works at Southern Paper Corp. The couple will reside in Cleveland, Tenn. Mary Stancil was a hostess at a miscellaneous shower given by office employees.

Mary and Jack Barker were honored recently by the student body of Chattanooga High School. Mary, an English teacher at the school, was class sponsor for the senior class and was presented with a set of research books in American and English Literature. The students also gave them both an inscribed silver tray and a standing ovation at an assembly. Jack is Purchasing Agent at Mueller.

Florida vacationers were Mary Kellogg, Production Control; Geraldine Sells, Accounting, and Frances Finnell, Payroll. Enjoying the vacation scenery on the home front have been: Lavonne Maddox, Purchasing; Dolores McFadden, Engineering; Coy Jones, Foundry Supt. and Bob Harris, Maintenance.

Our sympathy is extended to: Harvey Close (Pattern Shop) in the loss of his father.

Edward Parham (Assembly) in the passing of his father.

Robert W. Lusk in the loss of his father.

Stanley Kuhne recently received an expense-paid trip to New York because of his bowling abilities. The American International Bowling Corp. sponsored a national bowling tournament. A top league bowler was picked from a local alley each month for a year and then a roll-off was held to determine the winner. By winning Stanley was flown to New York for four days where he participated in another tournament at the Yonkers Bowl. He failed to qualify for the meet in Madison Square Garden but had a great time anyway.

Congratulations to the following new parents:

Floyd Peters on the birth of a son, Anthony Eugene, March 15
A. D. Ringer on the birth of a son, A. D. Jr., May 13

William Holloway on the birth of a son, Lloyd Daniel, May 18
Kenneth Elrod on the birth of a son, Christopher Bryan, May 27

Bobby Ridge on the birth of a son, David Brian, May 30.

Looks like a shortage of girls this season.



Carolle Driscoll (left) at her going-away party

MUELLER, LIMITED Reports

by
PHYLLIS TURNER



About 75 persons attended the annual Mueller, Limited mixed bowling league banquet held recently at the Sarnia Riding Club. Sig Sigurdson presented the new Mueller, Limited trophy to the Ferrules Team and its captain, Howard Sayman. The Ferrules edged out Mike Scott's Pop-Ups for the league crown. Wib Nesbitt's team, the Cleaners, was

Helen Joleum, Ladies' High Series
Claude Furlotte, Men's High Average
Charlie Morris, Men's High Game
Claude Furlotte, Men's High Series
The High Team Series award went to Don Cuthbertson's "Goosenecks."

a trip to eastern Ontario, they made their home in Petrolia. Len works in Dept. 6.

Best wishes to Marilyn and Joseph Ostachuk who were married recently in the Paterson Memorial Church, Sarnia. A reception was held in the church youth center following the afternoon ceremony. For their wedding trip, the Ostachuks toured the Canadian west and Banff. Since returning from their trip they have taken up residence on Mittxon Street, Sarnia. Marilyn works in the Sales Dept.

Two retired employees recently passed away. James Keys, retired from Mueller, Limited since 1951, died May 9. Clarry J. (Teddy) Brent, retired since 1947, died May 19. Our sympathy is extended to the families of these two gentlemen. Mr. Brent's son, James, works in the Shipping Room.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the following employees and their families on the passing of their loved ones:

- Bruce Barrett and Mrs. Barrett in the loss of Mrs. Barrett's mother.
- Donald Thain and Mrs. Thain in the loss of Mrs. Thain's father.
- Lila McDougall in the loss of her mother.
- William and Leo Ryan in the loss of their mother.
- Alvin Smith in the loss of his sister.
- Joseph Price in the loss of his father.
- Bertram and Mrs. Walker in the loss of Mrs. Walker's mother.
- O. Cecil Spears in the loss of his mother.



Marilyn and Joseph Ostachuk.



Mueller, Limited bowling banquet

winner of the Round Robin tournament. New Officers elected were: Morris Lester, President; Claude Furlotte, Vice President; G. Schillemore, Treasurer; and Doris Smith, Secretary.

Individual prizes went to:
Doris Smith, Ladies' High Average
Doris McLaughlin, Ladies' High Game

Best wishes to Leonard Normandin and Mary Irwin who were married April 27 in an evening ceremony at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Petrolia. Following the ceremony by the Rev. R. V. MacLean, a reception was held at the Guildwood Inn in Point Edward. Following

George Hayward and Mrs. Hayward in the loss of Mrs. Hayward's father.

Ward Boyle in the loss of his sister.

Congratulations to the following Moms and Dads of new young 'uns who have arrived since our last issue:

John and Mrs. LaPier, Plating

Room, a daughter, Luanne Majella, January 29.

Gil and Mrs. Murray, Foreman Dept. #7, a son, David Paul, February 14.

Fraser and Mrs. Campbell, Plating Room, a daughter, Sean, May 9.



Receiving a safety award for Dept. 9 (Tool Room) is Charles Babbitt, Safety Committeeman for the department. The award being presented by Factory Manager Merlín Coates is given in recognition of one year without a lost time accident. Departments 1 and 10 also received awards for their safety records and will be pictured in the next issue.



Gordon Geary, second from left, recently received his 40-year service pin, and a number of gifts from co-workers following his retirement. Gord, who was Mueller, Limited's Receiver for many years, re-

ceived a wrist watch, a transistor radio and an easy chair. Pictured from left are: Martin Roth, Foreman in the Shipping Room, Gord, Philip Hamilton and Harry Jewitt.



Harold Coates (center) holds his 35-year service pin which was presented to him by Raymond Lambert (left), Head Security Guard, and Harry J. Dowding, Industrial Engineer.



Some of the intense interest generated by the Mueller, Limited Sales Workshop is registered on the faces of, from left: Allan Fetterly, Art Leach, Eric Biergard and

Louis Boulanger. The workshop held in Sarnia gave the company's sales force a chance to learn about new products, discuss sales techniques and talk about problems.

Sales Workshop Features . . .

Talks, Tests and Testimonials



Looking over a display of Mueller plumbing goods are, from left: Art Leach, Allan Fetterly and Art Hutchingame.



Most of the participants at the workshop took time off to pose for a group picture. Front row, from the left, are: Bernie Davis, Martin Hardy, Ron Dagg, Louis Boulanger and Bill Brennan. In the back are: Eric

Biergard, Bud Helliwell, Jack Richardson, Sig Sigurdson, Jack McClure, Wilf St. Cyr, Fred Carter, Art Hutchingame, Jim Skippon, Bert Pullen, Ray Fletcher, Ron Nicolson, Allan Fetterly and Art Leach.



Bill Brennan and Florence Needham conduct a "demonstration"



Irvine Twilley of Southam Specialized Marketing Services, Toronto, (second from left) discusses a sales aid with Bert Pullen, Bernie Davis and Jack McClure.



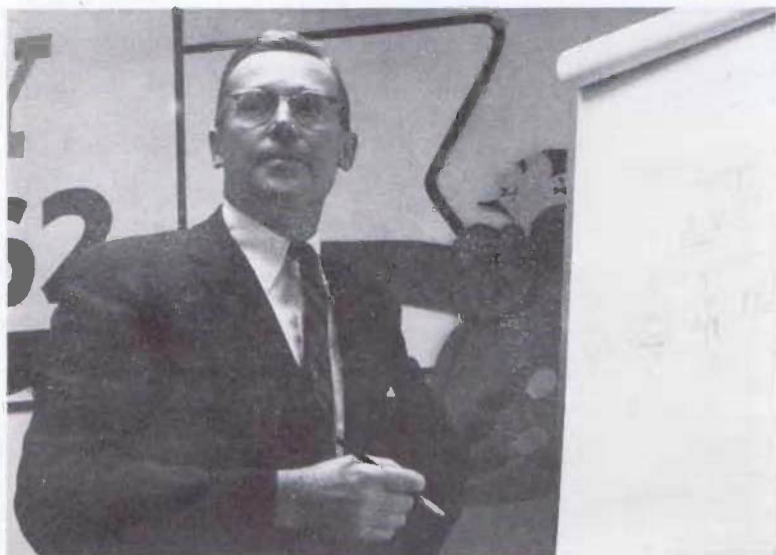
C. S. Browett, Mueller, Limited Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Plant Controller, office to address the sales force. In the foreground is J. (Scotty) Milne, was one of many persons from the Sarnia



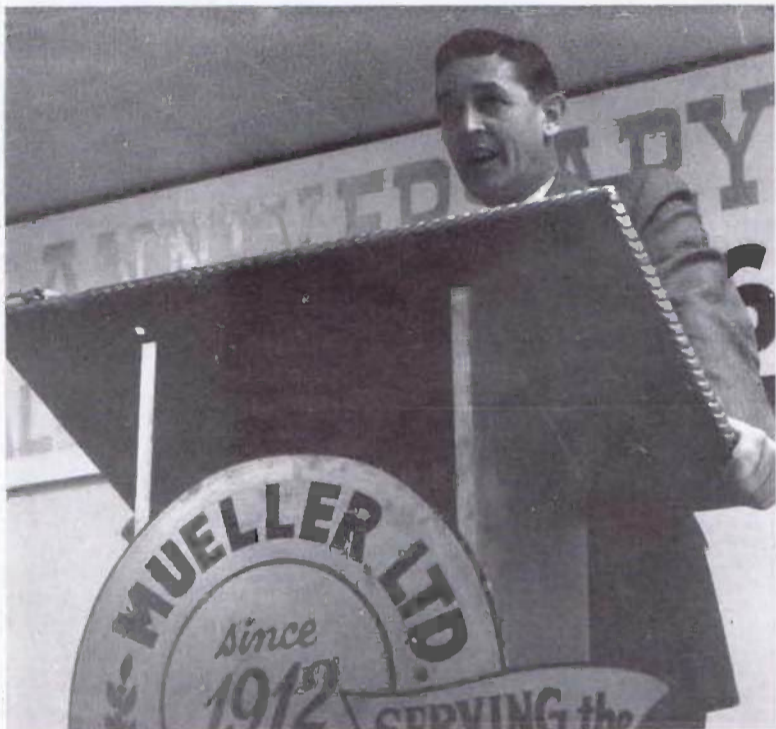
MUeller PRODUCTS WERE DISCUSSED . . . at coffee . . .

. . . at workshop sessions . . .

. . . wherever salesmen gathered.



Jackson Kemper, Mueller Co. Executive Vice President, addresses the workshop group and discusses company organization with the sales force.



George McAvity, Mueller Limited Managing Director, talks to the group.



RON NICOLSON
Vice President
and
General Sales Manager



SIG SIGURDSON
Assistant
General Sales Manager



ERIC BIERGARD has recently been added to the sales team working in the Toronto area. He previously worked with Crane Supply and has eight years of sales experience in the plumbing and heating industry. Eric is married and has a three-year old son.

A recent addition to the Montreal sales staff is **MARTIN HARDY**. For the past several years he has been associated with contractors and jobbers in the plumbing and heating industry. He is also an instructor for plumbing and heating at the Montreal Building and Trade School. He is married and has two children.

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onto, introduce a new marketing program for Mueller plumbing fixtures.

W. W. Harvey of the Sales Division of Moen Faucet Division Elyria, Ohio, discuss some of the Moen products.

Elton Plant, President of Elton M. Plant Advertising Co., Windsor, outline the advertising program and describe how salesmen could benefit most from it.

William M. McCance of Sarnia, President, National House Builders Association of Canada, talk about ways in which suppliers could help sell houses.

One of the highlights of the meeting was a No-Bo product demonstration by Charlesworth Fairweather who was reportedly sent from Decatur because of his broad background and product knowledge.

After many improper and unsafe methods, and unlimited boobos which had the room filled with laughter and could have filled it with gas, Charlesworth called upon his assistant "Mike".

Mike turned out to be perky, petite Florence Needham of the Sales Office. Smartly dressed in a pink linen suit and carrying an overnight bag, Mike stepped to the demonstration platform, and while Charlesworth and Sig Sigurdson chattered across the room, Mike took the correct tools from her overnight bag, drilled the pipe, inserted the plug, capped the tee and put her tools back in the bag in just over two minutes.

In spite of the lesson in the ease and safety of using Mueller products, most of the salesmen pleaded that they needed Mike for an assistant, but the pert five-footer returned to her job in the Billing Department.

The meetings were primarily serious and ran in an orderly manner, thanks to the efforts of Sergeant-at-Arms Ray Fletcher, whose 6'6" frame was big enough to back up his demands. He levied fines for being late to meetings, disorderly conduct, smoking the wrong brand of cigarettes, wearing a white shirt or just plain being in the room.

Their post-meeting diversions, outside of talking shop, included card-playing, swimming, and twist lessons from the ex-professional dancer Jack Richardson. Jack alibied for his students by saying that they were handicapped because the only music was from a ukulele being strummed by Bert Pullen.

Then there was the incomparable Scotty Milne whose quick wit made him the center of every gathering or Ron Dagg who emptied the swimming pool as he appeared in a beach outfit from the turn of the century.

One salesman brought two friends with him who must have been very popular because nightly a number of fellows would huddle around them in the corner on the floor. This writer was never introduced to them but one was called Little Joe and they must have been from headquarters because Decatur was heard mentioned. They apparently discussed products and large orders because the Big 7-11 (must be a catalog number) was apparently shipped by rail because box-cars were heard in the same sentence. Everyone had something pertinent to add to the conversation as they all tried to make some important point. Some of the talk must have been rather vague and cryptic because someone often would ask, "What is your point?"

The point, however, is that the 1962 bi-annual sales seminar was called the biggest and best ever by the 50 Mueller persons and guests who participated in the recent session.

Planes Help Salesmen Cover Vast Territories in Provinces

A sales territory of 431,000 miles seems a little large for one man to cover; but it is being done at Mueller, Limited.

Twelve salesmen and a firm in Nova Scotia cover the gigantic sales territory of 3,610,000 square miles and the 18,000,000 persons who live in Canada.

John McClure, who covers Manitoba and Saskatchewan and its 431,000 square miles, often goes by air to main points and then rents a car to make his calls.

Fred Carter, who has the province of British Columbia, has about 350,000 square miles to cover.

In spite of this vast area, the average salesman travels a relatively small 14,000 to 21,000 miles a year.

How do 14 men cover such a territory? A brief glance at a map of Canada and a check of population patterns reveal how these few men are able to do such a job.

Much of the territory in northern Canada is wild, undeveloped and sprinkled with lakes.

Most of the population is located between the Canadian-U. S. border and 100 miles north.

The greatest concentrations of inhabitants are around Toronto and Montreal where 65 per cent of Canada's population can be found within 150 miles of each city.

Because of these concentrations nearly half of the outside sales force works out of these two cities.

The four salesmen who work in Quebec province, Louis Boulanger, Quebec; Martin Hardy, Art Hutchingame and Wilf St. Cyr, all of Montreal, are bilingual. Because of the predominant French population in their areas, they do most of their selling in French and with catalogs printed in French.

Because of the rugged travel conditions in the winter many activities are restricted, and being snowbound for days is a common occurrence for these chaps.

None of them, however, has traded in his automobile for a dog sled.



Heading the factory management team at Mueller, Limited are, from left: Carl Smith, Production Superintendent; L. Merlin Coates, Factory Manager, and Harry Dowding, Industrial Engineer.

Water, Gas, Plumbing Industries Served by Mueller, Ltd. Products

Mueller, Limited produces many of the same products that are manufactured at Los Angeles and Decatur but at the same time it makes two lines that are dissimilar to those produced anywhere in the Mueller organization.

It produces most of the ground key items and small machines for the water and gas lines that

are produced in the United States, but it also has a complete line of plumbing goods and solder fittings.

None of the Chattanooga line is produced in Sarnia, but a wide line of gate valves, tapping sleeves and inserting valves is maintained in stock.

About 450 catalog items are produced in Sarnia for the water and gas industries. These items include such products as corporation stops, LubOseal stops, curb stops, service fittings, tees, connections, and equipment, including the B machine.

The larger equipment, such as drilling machines and stopping equipment, comes from Decatur. Other items, the Oriseal valve for example, are assembled in Sarnia, while the components come from other Mueller plants.

In the plumbing line, there are 200 variations made from the general list of faucets, taps, tub and shower heads and controls, and flush valves.

The flush valves alone have dozens of variations which range from those used on fixtures on ships to those which flush by electric motors.

Another line of products peculiar to other Mueller plants is the Streamline fitting. Mueller, Limited catalogs about 3,000 of these brass solder fittings which consist of elbows, unions, couplings, tees and adapters for copper tubing used in refrigeration, plumbing and air conditioning installations.

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as special bronze valves used in the construction of various types of engines and winches for corvettes, frigates, destroyers and minesweepers. About 800 were employed on a 24-hour shift for the war products.

Regular products were only slightly curtailed by priority restrictions, since most of them were needed to build military installations.

The growth of Mueller, Limited like any company, isn't necessarily linked to dates, but is necessarily dependent upon people—employees and managers.

Excellent leadership in the persons of Oscar, Adolph, Philip, Robert, and Fred Mueller, sons of the Mueller Co. founder, F. L. Riggan and C. G. Heiby provided the initial groundwork for this 50-year-old organization.

Such employees as Henry Robertson, Carl Smith, Fred Payne, Robert Moore, Tupper Baldwin and John Tedder are employees whose many years of service have made the first 50 years possible.

Random Notes & Anecdotes

By Mary Lou Wheatley

There doesn't seem to be too much news for this period. At this writing everyone appears to be planning vacations. By the next issue we should have a report on some of these activities.

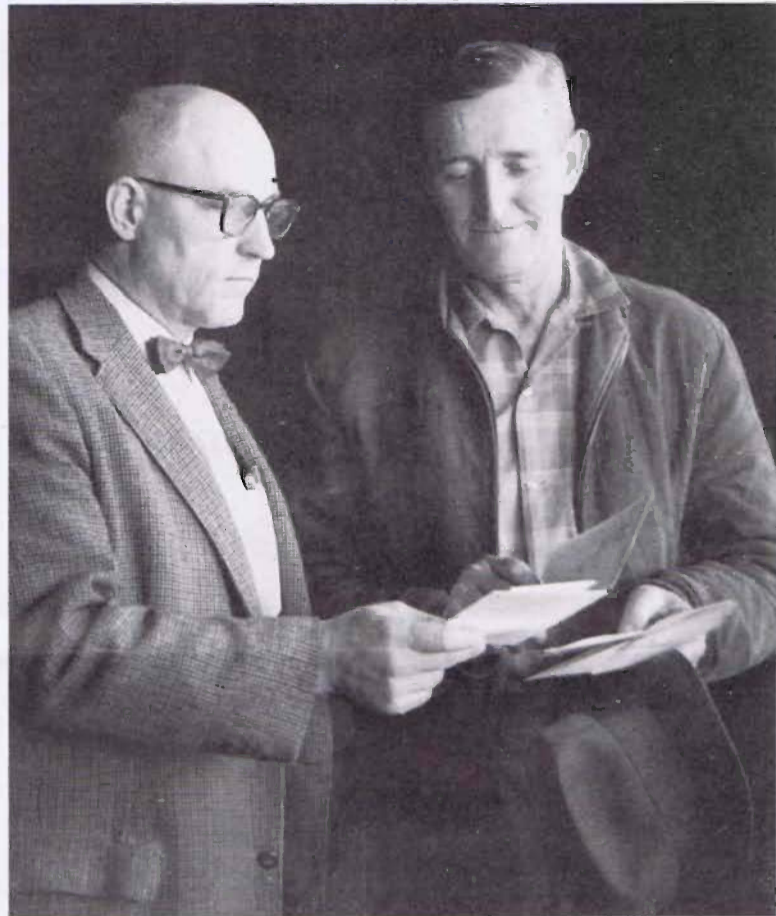
Ruth Brownlow and Leonard Wampler were married recently in the Central Christian Church in Decatur. Ruth works in Tool Engineering and Leonard works in Dept. 80.

On June 1, Raymond Donaldson and Marjorie Lois Prescott were married. Raymond works in Machine Repair.

We've had three new grandfathers on the scene recently. Julius Staudt, who retired recently as Traffic Manager, has a new granddaughter named Mary Sheryl who was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staudt.

Project Engineer Wally Gould is a grandfather again. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barnett are the parents of this little gal named Barbara Jo. She is their third child and second daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Frye presented Bob Jones (Tool Room) with another grandchild. David Kenneth is their third child and first boy.



James W. Workman (right) retired recently after more than 38 years with Mueller Co. Prior to his retirement he was Foundry Division Inspector. Looking over a card with Jim is Elmer Fawley, Quality Control Supervisor.

Plant 4 News

By Jennie McDaniel

I wonder who the Mueller Co. electrician is who goes fishing on a certain lake in Wisconsin and tells questionable fish stories and had problems with an electric toaster? This person borrowed a toaster from the manager of a fishing resort, and when he took it to the cabin he plugged it in but it didn't work. Being a skilled technician he was going to fix it. He took it apart but found everything in order; so he cleaned it, tightened the connections, plugged it in again, and with no luck. He took this "faulty" toaster back to the office; but, when they tried it there, it worked. The woman from the office took the toaster back to the cabin, and plugged it into an outlet and it worked again. It seems that this certain electrician, who handles 4,000 volts around Mueller Co., was plugging the toaster into an outlet for a telephone extension.

Some Mueller employees vacationing in Wisconsin recently were: Mr. and Mrs. Lefty Adams, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Pat Fonner, Elmer Fawley, Chuck Schroeder, Clarence Albert and Stan Ashby.

Betty Roe (Production Control) is back to work after a recent illness. George Anderson (Dept. 50) is also back after being away because of sickness.

Carroll Beck (Dept. 60) and Ruth Ann Barnes were married recently in the Christian Church in Herrick, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Baum and son, Forrest and family, recently visited Sacramento, Calif. Mrs. Baum works in Dept. 50, Marv is in Dept. 80 and Forrest is a Sales Trainee.

Charles and Mildred Johnson recently visited his mother in Hardinsburg, Ky. Mildred works in Dept. 50.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bain have had members of their family visiting from Rockford and Vandalia. Jack is Foreman in the Core Room.

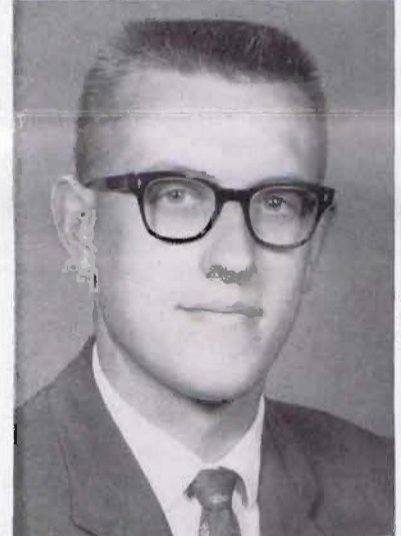
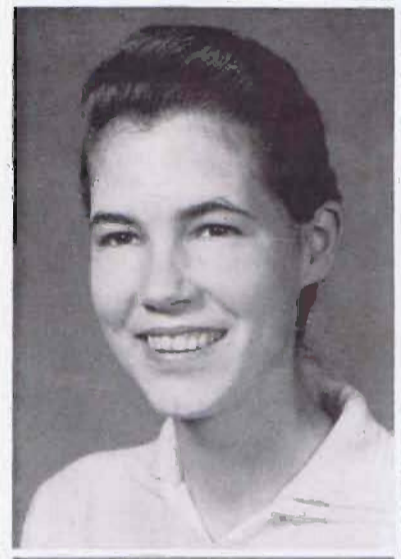
C. W. Murray Retires
Charles W. Murray, Inspector in the Iron Machine Shop at Plant 4, retired recently because of poor health. He worked at Mueller Co. more than 36 years.

DECATUR BIRTHS

A number of new arrivals have been welcomed into the homes of Decatur employees since the last issue. Congratulations to:

- Wendell McRobert's (Dept. 70), girl, April 19.
- Claude Markham (Dept. 64), girl, March 7.
- Harold Friend (Dept. 80), boy, March 4.
- Delmar Beeson (Dept. 70), girl, March 8.

- Walter Mitchell (Dept. 47), girl, March 24.
- John Johnson (Dept. 20), girl, April 11.
- Kenneth Moore (Dept. 47), girl, March 28.
- James Keown (Dept. 102), girl, April 19.
- Cecil Baker (Dept. 60), boy, April 20.
- Wayne Nichols (Dept. 90), boy, April 30.
- Ben Carter (Dept. 80), boy, May 26.
- James Grandon (Dept. 60), boy, June 7.
- Harold McDade (Dept. 60), girl, April 27.



Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Connors both graduated from Millikin University in June. Jerry received a B. S. degree in Business and Industry while his wife, Joy, majored in Education. Jerry is the son of Eldred Connors who works in Dept. 80.



Virgil Athey (left-center) receives a watch from Leo Kramer and fellow-workers at Plant 4. Mr. Athey retired recently after 39 years with Mueller Co. At the time of his retirement he was a lathe operator in Dept. 20.

SOME DECATUR GRADS.



RICHARD PARSONS
Eisenhower High
Paul F. Parsons, Dept. 103



PAM SIMS
MacArthur High
Laura-Nell Sims, Dept. 45



DAVID L. BROWN
MacArthur High
Charles L. Brown, Dept. 80



JOHN McLAUGHLIN
Bethany High
Harold McLaughlin, Dept. 60



JUDITH BURCHAM
Macon High
Henry Burcham, Dept. 70

SERVICE AWARDS

DECATUR

5 Years: Vernon H. Brunner, Jr., Phillip R. Tinsley*, Jane F. McDonald, Harold T. Small, Harold B. McLaughlin, Jim M. Milligan.

10 Years: Fred E. Dean, Robert L. Burdick.*

15 Years: J. Frank Kellett, Jesse C. White, Carl M. Stone, John Gubola, Ray M. Littrell, Floyd P. Howard, Robert L. Finch, Thomas L. Meece, Levi W. Green, Richard L. Ferrill, Dale E. Spires, Daniel J. Ryan, Joseph M. Parkinson, Harold E. Friend, Charles H. Taylor, Carl C. Wilhelm.

20 Years: Albert R. Griffith, Charles L. Girard, Scott M. Redmon, Eugene E. Gibbs, Ellis B. Adams, Floyd E. Huffman, Thomas J. Adams, Jr., Carl O. Smith.

25 Years: Fedora R. Tish.

35 Years: Charles Frank Walker, George C. Henne, Coy M. Butler, Carl I. Maurer, Frank H. Mueller.

40 Years: Julius A. Staudt, Milo M. Wright.

(*Salesman)

LOS ANGELES

10 Years: James Hambleton, John Yanez.

15 Years: Bernell Larson, Glenn Huff.

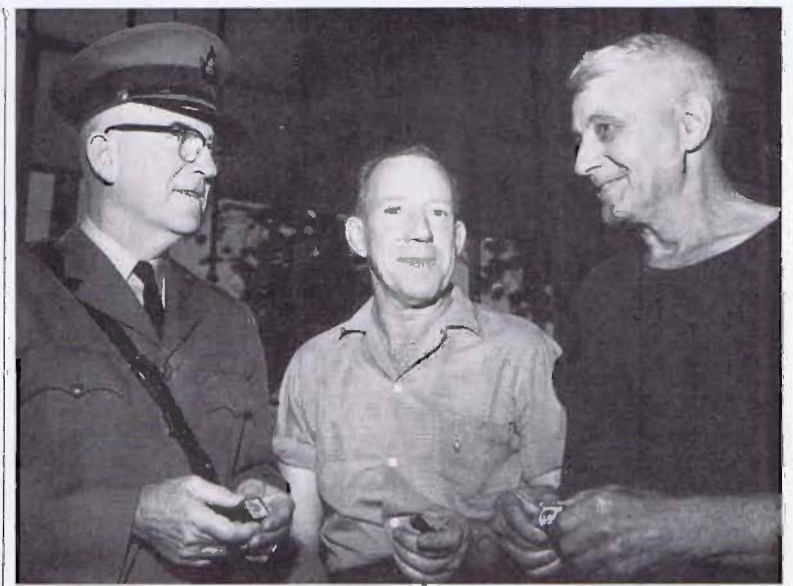
25 Years: John Royer.

NEW YORK OFFICE

35 Years: George W. Knipe.

CHATTANOOGA

5 Years: George D. Broick, James A. Carter, Willie W. Carter, Raymond V. Cutcher, James B. Davis, Charles W. Hassler, Jr., James M. Jackson, Joseph F. Levi, Ollie Malone, Ollie B. McCaulley, John G. Neal, Raymond H. Phillips, Cleveland T. Rogers, William E. Rodgers, J. C. Ruffin, Paul L. Sisk, Amos Sparks, Fred Sturdivant, Jr.,



One hundred years of Mueller, Limited experience are represented by these three men. From the left, are: Raymond Lambert, 45 years; Willis Dennis, 25 years, and John Kerrigan, 30 years.

Clint L. Thomas, Herman L. Walden, William Wilson, James Woods, Jr.

10 Years: William H. Holloway.

15 Years: Bernice R. Compton, John T. Harp, Junior A. Hicks.

20 Years: Otto Glass, Jr., Nelvin Conner, Robert E. Harris, Jack N. Malone, William Russell Miller, Sidney Porter, Jr., John L. Rice, Willard F. Riddle, Clifford Thornton.

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

SARNIA

5 Years: Bert Pullen, Wilf St. Cyr.

10 Years: Jack Richardson, Ron Dagg, Glenn Mitchell.

15 Years: Alex Elderbroom, James Slager, Myrtle Tricker, Charles Guthrie.

20 Years: Stanley Bell, G. Russell German, Margaret Connors, Erie Duggan, Maurice Bryan.

25 Years: William Turnbull, Willis Dennis.

30 Years: John Kerrigan.
35 Years: Mike Kozachuk, Harold Coates, Percy Knight.
40 Years: Gordon Geary.
45 Years: Raymond Lambert.



MILO (MIKE) WRIGHT
Decatur
40 Years



Frank H. Mueller, Vice President for Engineering, looks at the 35-year service pin he received from Mueller Co. President Albert G. Webber, Jr.



Thirty-five years of Mueller, Limited service are marked by this service award to Percy Knight (center). Factory Manager Merlin Coates (left) makes the award while Dept. 7 Foreman Gilbert Murray looks on.



William L. (Neil) Turnbull (center) receives his 25-year service award from L. M. Coates (left). On the right is Gilbert Murray, Foreman of Dept. 7 in Sarnia.



Mike Kozachuk (second from left) receives his 35-year service pin from Maurice Ryan, Night Shift Foreman. To Mike's right is Donald Crooks, Foreman, and Carl Smith, Production Superintendent at Mueller, Limited.



CHARLES FRANK WALKER
Decatur
35 Years



Two 25-year members of the Mueller Co. organization are Fedora R. Tish and Merle Fleckenstein.



GEORGE C. HENNE
Decatur
35 Years



CARL I. MAURER
Decatur
35 Years



GLENDAY FAYE HENRY
Red Bank High
James Henry, Machine Shop



WILLIE LEE TEEM
Gordon Lee High
Ben Teem, Machine Shop



JAMES RICHARD WILHOITE
Carson Newman College
Richard N. Wilhoite, Standards



ANNA ROSE SLATTON
Red Bank High
Paul Slatton, Iron Foundry



JIMMY MESEVICH
Central High
Alex J. Mesevich, Tool Room



WILLIE FLORENCE, JR.
Howard High
Willie Florence, Iron Foundry



PATRICIA SUGGS
East Ridge High
Early Suggs, Assembly



JUDITH DIANE WOOD
East Ridge High
Edd W. Wood, Maintenance



BILLINGS F. JONES
Hill High
Billings L. Jones, Assembly

**Chattanooga
Employees
Have 19
Graduates**



ALLEN L. PLEMONS
Chattanooga High
Kathryn Plemons, Office



JAMES E. KYLES
Howard High
Charlie Kyles, Iron Foundry



EDWARD V. PARHAM, JR.
Lakeview (Ga.) High
Edward V. Parham, Sr., Assembly



RUSSELL LOMNICK, JR.
Howard High
Russell Lomnick, Sr., Assembly



LARRY RHODES
Red Bank
Robert L. Rhodes, Engineering



BRENDA JUNE HIXON
Rossville (Ga.) High
John W. Hixon, Jr., Machine Shop



GLENN COOK, JR.
Howard High
Glenn Cook, Sr., Iron Foundry



ROY LEE MACK
Hill High
Norris Mack, Assembly



RAY McCLENDON
Whitwell High
Blutcher McClendon, Mach. Shop



NEVELY C. BASHAM
Rossville (Ga.) High
Thomas M. Basham, Assembly



KEVIN GALLAGHER
Eisenhower High
Mrs. May Inman, Dept. 45



GARY LEE BRUNNER
Cerro Gordo High
Bill Brunner, Tool Room



JOHN R. DENNIS
Eisenhower High
John C. Dennis, Office Services Mgr.



LYLE DEAN WOODARD
Tower Hill High
Lyle Woodard, Dept. 44



BEVERLY RUOT
Herrick High
Eugene Ruot, Dept. 32



KEITH E. ASHCRAFT
MacArthur High
Harold K. Ashcraft, Dept. 80



R. CARROLL SCHROLL
MacArthur High
Ray Schroll, Dept. 39



DENNIS CURRY
Mount Zion High
Floyd Curry, Dept. 70



SANDRA KAY MAXWELL
Lovington High
John E. Maxwell, Dept. 70



JERRI L. DEIBERT
MacArthur High
Herbert Deibert, Dept. 70

Best Wishes to Graduating Young Men and Women Of Decatur Employees



ROGER LEE ADAMS
Macon High
Tom Adams, Jr., Dept. 80



SHARON S. STARK
Stephen Decatur High
Edgar N. Stark, Dept. 70



SALLY BAKER
Stephen Decatur High
Hugh L. Baker, Catalog Dept.



RUTH ANN BARNES
Herrick High
Paul V. Barnes, Dept. 60



SYLVIA BECHTEL
MacArthur High
Jim Hosto, Plant Eng.



ALAN BUCKTA
MacArthur High
Maynard Buckta, Dept. 70



ROBERT JOHNSON
Macon High
Mildred Johnson, Dept. 50
Charles Johnson, Retired



DAVID DEAN SEXSON
Millikin University
Warren Sexson, Dept. 80

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Sitting side-by-side in Mr. Aitchison's comfortable living room, they sat and talked shop. They filled each other in on mutual friends' activities. There were plenty of "remember whens" sprinkled in to savor the chatter between two craftsmen who missed seeing each other on a daily basis.

Talking around an ever-present pipe, Al related the story of his hiring, complete in every detail. "I was going out to get a job at a nearby refinery but stopped at this construction job," he said. "A fellow by the name of C. G. Heiby was in charge and he told me I could have some work, but I told him I didn't want something for just a few days—I wanted something steady. He promised it would be and after 48 years with the company, I think he was right," Al chuckled.

"Mr. Heiby remembered my request for steady work because seven years later I asked for a day off and he refused because he wanted steady workmen," Al recalled.

Jack, who tops Al by five days on the old seniority lists, said they started to work for 20 cents an hour.

Molding was Jack's job before coming to Mueller. He said he didn't care for it and he happened on to the construction job. "I worked for most of a week before anyone asked my name," he remembered. "My job was putting windows in the building and after that was finished I did a number of odd jobs until they made me a patternmaker—the job I had when I retired 46 years later," Jack said.

Jack said he made about 80 per cent of the master patterns that the company has.



Mueller Co. and Local 838, Allied Industrial Workers, AFL-CIO in Decatur recently signed a new three-year contract. Seated clockwise around the table are: James Mulvaney, Nelson Hoffman, James Spain, Harold Angle, A. L. Sefton, Glen Burrows and William Kaigley. Standing are: C. H. Ashmore, union president; R. C. Reed, Assistant Personnel

Director in Decatur at that time, and C. E. Coffin, Personnel Director. Mr. Angle is the International Representative of AIW. Mr. Sefton was chairman of the group representing Mueller Co. which included Mr. Reed and Mr. Coffin. Mr. Hoffman was chairman of the union bargaining committee.

The little equipment and machinery the company had was run by gas engines, belts and pulleys. "In the early days 300 pieces was a mighty big order. Today you wonder where everything goes."

Neither man has any regrets about the lives they chose the past 50 years. Al said he had thoughts of becoming a fireman on the railroad but his wife opposed it so he forgot it. Jack said he had an ambition to work on the river, but he is content having a lovely home on the river bank where he can watch the traffic and wave to the crewmen.

Al worked as a machine operator, then was made foreman in the Brass Shop and was chief inspector at his retirement.

Both men confess that they still get up the same time they did for nearly 50 years. They take their own advice and keep active and busy and have hobbies. Al likes his garden while Jack keeps busy working in his yard.

They both agree that a man must prepare himself for retirement. "A man must realize that someday he is going to have to quit work, but he should never quit being active," they said.

These gentlemen are the only two retirees around who have seen Mueller, Limited through its first 50 years of success, but it is men like these and hundreds of others who have made it possible to begin the second half century of production.

Los Angeles Graduates



A 42-year career with Mueller Co. in Decatur ended recently with the retirement of Amos Reynolds. Mr. Reynolds, who was a tool sharpener in Dept. 20, worked for the company 42 years, 1 month and 13 days. He is shown with Leo Kramer (left) and Foreman Mike Wright (center).



CRAIG YOUNG
Mark Keppel High
Monterey Park, Calif.
Bill Young, Assembly

Plant 4 Teams Dominate Golf League Play

Plant 4 dominated the first round of the Mueller Golf League.

The three teams from Plant 4 finished 1, 2, and 3 with the Pattern Shop team winning the trophies and honors. The Pattern Shop crew edged out Otto Peake's Plant 4 team by 2½ points.

Members of the winning team captained by Jim Keown are:

- Charley Monroe
- Jim Fleckenstein
- Larry Phillip
- Pete Workman
- Walt Mitchell
- Verlyn Burnett

Tool Engrs. Win Bowling Championship

The Tool Engineers bowling team, leading the league since mid-November, won the Mueller Bowling League title recently.

Rolling at a steady pace from the beginning, the Tool Engineers edged out the Works Managers team which had won the loop crown the past two years.

Members of the winning team and their averages are: Dale Reidelberger, 181; Buddy Grossman, 169; Bert Flaughter, 169; Dale Wilkins, 166; Paul Hawbaker, 166, and Carl Hill, 156.

Works Managers team members and their averages are: Bill Leake, 181; Ed Turner, 178; Ted Suhomske, 168; Pres Ruthrauff, 166; George Deffenbaugh, 154, and Bob Taylor, 153.

FINAL STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost
Tool Engrs.	72	36
Works Mgrs.	65	43
Ground Key	57	51
Specialty	54	54
Pattern Shop	51½	56½
Iron Shop	51	57
Product Engrs.	51	57
Main Office	48½	59½
Brass Finishers	47	61
Plant 4	43	65

Bill Leake and Dale Reidelberger tied for the highest average score. Bill and Dale, with averages of 181, edged Ben Taylor who wound up the season with a 180 mark.

The top average bowlers are:

Leake	181
Reidelberger	181
Taylor	180
E. Turner	178
E. Nalefski	175
A. Degard	172
C. Girard	172
P. Workman	170
G. Hullinger	170

Last year's winner, Ed Nalefski who had a 186 average, dropped 11 pins below the 1961 mark.

Gene Gibbs' 263 game was the highest single game for the 108-game season while Reidelberger's 647 was the best three-game series.

The A.B.C. award for the most improved bowler went to Jim Smith of the Product Engineers team. Jim upped his average nine pins to 159.

Earl Diibeck, with a 659 series, won top money in the Mueller league sweepstakes. The next closest were Pete Macklin who had a 630, and Pres Ruthrauff who had a 628.

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