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Scovill Employees To Convert From White To Blue Cross

Conversion and Application Cards To Be Mailed Tomorrow

The conversion from the White Cross to the Blue Cross Hospital Plan, reported in *THE BULLETIN* of February 26 as scheduled for April, is getting under way for Scovill employees right away. Letters, literature and conversion cards are being mailed to every Main Plant employee tomorrow and distributed to Waterville employees in person. Present members of the White Cross Plan will receive orange colored cards which, when properly filled out, signed and returned to department representatives on or before Thursday, March 22, will transfer membership to the new and better Blue Cross Plan.

Employees who presently do not belong to the hospital plan will receive application cards. Those wishing to join the plan without waiting for special group requirements to be met should fill out and sign those cards and return them to their department representative by March 22.

In any case, whether or not you are a member and whether or not you

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Scovill Members Get \$295,572 Benefits

The first hospital plan in Scovill was organized in June, 1938 and since then the plan has paid more than \$295,572 to provide necessary hospital care for Scovillites and their family dependents.

Now in almost seven years the number of people who belong to the hospital plan has grown from the 2832 members, which it had in 1938, to approximately 12,000 members including family dependents, now enrolled.

Since the hospital plan first came to Scovill, there have been 6,600 hospital cases which makes a grand total of 50,955 days that patients were confined to the hospital.

These figures graphically show the growth of the hospital plan in Scovill. They also show that many Scovillites had to avail themselves of this service — a most beneficial service.

March 22nd Is Hospital Plan Deadline



That's the smile of confidence you'll wear when you and your family are enrolled in the Blue Cross Plan and the worry over the expense of hospital care leaves you. The Blue Cross is a bargain for anybody's money. And all the smart Scovillites will make sure they beat that March 22 deadline for joining.

Do You Belong?

If you now belong to the White Cross Hospital Plan, you must fill out and sign the orange-colored card you will receive in the mail (or in person if you work in Waterville Division) in order to continue to be covered.

You must get that signed card to your department representative on or before Thursday, March 22.

You cannot continue in the White Cross plan because the White Cross plan is no longer to be in existence. It's either the Blue Cross or none.

If you have family members you want to add to your own membership, be sure to fill out a special white "adding" card. Department representatives have them.

All Over--Always

The Blue Cross gives you complete hospital coverage in all hospitals all over the world. If you leave your job, you can continue your membership in another group or alone at a slightly higher cost. If you are unemployed for an extended period of time, you can collect full benefits for half the cost under certain fair-play conditions. Study the plan.

Don't You Belong?

If you do not belong to the hospital plan, you certainly will want to take this opportunity to join. Simply fill out and sign the buff-colored card you will receive in the mail (or in person at Waterville Division) and return the card to your department representative on or before Thursday, March 22.

If by any chance you still don't want to join the plan after reading about the many advantages, please sign the card on the back in the space provided. We want to be sure everyone has a chance to join.

Consider it carefully before you turn down this opportunity. You can't tell when you'll need the help.

Plant Attendance Good

Absenteeism for the week ending February 17 decreased 2.50 per cent, Plant average standing at 5.38 per cent.

Manufacturing stood at 6.46 per cent, a decrease of 2.28 per cent; Mills, 5.02 per cent, a decrease of .91 per cent; Service, 2.99 per cent, a decrease of 1.46 per cent.

Scovillites Give Red Cross \$10,000 Sum More Memberships Sought

A total of \$10,000 was contributed to the American Red Cross by Scovillites who took out membership in the organization during the first week of the Plant-wide drive.

The effort to clean up the campaign in the first week met with disappointing results as far as full scale participation was concerned, but the situation was considerably brightened by the fact that the money response was better than expectations for the number enrolled.

As *THE BULLETIN* went to press, solicitors were preparing to set out anew, last Friday, in an effort to increase Scovill enrollment in this worthy organization that is serving so distinguishedly on both the home and battle fronts.

The Scovill Red Cross War Fund Committee felt confident of the results.

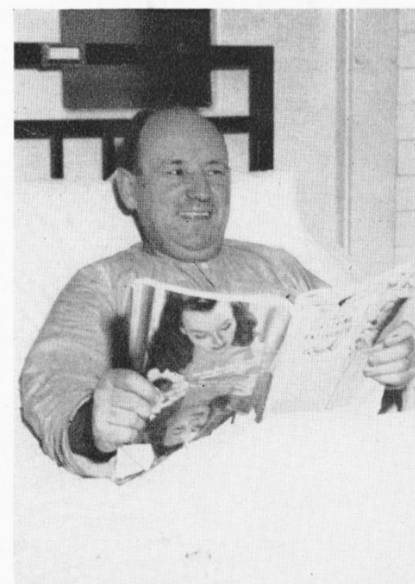
Adding New Members To The Blue Cross

In changing over from the White Cross plan to the Connecticut Blue Cross, only those dependents now enrolled under the White Cross contract may be included.

If, however, any Scovillite has an eligible family member he wishes enrolled in the Blue Cross he must fill out a special white adding card which can be obtained from his department representative.

The adding card explains when benefits begin for added members.

Sitting Pretty



Robert Calkins, Self Locking Nut Inspection, spent some time in the Waterbury Hospital. Going to the hospital is never any fun, but Bob found it mighty comforting to know that his hospitalization plan will greatly reduce the expenses involved. Thanks to the plan, Bob's sitting pretty.



Girls' Club Plans To Have Housewarming



Mollie Collins, Margaret Phelan and Lucy Guarvera, Chairman, of the Girls' Club Rooms Committee, will be in charge of the new home, which will be dedicated Thursday.

The new home of the Girls' Club will be officially opened and dedicated at a simple housewarming to be held at the new clubhouse, Thursday from 7 to 10 P. M., March 15.

The new quarters of the Club are located on Mill Street in the small house formerly occupied by the old Employment Office and more recently by Credit Union 1.

Council members will be on hand to greet the visitors and show them about. A small orchestra will furnish music. Refreshments will be served.

Scovill Girls Meet At Home Monday

Ethel Johnson, President of the Scovill Girls' Club, this week announced that the annual meeting of the Club will be held in the Club's Home, Monday evening, March 19.

Members from every department are urged to turn out in full in order to insure a wide range of representation on the Club's Council. Sixteen members will be elected to the Council at the meeting.

The SFA Cribbage Champ And Runner-Up



Charles Pulford, (left) Packing A, is 1944-45 SFA Cribbage Champion. His total individual score of 15,495 was only 41 points higher than Ralph Louis Silvernail, (right). The picture was taken at the close of the SFA Cribbage tournament. It was the best cribbage season for the club in 15 years.

St. Patrick's Dance At The SERA Center

The SERA is sponsoring a cabaret type dance for St. Patrick's Day at the SERA Center next Saturday evening from 8 to 12. Music will be furnished by Les Barber and Orchestra. Admittance is sixty cents. Refreshments will not be included.

Sandwiches and soft drinks will be available at the refreshment stand. Tables will be arranged around the hall for the convenience of the dancers.

SERA Choral Club To Elect Its Officers

Fifteen enthusiastic Scovillites attended last Wednesday's meeting of the Choral Club, held at the SERA Center.

Ken Tullar, musical director, met with the group and they discussed the type of music they would add to their library.

Officers will be elected at this Wednesday's meeting, March 14, and some decision will be made as to what the group will work toward. It is hoped that more men will come out.

Badminton Tourney

Rules and regulations governing the first annual Scovill Badminton Tournament to be held the week of March 26, were announced this week.

Entry blanks are being distributed. If you don't receive one you may secure it by contacting the Recreation Office. Entrance Fee is a quarter.

The tournament is divided into a group for beginners and for experienced players. There will be events in both divisions for Men and Women Singles, for Men, Women and Mixed Doubles. Register early.

SERA Will Enter 8 Teams In IRA Pinochle Contest

Eight two-player teams will be entered in the City-Wide Industrial Pinochle Tournament sponsored by the IRA, March 22, 26, and April 3. Persons interested should contact Recreation.

Sunday Parties Serve Recreational Need



The Scovill parties held at SERA Center Sunday evenings serve as recreational outlets for war workers and servicemen. The dance floor, the lounge, and game room are favorite spots for the party goers. The affair is open to all Scovillites. The Party lasts from 8 to 11 P. M. Pictures show how well they are attended.

Department Teams In Basketball Playoff

During the season employees of several departments have been working out informally at the SERA Center. Many of them have been playing basketball, preferring for the time not to have an organized league.

Now they have decided to compete for a Department Championship. Eight teams representing that number of departments have entered the list. An elimination tournament will be played the week of April 2, at the Center.

Scovill Dusty Hoopsters Battling For First Place

As we went to press last Thursday, the SERA Men's Basketball Team was in a three-way tie for first place with Waterbury Tool and U. S. Time.

They were scheduled to play a game yesterday with Waterbury Tool and the outcome was to decide if the Scovill men remain in first place or slide down to third position.

Support The Girls

SERA Girls' Basketball Team, which is now leading the league, will take on the hard-hitting U. S. Time Team at St. Joseph's Hall at 8:15 o'clock tomorrow night. Both teams are looking forward to this event, the third time the teams have met, each having won one game. Fans, this will be a real game! Come out and support our girls!

SERA Table Racketeers Down Prospect 10 To 8

In an exciting and hard-fought match at the SERA Center last Wednesday, the SERA Table Tennis Team defeated Prospect players by a score of ten matches to eight.

Results: Scovill, (singles), Exarhou 4, Longo 3, Kuba 1, Janes 0; Prospect, (singles), Williams 3, Skehan 2, Membrino 1, Mambruno 2. Longo and Exarhou defeated Skehan and Membrino in the doubles, to win the series.

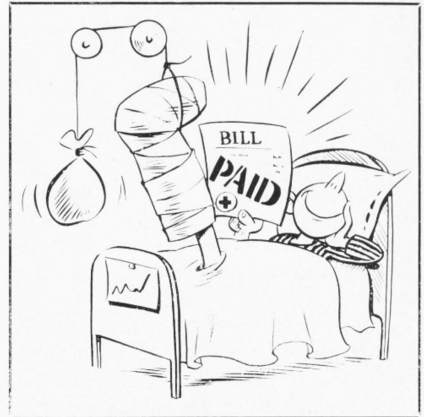
Bowling Tournament Coming Up April 28

2nd Annual Event At Sena's

Plans are being formulated for the Second Annual Bowling Tournament. The date for the affair which is of interest to the hundreds of Scovill bowlers has been set. It is Saturday, April 28.

Vincent (Chick) Toletti, vice-president of the SERA, who last year headed the Committee that conducted the highly successful tournament, has been chosen to fill that position again this year.

Entry blanks are being made up, and will be sent to all bowling league officials for distribution. There will be three classes for bowlers.



Bowling Notes

In the Girls' Dusty League, Scovill is leading by 14 games. Jean Ostroski is leading the averages with 112.8.

Button Eyelet is leading Reidville by 3 points in the Men's Inter-department Handicap League. Phil Ercoli is leading the averages with 113.22.

In the Girls' Inter-department League, Blueprint is leading Button Eyelet by 2 points. Peg Moriarty is leading the averages with 99.56.

Electrical is leading Chucking by 6 games in the Men's Inter-department League. Tony De Santis is leading the averages with 121.14.

Scovill men in the Dusty League took 2 games from French Manufacturing and are now in fourth place. Ted Salemi had high three of 404.



Pvt. Jerry LaMadeleine received the issue of *THE BULLETIN* with the railroad picture in it and wrote quite a letter about it. He says it is quite a familiar place to him and the tower looked real good to him. Also *Jerry* says he wishes to say thanks for "His Service Record." He says, "after the war I'll look at the book and say to myself, it was tough fighting but I had a lot of help."

Rodney DeLeon sent in a change of address and says "I look forward to receiving *THE BULLETIN* with as much eagerness as I have toward any other mail. The idea of inserting a picture of a familiar Waterbury landmark is excellent in my opinion."

Pvt. Lillian Thomas wrote us a letter from Camp Wheeler, Georgia with her address and she wants to hear from the gang in Chucking. So come on, gang, let's write to *Lillian*. Her address is *Pvt. Lillian L. Thomas, A-130966; WAC Det. Sta. Comp.; Camp Wheeler, Georgia.*

Around Italy

Hello Fellows:

Thanks more than I can say for mailing me *THE BULLETIN*. I would like to congratulate Scovill workers on the splendid job they are doing for the war effort. Here in Italy I feel quite confident that people on the home front are doing their job as well as we are over here.

Hello to the Grinding Room gang and my best to *Ruth Osborne*.

Frank Salvatore.

Dear Sir:

I am stationed somewhere in Italy. I enjoy reading *THE BULLETIN* and so do the rest of the guys in my company. Thanks again for sending it.

Willie Butler.

From France *Jerry DePietro* with a Seventh Army Group says, "always glad to hear news from the old place. *THE BULLETIN* was the first mail I got when I was placed with my unit."

Sgt. Massicotte Wins Bronze Star



Sergeant Arthur J. Massicotte, an electrician for one of the anti-aircraft gun batteries on Leyte Island, recently was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service. His dad, Arthur, works in the Pipe Shop and his mother, Mary, is employed in Automatic Screw Packing.

Pauline Semplenski Is Photo Colorist
Training Room Girl To Make Hobby Postwar Work



Pauline Semplenski of the Special Training Room is here pursuing her hobby of coloring photographs. In addition to painting photographs, both portraits and outdoor scenes, Pauline collects colored pictures from magazines. She has painted many portraits of fellow employees.

Pauline Semplenski, who is considered a top-notch among the grinders in the Special Training Room, has a flair for art.

Her hobby, which she hopes to make a full-time profession after the war, is photograph coloring. She says that "portrait painting" is a fascinating and gratifying occupation.

Pauline derives the creating thrill from her work of transforming a black-and-white photograph into one of natural coloring.

The skill of a trained artist is needed to impart life-like qualities to an ordinary photograph. Here the color must be applied in a precise and

exact amount with delicacy of touch. The work involves fine sense of colors as well as skill in producing and applying them.

Pauline, like her daughter Joyann, early exhibited a flair and talent for art. She recalled that her ability won her the title, "the best artist" in the classroom, an unofficial honor which carried with it the duties of doing the class poster work.

Chief among Pauline's interests is her five-year old daughter, a natural artist. Joyann is unusually skilled with a drawing pencil and paint brush.

It was about eight years ago that Pauline became interested in photography and took a course in the subject. Her interest centered about the possibilities of coloring pictures.

In 1941 Pauline studied coloring at the New York Institute of Photography. By intensive study, both by day and in the evenings, she completed the course in a single month.

Another part of her hobby is collecting colored pictures from magazines. Her collection fills four notebooks.

She has done "portrait painting" for a number of Scovillites many of whom have expressed themselves as "very well pleased."

Lacquer News

First Shift

By Adeline

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to *ROSE DONOVAN* on the loss of her brother.

Speedy recovery to *MRS. PINTER* who has been out due to illness.

ANNIE SPINELLI is out playing nurse maid to her husband who was discharged from St. Mary's hospital, Saturday.

MAE SPELLMAN, Lacquer Wash, loaned to Lacquer for a few weeks celebrated a birthday. *MAE* received many gifts and a cake from the girls but the best gift was "MOSSY," her husband, came home on furlough.

Second Shift

By Albina and Hedwig

JOSEPHINE was presented a cake Friday. Occasion — her birthday.

What's the story about the cow, *LORRAINE*? We didn't quite get it.

MATTY is ready to have the girls enroll in her "beauty course." Her first lesson is "correct way of applying lipstick." We're all for it, *MARTHA*.

We were glad to have with us *LEONA MARCAURELE* of the Loading Room. *LEONA* says she enjoys working with us and we can all say the same for her.

A. M. and *P. H.* are grieving the departure of two Denverites.

"I've Learned a Lesson I'll Never Forget" is being sung by *MRS. BURKE* who will always remember her lesson on wash days.

Glad to hear that *ESTHER*'s husband of the U. S. Army is recovering so rapidly after being hospitalized. Reason for this is a personal call from his wife to Fort Benning, Georgia.

Lynchburg Lines

From Lynchburg, Va.

Mr. D. W. COPELAND, District Sales Manager, has just returned to the office after an extended trip through Tennessee, Arkansas and Texas. He accompanied *MR. E. G. OVERTON* of the Atlanta Office.

While *MR. COPELAND* was away in Texas, *MR. BOB CAMERON* of High Point Overall Company dropped into the office for a visit. This concern has, incidentally, been a valued customer of Scovill for over thirty years.

MR. V. A. HEDBERG, Division Manager of the Screw Machine Products Division of Waterbury, was a recent visitor here. During his visit he made a trip through Eastern Virginia in company with *MR. COPELAND*.

Assembly Notes

By Rose And Agnes

ANN CURTIN and *GEN COLLINS* were solicitors for the Red Cross Drive. *NANCY CAVELLO* wore in her hand made sleeveless sweater.

We hear that it doesn't have to be icy to make *MARY AITCHISON* take a fall. *MAUREEN FAMIGLIETTI* is knitting a pair of mittens and she is doing fine for someone who is just a beginner.

Why does *CLARA DUNN* call *CHRIS FARRELL* the girl with the "wonder ball in bowling?"

Our sympathy to *IDA MICHAUD* on the recent death of her nephew *PVT. BOB TESSIER*.

CHICK SULLIVAN is quite a basketball fan. He attends all basketball games, even the ones played out of town. We are sorry to hear that *JO MAYO* is ill.

ANN SHANAHAN is all set for the Easter Parade with her new outfit.

MADELINE SOLURY makes quite a picture with her upswept hairdo.

BID CLUNEY contributed to the Sunshine Fund upon losing her badge recently.

Is it true that *BILL MEEHAN* drinks nothing but soda lately?

Button Tool News

By M. and E.

Congratulations to *FRED TROSKE, JR.* and the *MRS.* on the birth of a baby girl, born Tuesday, February 27.

Good luck is sent to *EDWARD CONNELL* in his new venture.

Sorry to hear about the accidents *MARTIN POST* and *BILL FIDUK* had. Hope you are both back with us soon.

FRANCES BLAKE also had an accident trying to cook her breakfast Sunday. Results: a burned hand. Here's hoping she never tries tackling a full course meal.

Birthday wishes are sent to *ERNEST HOWD* for March 8.

Across Seven Times



Larry Voghel, left, worked in Case 4 and is now in the Pacific. His father, Hilaire, works in Oil Reclaiming and his sister Margaret works in Duplicating. Larry has been across seven times.

Fuse Assembly

First Shift

By Double "U"

ELLA WELTON's corporal came home March 4 on furlough.

VERA ZUBIC is a welcome addition to our timekeeping force.

WILLIAM (CHESHIRE) DANIELS was seventy-three years young on March 6.

What is that strange power that *GEORGE THOMAS* has over women. Could it be that mask he wears?

MARY FOLEY sure knows how to throw those chocolate cream pies together.

MADELINE MURRAY came in last week with a beautiful sparkler on the third finger left. Yes, it is official.

ANNE JOHNSON had a birthday March 4.

Ditto *CARL COPELAND*'s daughter, eight years old March 11.

BETTY MCCARTHY, Room 1, has a birthday coming up March 15.

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How Can You Do It Better?

There is one moral, legal and humane responsibility each of us has, a responsibility none of us can duck. That is to provide for ourselves and our families to the absolute limit of our capabilities. Food, shelter and clothing are the basic requirements. There are others. And among those is proper medical care.

More than any other single item, sickness can wreck a family's finances suddenly, completely and permanently. When it's the breadwinner who gets sick, the chaos is all the more severe.

There exists for Scovill employees — all of them, regardless of age or condition of their health — an opportunity to provide for much of the financial burden of illness for themselves and their families. That is the new Connecticut Hospital Service or "Blue Cross" plan which is soon to be put into effect in Scovill to replace the "White Cross" plan to which some 5,000 employees have seen fit to belong.

Literature is being mailed to the homes of all employees, hospital plan members and non-members. It contains full information. Conversion to the new plan is simple; joining for new members is just as simple. The cost considered against the benefits is negligible.

The Blue Cross plan is judged the best plan available to any group. It provides financial coverage for practically all the hospital expenses that might face you any day without warning. You cannot afford to be without it. Few of us can afford the expenses of illness without the coverage the Blue Cross plan gives.

Payment for membership could not be made easier. Payroll deduction is the painless method; it is the positive method. And you positively want to be covered.

Before you decide that you do not want the plan, look over your situation carefully. Are you in a position to absorb hospital expenses if you or someone depending on you should be victim of a sudden operation? Are you able to assume your responsibilities without the help of the Blue Cross? Can you do it without making yourself or your near ones suffer dangerous delay when illness strikes?

The Blue Cross makes it possible for you to have prompt and effective hospital care as soon as you need it.

How can you do it better?

Pretty Rose Ann



Rose Ann is the six year old daughter of Rose Violet Montambault, formerly of Fastener Packing Room. Her dad works in Chucking and her grandfather in Waterville.

Training Course

The following have been assigned to the General Training Course during the week of February 26, 1945.

William Mahoney and Lloyd Walker were both assigned to the Automatic Screw Machine Department.

Thursday Is Income Tax Deadline Day

The Internal Revenue Office at 17 Leavenworth Street will be open to assist you in making your Income Tax returns from 8:30 in the morning until six o'clock in the evening every day this week except Thursday, the last day you can make your returns, when it will be open from 8:30 in the morning until midnight.

But don't wait until the last day. Make your returns right away. Time's a-wastin'.



In Numbers There Is Better Protection

Blue Cross Pays 2 Million Dollars Annually For Hospital Care

In numbers there is strength, has a new meaning for more than 450,000 employees of industrial and business firms in the State of Connecticut who are enrolled in the Connecticut Hospital Service plan.

The Connecticut Blue Cross is paying hospital bills amounting to \$2,000,000 annually for subscribers and their family dependents. This amount of money would represent considerable hardships on the beneficiaries had they paid it out in individual hospital bills. However, it is no hardship when paid in the form of monthly insurance payments through the Blue Cross.

It is not only in Connecticut that the working men and women have turned to voluntary non-profit group effort to solve the problem of hospital expense for those among them who may be stricken with the need for hospitalization. There are some 16,500,000 members in 81 Blue Cross or similar plans throughout the United States and Canada.

Some 10,000 additional persons sign

Signs Of The Times

How hard the cigarette shortage is hitting some people is indicated by these stern masculine words heard at the last SERA Center Sunday night party:

"The next time you come on a date — bring your own cigarettes!"

Old Timers' Sick List

Silvio Di Rito, Blanking Room, is out this week due to illness.

Julius Pudim, Chucking Department; Canio Di Rita, Dip Room; and James R. Shea, Automatic Screw Machine Department, are all back to work after short illnesses.

up every day for membership in Blue Cross plans.

All Scovillites are invited to join the Connecticut Blue Cross which is superceding the old White Cross, offering much superior service at a slightly higher cost.

If you are a member of the White Cross at Scovill, why not sign the transfer cards that will be distributed this week. All Cards must be in by March 22 to make the transfer, which become effective June 1.

If you do not belong to any plan now, make application to become a Blue Cross member and gain the protection against the risk of a burden of hospital expenses.

Bring In Gas Slips!



J. Paul Martin, Wire Mill, renews his application for a B-book. Peggy Cosgrove of Employee Relations Reception Desk helps. Peggy points out that applications must be filed from ten days to two weeks before the old books run out, and that mileage ration slips must be filed.



Don't Forget That Second Seed Flat

Those of you who have your seeds started in indoor flats can't sit back now and relax. It's time to get your second flats in order and the dirt sifted and readied to take the seedlings after they have developed their second leaves. When the time comes to give the roots a good start and to harden up the seedlings in the second flats, be sure to leave about two inches in every direction around the little plants.

THE BULLETIN has some gardening booklets. If you want one, stop in.

Red Cross Busy On The Home And The War Fronts

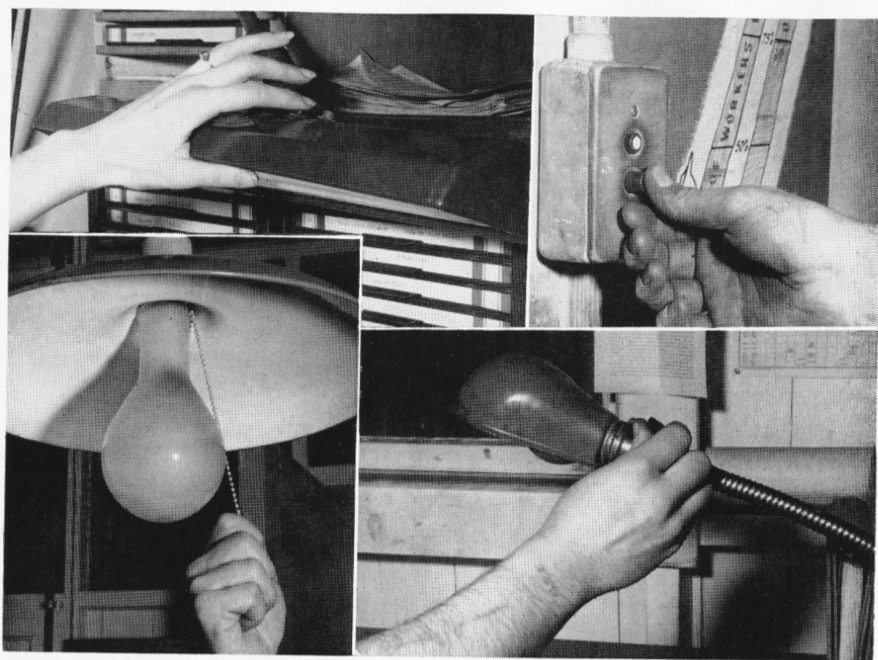
In addition to its work in conjunction with the War, the Waterbury Chapter of the American Red Cross must stand ready to administer disaster relief in event of a great fire, flood, explosion or other calamity.

Two hundred specially trained Red Cross personnel are ready to meet such emergencies that may arise.

During 1944 some 400 additional persons were trained in Red Cross First Aid Courses, and 500 in Home Nursing. Since Pearl Harbor 529 volunteer Nurse's Aides have been trained and capped by the Red Cross.

Hands On The Switches For Fuel Savings

Turning Off Unused Lights And Motors Important Now



This composite picture of hands reaching for light switches illustrates a very important point in the conservation of fuel at Scovill. With Mother Nature providing more and more daylight in the mornings, there grows an increasing need to watch out for and to extinguish lights when they are no longer needed. Neglect of this matter causes waste of fuel when we are facing a great coal shortage.

Now, with the growing need for even greater coal and fuel oil conservation than in the past, is the time to burn only sufficient lights to get the job done efficiently and to avoid eye strain. This end can be served by the simple matter of turning off electric lights when they are not needed.

Some employees often forget to switch off the lights after sufficient daylight is available. In one instance this forgetfulness is a very small matter to say the least. But multiply it by a hundred times, by a hundred hours and then by a hundred days — and you will understand why the Power House is concerned with the burning of these unneeded lights.

Fuel is a critical item and an even greater shortage than has existed in the last two years looms for next year. Every thing you can do to conserve it should be done. Please turn off those lights.

Does Your Recreation Diet Serve You Well?

Health is a state of perfect balance, a balance of physical and emotional equilibrium. When work is balanced by play, exercise by rest, effort by sleep, then body and mind function normally.

All of which leads to the admonition: Watch your recreation diet.

A balanced program of play activities will add to your years, and add zest and satisfaction to the years you do live. Play wisely and live long and richly.

But don't just be a big muscle man, or aim at being a star at sports. Play for the fun of playing which includes doing your best. Cultivate a hobby for relaxation and personal satisfaction. Learn to make things — satisfy what is called "hand hunger."

The SERA Center offers many opportunities for playing for the fun, and there is competition available, too, if you seek that. There are badminton and ping pong, dancing and other activities; and there are the play room and the lounge. Why not include the Center and its activities in your personal recreation program.

Your Hospital Plan Is Non-Profit Organization

The Connecticut Blue Cross is a non-profit organization. Its Board of Directors serves without pay in the interest of member communities. All activities of the plan are under the supervision of the State Insurance Department.

This is what currently happens to each dollar you pay in to it.

Eighty cents is spent to pay current hospital bills for Blue Cross members.

Only eight cents is spent to operate the plan.

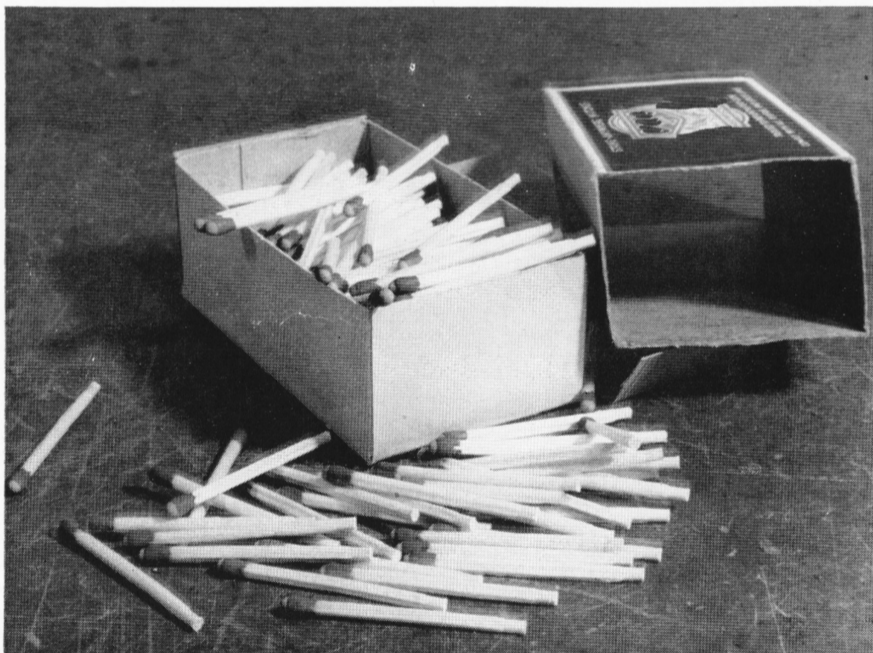
Twelve cents is put into the reserve to provide for emergencies and to guarantee the strong financial structure of the plan.

The Man With The Hoe Prepares To Use It



Bob Aitchison, of the Plant Protection Department, is filing a cutting edge on his favorite hoe in preparation for the 1945 gardening season. Now is the time to get the tools ready for the forthcoming season.

Coming Up - - The Match Problem



You will be using more and more of these for lighting your smokes. Why? Because the safety match is becoming scarce. The military has taken all the penny-box matches and thirty-five per cent of the paper folder type. So smokers will be carrying the "old-style" kitchen matches in their pockets. Needless to say these should be handled with great care.

The old-fashioned type match is coming back into common use by smokers; and coming with them is the greater element of danger than existed with the safety match, most of which are now going to war.

For your own safety observe the following rules in using the kitchen match: Watch out for flaming heads which fly off when the match is carelessly struck; be sure the match is completely out before throwing it away, better yet drop it carefully where it cannot start fires; never throw match stems into pans, barrels or boxes which are used for work or material. Never throw them in wastepaper baskets. Have plenty of receptacles around your smoking area — and use them. Instead of carrying loose matches carry them in a metal container.

Horsepower Was Just That In Scovill's Early Days

Some people remember when trucks took the place of horses at Scovill. But back in the 1800's horses did supply the power for turning the rolls — which were two inches wide and two inches in diameter — for finishing button brass.

In those days the founding company took the elements of brass to be cast and rough rolled at an iron mill in Litchfield. Final rolling was done in our shop by horsepower.

Horses were supplanted by water power in 1808, which gave way to steam engines in 1850. Today 500 horsepower motors turn our huge rolls.

Mae Brennan Gets Scovill Service Pin



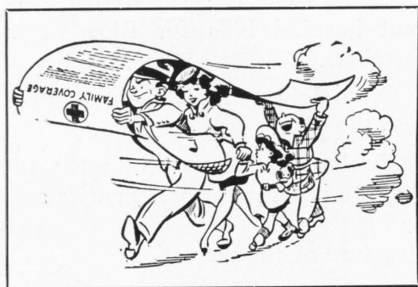
MAE BRENNAN, a packer and inspector in the Radio Room, who first came to Scovill on March 21, 1911, and whose continuous service officially dates back to October 11, 1916, last Tuesday received her Twenty-Five Year Pin from Factory Superintendent William M. Black.

"Scovill's always been my home," says Mae, "I could never get used to any other place."

She has worked mostly as an inspector and packer in the Trim and Knurl, Assembly, Burner, Cosmetic Container and Radio departments.

Mae is a splendid worker, states her Foreman, Ernie Moeller. She is very friendly and cooperative and for these traits is well-liked by her fellow employees.

Mae's sister Mrs. Della Keating is an inspector for the Government working at Scovill.



North Mill News

By Scotty Surgener

HAROLD ZINNO and CARL ANDERSON who have sent letters from overseas wish to be remembered to the gang on the first shift.

We now have a master cigarette roller on the second shift who takes great pride in showing how good they are. What about RICHARD Y?

ANN, we in the Mill wish you the very best.

JERRY WHEELER, who is pretty sure of himself on any subject, met his Waterloo this past Saturday. Afraid of breaking the camera, JERRY?

Well boys, doesn't our No. Two scale girl look very well with her new hair-do?

We of the first shift understand that the two "BILLS" — CLEARY, JR. and DAVIES have a new theme song — not so good.

FRENCHY came in to see us Friday after fighting off pneumonia. Glad to see you back, FRENCHY.

We welcome our new promise chaser and checker from the Dry Out section on the first shift.

Who is the gentleman in the Mill that believes in "an apple a day keeps JULIUS' troubles away?"

JOSEPH KENNY has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity in performance of duties. We of the Mill want to congratulate you, JOE.

Connecticut Blue Cross Questions And Answers

1. Q. Is there any age limit for joining?
A. No. Connecticut Blue Cross has no age limit — Regardless of how young or how old you are, you may enroll provided you are a regular employee.
2. Q. Is a medical examination or any statement regarding health condition required when enrolling?
A. No. There is no medical examination, nor are there any health restrictions.
3. Q. Will each enrolled member on my application be entitled to the same benefits that I am?
A. Yes. You and each enrolled family member will be entitled to a separate 21 days (three weeks) of benefits as listed in the Blue Cross Folder plus 90 additional days at 50% benefit.
4. Q. How do I pay my membership fees?
A. Your employer will handle your membership fees by the Payroll Deduction Method.
5. Q. May I include my MOTHER, FATHER, SISTER, OR BROTHER on my application?
A. No. Eligible family members are your wife or husband and all unmarried children under age 19. (Enrollment of Mothers, Fathers, Sisters, and Brothers was discontinued as of August 1, 1940.)
6. Q. Must I include my husband on my membership?
A. Yes — Unless you are separated or if your husband is in Military Service. If you have been separated for at least six months, fill out form MD-9 in addition to the application card. If your husband is in Military Service and you do not wish to include him on your membership, insert his induction date on the face of the application. (Please see Answer No. 11 regarding maternity coverage.)
7. Q. May my child continue membership after he (or she) is dropped from my contract due to attainment of age 19 or marriage?
A. Yes. Connecticut Blue Cross will provide an opportunity for your child to continue membership as an Individual Subscriber regardless of employment status.
8. Q. May I continue my membership if I leave my job?
A. Yes.
(a) If next employed by one of the 3,000 firms whose employees are participating in Connecticut Blue Cross, you may transfer your membership to that firm.
(b) If not so employed, you may continue your membership by making payments directly to the Blue Cross Office at a slightly increased rate.
- (c) If you become unemployed, you may continue your membership with full benefits by paying only one-half the regular group rate for a maximum period of six months each year. (See Benefit Folder for full details.)
9. Q. Is Connecticut Blue Cross good outside of Connecticut?
A. Yes. You would be entitled to non-member hospital benefits as explained in the Blue Cross Benefit Folder under the heading "Good Anywhere."
10. Q. Am I entitled to benefits for maternity care or for conditions resulting from pregnancy if I am enrolled under a Type A (individual) membership?
A. No. This coverage is available only under Husband and Wife, and Family Memberships. (See Answer No. 11 for exception for enrolled female whose husband is in Military Service.)
11. Q. My husband is in Military Service and, therefore, I did not include him on my membership. Am I entitled to benefits for maternity care or for conditions resulting from pregnancy?
A. Yes, provided you have held continuous membership in White Cross and/or Connecticut Blue Cross for at least 12 months. Maternity coverage will still be available to you after your husband's discharge from Military Service provided he is added to your membership within 90 days of the date of his discharge from Service.

Special Training

First Shift

By Chris and Jean

A hearty welcome to BARBARA SCHWARZENBERG formerly of the second shift. Hope you like it here, BABS!

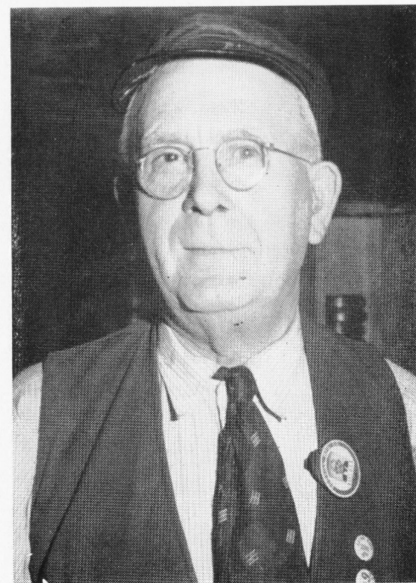
Here's a cheery hello to the shut-ins of our department; BETTY PIERPONT, BETTY LOU WHITLEY, ALICE NOLAN and RUBY CONROY. Hurry and get well again, girls.

Our correspondence of the week includes a letter from JOHN PYATT S 1/c, our former instructor, and a card from HELEN MEDHURST.

Is there anything behind the card that LAURETTA ROBERTS received this past week? Come on, LAURETTA, let us in on it.

Birthday greetings to JOAN PRANULIS on March 17 and EVERETT THORN on March 18.

Martin E. Stack Has Produced Many Ideas



Although Martin E. Stack, floorman in the Wire Mill is 68 years old, and has passed one-half of his life at Scovill, he is, according to his foremen, full of young ideas to expedite production. He has suggested many improvements, and whenever he gets an idea he presents it.

Hats off to Martin Stack, floorman in the Wire Mill! Martin rates a place among the most faithful and conscientious Scovillites. For thirty four years, come September 9, Martin has worked in the Wire Mill. During his length of service he recalls being late for work but two times. That was before the war.

He never takes a day off and has lost time only as the result of two industrial accidents. For years he was an annealer in the Wire Mill, but more recently has been working as a floorman on the second shift.

Martin and his wife have reared three children. His children, one of whom is Julia in the Billing office, know him as a good husband and father, doing all within his power to insure the welfare and happiness of his family.

Plating Room Employee Placed On Retired List

Michael Phalen, formerly of the Plating Room, was placed on the special retirement list effective February 25, 1945.

Michael spent his over half-a-century of Scovill service in the Plating Room, coming to Scovill July 1, 1893 in the Benzine Department, then a part of Plating. His last job in the Department was that of rack maker.

Frank Tutolo, Mike's foreman, said of him, "He was a very steady worker and conscientious."

Ten-Year Service Awards

The following employees have received their ten-year service award pins for continuous service.

Irvin N. Howard, Chicago Office; and Walter Matulas, Wire Mill; as of March 4. Angie M. Gemino, Chucking; and Roger LaVigne, Traffic Office; as of March 5.

From Lynchburg

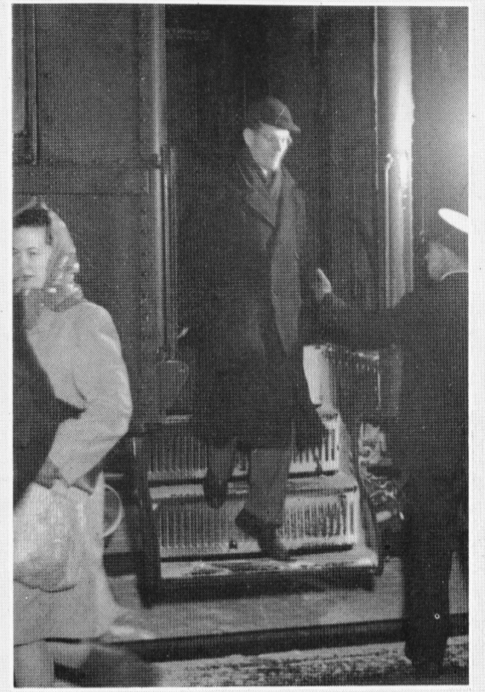
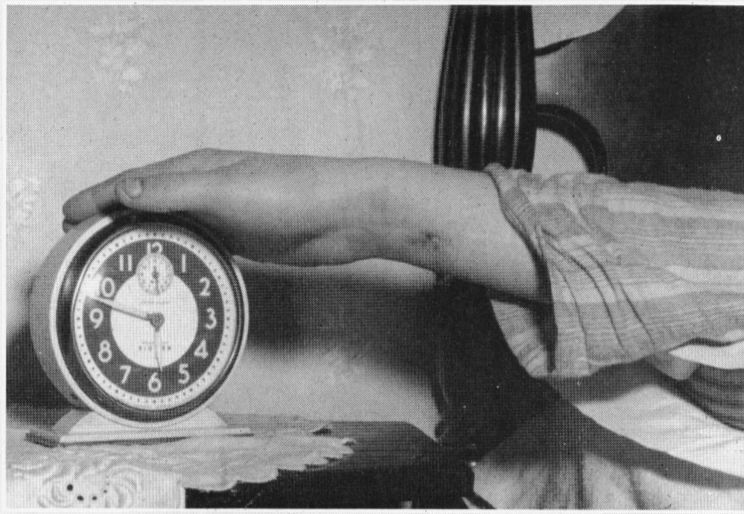
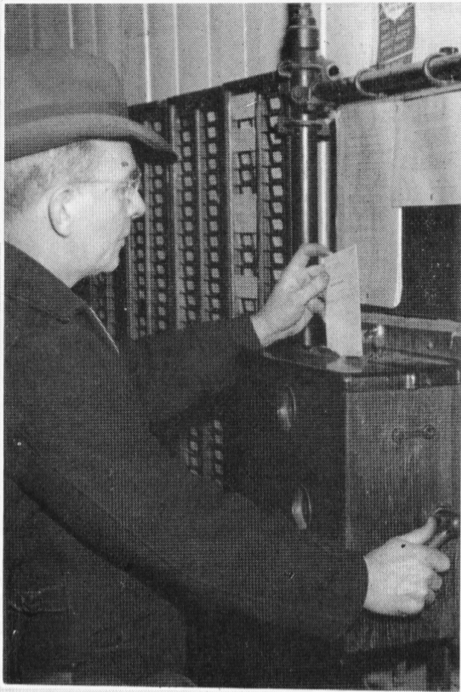
Mr. David Duncan was presented on March 2, a certificate and silver pin for ten years of service to the Scovill Company. Mr. D. W. Cope-land, District Sales Manager, made the presentation.

Red Cross Solicitors Meet Before Drive

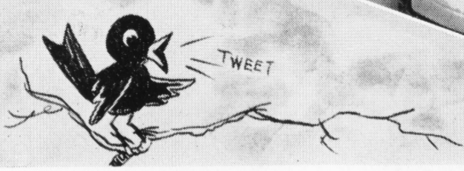
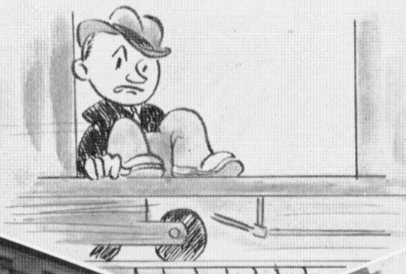
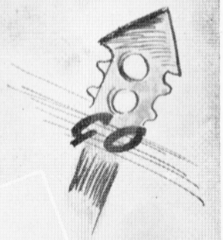
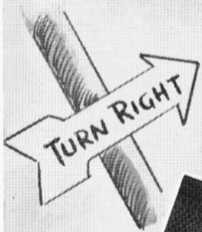


Just before the opening of the Red Cross Membership Drive at Scovill Friday, March 2, the solicitors and Drive Committeemen ate a hearty dinner at the Hotel Elton and mapped final plans for the membership campaign. Here is a shot of the diners at their tables during the speech making.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO SCOVILL!



EVERY WORKING DAY OF THE YEAR FINDS SCOVILLITES RISING EARLY AND WENDING THEIR VARIOUS WAYS TO WORK. FROM ALL SECTIONS OF TOWN, AND OUT OF TOWN, THEY COME. THEY WALK, RIDE BUSES, BIKES AND TRAINS, SHARE CARS, TO "RING" IN ON TIME FOR WORK AT SCOVILL.



George LaPointe Is Not Keyhole Scribe



Regardless of what the picture says, George LaPointe, instructor of grinding in the Milling and Grinding Room, is not a peep hole reporter. George is one of the original BULLETIN scribes.

Although George LaPointe, THE BULLETIN reporter in Milling and Grinding, posed with his eyes to the keyhole, he is really not that kind of a reporter, he assures us.

He gets his news by letting his fellow workers know that he is looking for it, and by having them pass the word along. George is a sports fan and player; his favorite activities being basketball and skiing. He is married and lives in Cheshire.

East Machine Room

By John Moriarty

Congratulations to MR. and MRS. STEVE PONZILLO on the birth of a son. The blessed event took place March 4.

We are sorry to see BILL DOWLING out on the sick list. Hope you're back on the job when you receive this, BILL.

We thank DOT for writing the column last week while your reporter was out ill.

BILL McCASLAND and BILL PARSONS say it will soon be time to start planting.

Belated birthday greetings to BEN BLAKE March 3 and TONY DeLALLO the 15th.

Loading Room

First Shift 23-5

By Frances Pentino

We gave a farewell party for the boys and girls from Denver. They promised us some stiff competition.

The girls surprised TRUDY SHUGDINIS and ANN NAPIELLO with birthday parties

VIRGINIA SMITH celebrated her twenty-first birthday recently.

CHARLES CIARCIA, JR. rated a few days leave from Sampson. CHARLIE dropped in to say hello to the old gang.

We welcome two new girls; PRISCILLA COSTA and FRANCES BANEVICH.

First Shift 71-5

By Della Moriarty

PHYLLIS DIGIMAS slipped and broke her wrist in the kitchen of her home. Hope you'll be back soon, PHIL.

ANN MULHERN thanks the girls for the lovely gift.

Glad to hear MARY SNIDER threw her crutches away and is coming to work soon.

Deepest sympathy to EVERETT MELLON on the loss of his nephew CPL. CHARLES INGRAHAM who was killed in action.

CHRISTINE CARROL's son is home on furlough from the Pacific.

Grinding Room Grins

First and Second Shifts

By George LaPointe

PVT. IRWIN JOSEPHthal who is now in France tells of a middle class of people who seem to be missing and he thinks that they're probably in Germany.

GEORGE OLDAKOWSKI S 2/C V-Mails in from the British Isles to send his regards and would like the gang to send him a line.

During the last big snowstorm JACK MOHRMANN carried a flexible flyer sled in the back of his car to get back in case he got stuck, I guess.

After working on his house for the past three years and just about getting it finished, MARTY HANSON is hearing stories about the new airport that might be built plump in the middle of his living room.

Farewell to EVELYNNE FORSMAN who has left us for her home town of Worcester.

MICHAEL ANGELO, the great painter, had nothing on us, no sir-ree. You should see JEAN BALLARD, ERNIE BENSON and ANITA CROSS toss that stuff around.

THOMAS MORRISON, JR. SM 1/C who is now in Florida on the U.S.S. Traio calls his duties a picnic after spending twenty-three months in Iceland.

Birthday greetings to our headman CARL ANDERSON who celebrated his natal date March 5.

Case 5 News

By Gloria and Jimmie

Welcome back to JOE TARTAGLIA and MARION REYAUSSLOS who have been ill for a couple of months.

Welcome from Case 5 to CONCETTA CEDELA and ANNA VETA who came from Press 1.

Seen around hunting talent was JOHN TEDESCO. Were you a boy scout, JOHN?

Seen around the local cemeteries was RAY (DIGGER) GRILLEY. Are you trying to find a spot for JIMMY SERENDI?

LEO, why don't you give up smoking and keep the boys in Case 5 happy?

Our Case Shop Show is certainly coming around in fine style.

Plating Room Tidbits

By Tem and Til

At last, news to make headlines. CHARLIE and LEFTY have smoked the pipe of peace. May your renewed friendship be of long duration.

THELMA won the chocolates from B. J., but who ate them remains a mystery. She didn't have a chance against the practical joker of the Plating Room.

The witty cards received by some of us from an unknown sender brought forth many hearty laughs. Thanks anyway, whoever you are.

A letter from EDDIE O'DONNELL, a former timekeeper in this room informs us he is in France. One from TOMMY DOYLE, also a timekeeper, tells us he is in England. Good luck, boys, we hope to see you soon.

Fuse Assembly

Second Shift

By Olive Plumb

MARY GAUGHAN and daughter EVELYN are taking a ten day trip to Detroit.

LUCILLE POOLE of the tapping battery celebrated her birthday March 3. She received a beautiful purse and birthday cake from her co-workers.

JULIA MANTINKO is recuperating at her home after an operation.

PEGGY DADDONA's boyfriend, SGT. CHRIS MANZO, has just returned to Camp Gordon after spending his furlough here.

MARGARET MARTINO was very pleased to have her two brothers home for the week end; PVT. PHILIP IANNUCCI having been wounded in France has been discharged and JOHN F 1/C of the Navy.

ACE EL became the bride of ROLAND WILLIAMS Sunday, March 4. ACE looked very pretty in her Alice Blue taffeta gown wearing a corsage of white orchids.

MARY BECKETT and daughter, WINNIE, spent the weekend in New York City.

Hot Forge And Chucking Have Visitors



Pvt. Robert Shore and Cpl. Peter (Teddy) Greggis paid a visit to Chucking. Bob was an operator and is now at Fort Meade and Teddy is an instructor at Camp Blanding, Florida. He was a toolsetter here. Bottom, Pvt. William Asevica visited Hot Forge. He is stationed at Camp Wheeler.

Closing Room

Closing Machine Section

By Rosine

We bid adieu to MARY STOLFI and DAN LUSCIANO who have left us.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to MARY ROZDELSKI on the loss of her brother who died in action February 5.

A late but hearty welcome to our very nice timekeeper MARGARET KOVAL.

LILLIAN CYR certainly was surprised recently when the girls surprised her with a lovely birthday cake.

Tack Section

We of the tacks were really surprised to hear that the Christmas Crib we entered in the contest has won a prize.

We extend our most heartfelt sympathy to MARY who lost her brother recently and also to BERTHA who lost hers.

ALBERT TAYLOR enjoyed a trip to New York recently.

LOUISE ROSA received a hand painted hanky from Brussels sent to her by her nephew T/SGT. CARL ROSA.

Blue Cross Members Get Better Quicker

Actual statistics show that hospital plan members get well quicker than those who belong to no hospital plan. The principal reason is that worry over the bill doesn't make a plan member hesitate before going to the hospital. Good care early in his illness cuts down the length of time it takes to get well again.

No matter how you look at it, membership in the Blue Cross is a good thing. You can't afford to be without that protection. Hospital bills can spend years of savings in a discouragingly short time.

Be sure to fill out and sign the card being sent you in the mail. Be sure to turn it in to your department representative on or before March 22.

Chucking And Fuse Assembly Hold Parties



Top, the gang in Chucking got together to celebrate Flora DiManno's birthday. It was February 28.

Bottom, a party was held in Fuse Assembly in honor of Raymond Grenier. The men were few but the women were many. Ray's birthday was February 21.

Hammer Forging Is Important Work

William Heller Operates Hammers In Hot Forge Shop



Turning out aluminum forgings for aircraft is one of the many important jobs performed by William Heller, drop forger in the Hot Forge Department. Bill works under both forging hammers. He is a skilled mechanic, and his job is one of the most important in the Shop. Here he is working under the large 1600-pound hammer on an important war job.

With controlled pressure of his foot and expert manipulation of material under the dies of a forging hammer, William Heller, at sixty-three, is doing his bit for the war program.

Bill is a drop forger — a member of an old American trade that is slowly vanishing from the industrial scene. He is operator of two of the most important tools in the Hot Forge Department, and as such is both master of the drop forge hammers and the metal with which he works, which at Scovill is aluminum and brass.

Contrast to comparatively simpler operations of the forging presses, the forging hammers alone, under the hand of a drop forger, can turn out the many jobs of unusual and difficult designs.

This type of forging is done with repeated blows. At times a series of operations is performed in one heat on multiple impression dies.

Needless to say this type of work requires considerable skill and seasoned experience. Bill has had twenty-eight years of it.

Special Training News

By Kay and Anne

The boys who were here from Denver are returning. We wish them luck.

WALTER MULINSKY has named his new son FRANCIS ANTHONY.

MARGE IORIO celebrated her birthday February 28. She was given a party.

DOTTIE SCHOTT celebrated her birthday March 5 and the girls didn't forget her either.

MARGE IORIO was Godmother to her niece CAROL ANN last weekend.

ONA REWT's and LISSY SAKEVICH's husbands were awarded the Purple Heart.

Girls' Club News

By Gertrude Swirda

We welcome our newest member, MURIEL D. HAM, from Central File.

Girl of the Week: EVELYN SHUGDINIS, B & F Sales, hostess on the Servicemen and War Workers weekly dance, bowler on the American League. EVELYN also helps serve at the Foremen's Club.

At our U.S.O. Dance: NOELLA FOURNIER and PAT SCOTT, our ladies of melody ----- B & F Sales force reporting a surplus of sore muscles (and not from dancing) ----- our thanks to the Entertainment Committee and volunteers for their work in making the event a huge success.

Bowling news: there will be four more weeks of regular bowling and three weeks of sweepstakes and the banquet will be held some time in April.

"87" Varieties

By D. L. M.

The girls of "87" gave HANNAH HARRIS a cheery hello when HANNAH returned to work this week.

Saturday afternoon it's New Haven and Shubert for nine of the ladies. They're taking in the play "When Bill Comes Home."

MARY READY is back on the job after a short bout with illness in which MARY emerged the winner by knockout.

Our secret service informs us that WHITEY CREEL is now raising chickens on his Lake Hitchcock hacienda. . . When those chickens attain the proper size we shall pay MR. CREEL's chicken coop a visit.

The soldier son who called JENNIE IADROLA via long distance telephone last week is now home. . . and is seeing his family for the first time in four years.

MARIE CARNEIRO is wailing because she's losing weight. . . better eat those sandwiches your mother packs for you, MARIE.

Army Meteorologist Across Thirty Months

From the United States Army Air Forces in Italy comes word that Staff Sergeant John Buckley, former die polisher in the Wire Mill, has just completed his thirtieth month of overseas service in that theater.

Sergeant Buckley, who is an Army Air Forces Weather Observer, has received the American Defense Service Medal, and the Europe-Africa-Middle East Theater Ribbon with four battle stars, for participating in the Algerian-French Morocco, Sicilian, Naples-Foggia and Rome-Arno Campaigns.

Chuckling Rumors

Department 81

By Joe Lantz

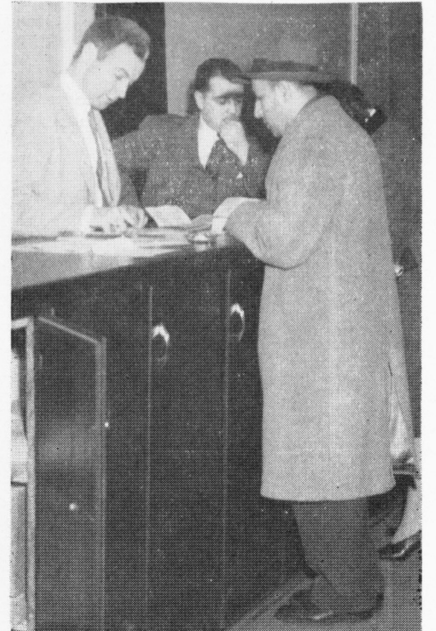
The Chuckling Second Annual Show "Fun on a Hayride" will be held at Buckingham Hall March 23 and 24, at 8:15 P. M. With FRANK WILLIAMS producing, FRANK J. WIATR directing and JOHNNY SYLVESTER co-directing, the show is sure to be a smash hit.

We all miss MARY LUSHINSKY and we hope she gets well soon.

Belated birthday greeting to WILFRED BERNIER.

JEROME PETER ROVELLI celebrated his birthday March 8 and a beautiful birthday cake with numerous gifts was presented him.

Deadline Doin's



Unless we're mistaken or everyone else is smart, this will be a familiar scene far into the night of March 15 when too many people who waited too long to file their income tax at the Leavenworth St. Office line up.

Chuckling News

Second Shift

By Rocco Santa Barbara

We welcome back to our department MARGIE (GWENDOLYN) DILLON.

Introducing the four Flipjack girls; MAE COTE, GLADYS LANTZ, PEG BROWN and LEE RIVOL.

Six new comers are GENEVIEVE LANARO, MILDRED MARIANO, VAL PECKA, ALMIRE VIOLET, RITA DIAMOND and BRONI PAPLAUSKAS.

Belated birthday greetings to FLORA DIMANNO, Dept. 83. Her co-workers adorned her wrist with a beautiful bracelet.

ASMD News

By P. I. C.

Received word from THOMAS TELESKA and he sends his regards.

Congratulations are in line for AL IZZO and STANLEY PANNONE on their recent venture in business.

It was very embarrassing for VIC HEDBERG to discover that he had done a fine job of removing the snow from somebody else's car. Definitely!

"Canyoning Down Bank Street"



As Christy Erk would say, "While I was canyoning down Bank Street the other day . . ." and then you'd get the low-down on the town talent as you followed the lines of "Sphere and Stratosphere" and the bouquets Chris is always passing out. Scovill men in service will get a kick out of this familiar scene around town. Maybe it will remind them of Christmas shopping tours of yesterday when they scrapped together more dough than they could afford to buy milady's remembrance.

Connecticut Blue Cross Questions And Answers

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12. Q. I now have a MOTHER, FATHER, SISTER or BROTHER enrolled on my White Cross membership. May he (or she) be included on my new Blue Cross contract?

A. No. When your present White Cross membership is converted to Blue Cross, such enrolled dependents may join as subscribers on an individual basis and make their payments directly to the Blue Cross Office. In addition to making out your conversion card (orange), you must also complete a cancellation card (blue) which will cancel your enrolled dependent. The dependent must fill out a new application (buff) if such dependent desires to join as a subscriber. Your department representative will supply you with the blue and buff cards.

13. Q. I now hold a single membership in White Cross. When I convert to Connecticut Blue Cross may I add my wife (or husband) and children to my contract?

A. Yes — by completing a white application card in addition to an orange conversion card. Benefits for the family members added will become effective in accordance with Blue Cross enrollment regulations.

14. Q. Will my converting to the new Blue Cross Plan break the continuity of my membership?

A. No. There will be no break in the continuity of your membership, provided all membership fees have been paid as due.

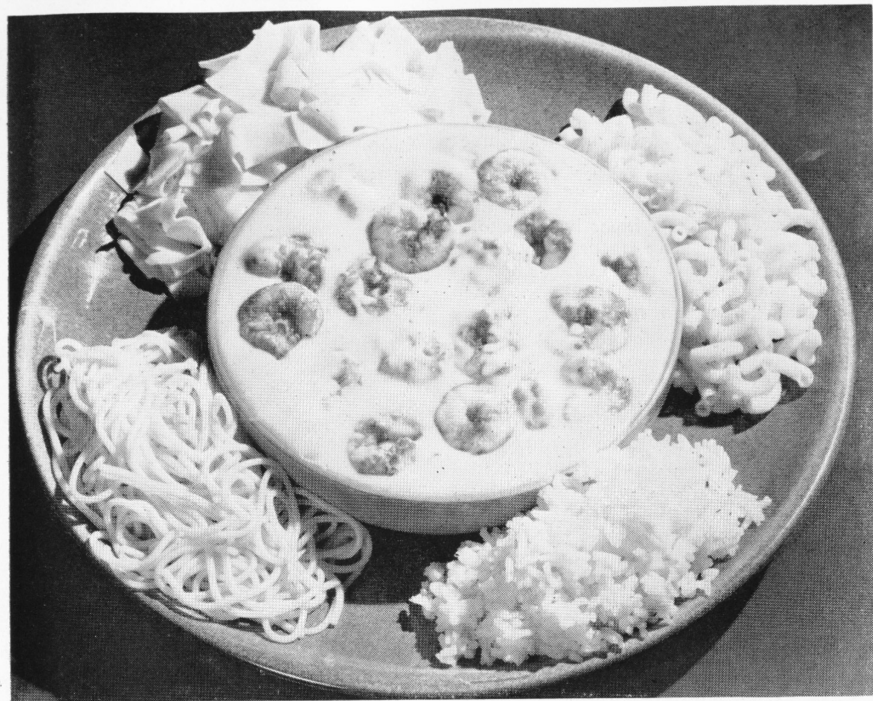
15. Q. If I convert my membership to the new Connecticut Blue Cross, will the waiting period for maternity benefits start all over again?

A. No. The period of continuous membership will include the period of membership in White Cross together with the period of membership in Connecticut Blue Cross. (Maternity coverage is available only under Husband and Wife or Family contracts — see Answer No. 11 for exception for wives of those in Military Service.)

16. Q. What is the membership rate for a widow and one child or divorcee and one child?

A. The rate is \$1.75 per month.

Never At A Loss With Shrimp And Sauce



Like violets and spring, canned shrimp and Lent go together! Rice, macaroni, spaghetti or noodles — just whip up a sauce, toss in canned shrimp and you're ready to ding the dinner bell. Toothsome, time-saving, thrifty and chockfull of minerals and vitamins, canned shrimp comes into its flavorful own during the Lenten season and beyond. Find out why when you try the following recipe.

Tangy Shrimp in Sauce

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
4 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1 7-ounce can shrimp (1-1/4 cups)
Milk

Melt butter or margarine; blend in flour, salt, pepper, mustard and paprika. Drain shrimp, reserving liquor. Add enough milk to liquor to make 2 cups. Add milk mixture gradually to flour mixture. Cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add shrimp; heat. Serve on rice, macaroni, noodles or spaghetti.

Swing Your Broom The Right Way To Save It

The life of a broom may be increased quite materially and the task of sweeping made much easier if the sweeper will form the habit of turning the broom after every few strokes so that the straw on each side of the handle will be toward the sweeper an equal share of the time. As most of the wear is on the side toward the sweeper the turning operation wears the straw down evenly all the way across.

Make Shoes Go Farther

Want to stretch the mileage you get from that precious shoe coupon? Keep shoes clean and save leather. Sometimes soap and water does the trick — lots of soap but just as little water as possible.

Use saddle, castile or a mild soap. Dip the brush or wring cloth in tepid water, rub on soap to produce rich lather and go to it. Don't rinse. Instead, wipe off lather with a soft clean cloth. Wait until the leather is dry, then go ahead with your regular cleaner or polish.

Despotting cloth shoes is comparatively simple. Just flick out with garment dry cleaner. Oil and grease spots on leather are harder, often impossible to remove. Have it done at once, professionally.

Try Gloves On Slowly

The first time you try on a new pair of gloves take it slow — don't be in a hurry. Even if you do get them on without splitting they will never fit so well as when they are carefully put on, stretching the glove gently to conform to every line of the hand.

If this is done the first time all other times will be easy.

Protect Your Family With The Blue Cross

With husbands in the war, it falls on the wives they left behind to run a home smoothly and efficiently. In this is included the raising of children and keeping financial matters in order.

It is always unfortunate when sickness, that requires hospitalization, strikes. It puts a severe strain on the pocketbook where all the money is so carefully budgeted.

Isn't it a wise thing then to prepare for any such emergency? Membership in the Connecticut Blue Cross provides care and service as required.

Be sure to transfer your White Cross membership to the Blue Cross when you get your card in the mail this week. If you don't belong, join.

Monthly Blue Cross deductions from your pay are small but the benefits, in case you need hospitalization, are great.

Take Care In Buying And Cleaning Fish

Because fish are one of the most common sources of ptomaine poisoning the greatest care must be used in their selection and cleaning.

Fresh fish have bright red gills, clear, open eyes, firm flesh, not flabby. If the scales are dull and come off easily, reject the fish.

Frozen fish are put into freezers fresh and are frozen so quickly there is no chance of decomposition. Thaw fish by putting them in cold water until the frost is removed, then cook as fresh fish.



Right now the people of the United States are in the midst of a clothing battle, and one that is likely to last far beyond the surrender. Textiles, especially cotton, are as bad a Washington headache these days as steel and aluminum were a few years ago. Even the services can't get as much as they want. Civilian consumption is running far ahead of production, with quality often so bad that it makes honest stores wince to see the goods.

The reasons for our shortages are simple enough: One: The manpower problem. Cotton mills, which used a high proportion of unskilled labor, have lost many workers to highly paid industries and shipyards. Two: War needs. It takes 136 yards of cotton fabrics, 43 pounds of other cotton products, to outfit one G.I. Tents, insect nets, bandages, even some ingenious cooking utensils, are made of cotton. Three: Relief needs. Relief agencies estimate that one-third of Europe desperately needs clothing, two-thirds, shoes. A big second-hand program, reconditioning Army used goods, is helping. But at best we will

Try 'Em--They're True

To prevent steel wool from rusting, dry it out on the radiator after using.

Use hot milk when making mashed potatoes. It helps soften lumps, adds lightness and keeps potatoes hot.

Cheese should be gently melted as too much heat will make it stringy and leathery.

Hot water used to rinse rice after cooking will remove loose starch and separate the grains of cooked rice better.

To save time, scald dishes with boiling water and leave them on rack to dry instead of wiping them dry.

A Marine's Wife



Rose Alexander, of the Chucking Department, is the wife of Pfc. Raymond fighting with the Third Division of the Marines in Iwo Jima. Ray has been in the service thirteen months and went overseas last August. Rose has worked in the Chucking Department since 1939.

have to ship a great deal of durable, inexpensive cloth abroad — and our textile crisis is exactly in this sort of material. Four: Civilian, boomtime buying. Civilians like you and me and Mrs. Jones down the street cleaned more off the shelves in 1943 than in 1939 though much less was manufactured for us.

In view of all this the best shopping advice if you are still thinking about buying clothing this Spring is still the classic one: don't! For your own sake, as well as patriotic reasons, avoid buying anything you can possibly do without. Postpone; mend; remodel; borrow; swap.

Beret And Bag Adapted From A Famous Painting



Really good styles have a timeless quality, as proved by this distinguished hat and handbag. Rembrandt's "Self-Portrait" was the inspiration for this classic beret, with the strikingly simple handbag designed to match. When you crochet these pieces of pearl cotton, the total cost is under three dollars. You may decide to leave the set untrimmed, to wear with your tailored suits, or add sequins and embroidery for dress-up costumes.

Directions for crocheting "Rembrandt Beret and Bag" are available to all employees by just calling or writing The Bulletin Office.

To Be Well Dressed Acquire Good Posture

With Spring and Easter just around the corner you're probably dreaming, planning or shopping for new clothes. But it's what goes into the wardrobe that'll make or mar it.

As you walk along the street today pick out the girl or woman who is "Something Special." Of course it's the girl who carries her clothes beautifully. No doubt she carries herself with pride, with an air, with a grace.

You can be just as effective if you choose to raise the lolling head, lift up your chest, pull in your abdomen and your "bustle," with toes pointed straight ahead.

Waterville Division News

Reporter—Esther

"COSTELLO" LAUDATE is getting ready for that big St. Patrick's day dance that his club is giving. He promises everyone attending a wonderful time so see "COSTELLO" for tickets.

MARY McCUE's salute to the officer was really cute.

REILLY sure wears long aprons. JOHN had better be careful that they don't shrink when washed.

BERNICE, LORETTA, HILDA, and JO celebrated ERNESTINE MUNSON's birthday at Harmon's last week, and all had an enjoyable evening.

PAT IADAROLA was quite excited when his son came home on leave after two years of overseas duty.

ERNIE BRYANT showed us some family pictures which were taken some years ago and which were very interesting.

IRENE PETERS did a good job in soliciting for the Red Cross.

Daddy Overseas



Chris Hanson is the three year old son of Arthur Hanson formerly of the Waterville Division. Art is now overseas. Chris' mother Louise is employed in Chucking.

Reporter—Del

HELEN D'ANGELO's happiness is complete now that her brother is home from overseas.

We welcome a newcomer to the department — HARRIET JAQUIERY. Hope you will enjoy being with us, HARRIET.

It is good to see JOE GEARY back on the job after an illness of one week.

NORA CURLEY and ANGIE MASSE are going to town with their knitting and crocheting, and doing a good job of it too. Keep it up, girls.

Reporters—Shirley and Betty

EILEEN reports that she and PEG had a gay old time in Hartford last weekend. They took in a show at the State and by all reports it was "very good."

DON, why is it that "doors" always get in your way?

BETTY B. and VAL went out for a spaghetti feed the other night and "It was perfect" says BETTY.

B. B. is making a pair of white knitted mittens for a friend's baby. She figures it takes one hour to make one as they aren't any longer than two inches.

MARY ROSS and her club have decided not to go to the Cape this year, and she wants some good suggestions as to where they might go.

HELENA K. had quite a cold this past week but doctored it every night until she got rid of the bark.

TOM KELLY finds it very difficult to find any popular or even unpopular brands of cigarettes but we haven't seen him rolling his own or smoking a pipe as yet. By the way, where do you get the "most unpopular brands" TOM?

Reporter—Bert

Congratulations to MARION and ART CURTIS who recently celebrated their twenty-four wedding anniversary. Among other gifts, MARION received a pair of handmade doeskin gloves from her son

RAYMOND, S 1/C, who is serving with the Seabees in Bermuda.

EDNA FEDE has gone to Virginia for a visit with her husband. Give our best to PAUL, EDNA.

SUSIE sure has been having her troubles — now it's her eye. Cheer up, SUE, you will probably be OK by Spring.

Do you like to play softball? Any girls who are interested in playing, see BERTHA in the Press Room.

MILLIE DiSTISO was very much surprised and thrilled one day last week when she received several Jap souvenirs from her husband, PHIL, who is with the Marines in the Pacific.

We welcome MILDRED BUXTON to the Press Room and hope you will like it with us.

Another year has just rolled by for JERRY MILLER, so here's wishing you a Happy Birthday, Jerry!

FRANK RADASKI also gets birthday wishes. How many does that make now, FRANK?

L. CAROSELLA is getting the garden tools ready for his handyman, T. JOHN-SON.

The gang in No. 742 gave DOROTHY COLLINS some nice gifts when she left last Saturday. We wish you all the luck in the world, DOROTHY, and let's hear from you.

Reporters—Beebe and Madlyn

MARY ELLEN and JULIE went to Conn. State U. for the weekend and from the reports had a wonderful time.

Many happy returns to RONNIE SHOVE on her birthday from us all.

ELSIE L. is now the proud owner of another dog. It was close though as he almost found a different master.

MARY MAHER is still quite busy collecting records and has by far the best collection in the office.

ALICE EGGLETON is going to keep us well posted about Army Nurses since her sister left Tuesday.

Machine Tool Room News

By J. and K.

Congratulations MR. and MRS. MARTIN GALVIN on the arrival of a baby boy. MARTIN, JR. by the way.

We hear that an uncle of CHUCK FAHEY's is the president of a modeling school and that CHUCK has already signed one girl up from this room.

We're well informed of a certain time in the morning when we hear that crooner, LOUIS PELOSI, hit up with "It's nine o'clock, etc."

FREDDIE, "CLARK GABLE," TER-ENZI, has once more begun to raise a mustache. Think you'll live through it this time, FREDDIE?

Victory Committee Sponsors War Exhibit

In order to acquaint employees with the part they are playing in winning the war, the Waterville War Production Drive Committee is sponsoring an exhibit of items assembled by Scovill Screws and other products.

Fred J. Senior, Chairman of the Committee, in explaining the purpose of the exhibit said:

"Few of many employees working on threaded products know the importance of these components. Practically 100 per cent of them constitute the vital assembly element of critical or important war materiel.

"We are making parts for the famous B-29 bombers and for the world's fastest and best Navy fighters, the Chance-Vought Corsair and the Grumman Hellcat. . . .

"We are making parts which hold together the other components of fuzes for light and heavy artillery, mortars and bombs to blast and drive back the enemy. We are making parts for the Army Signal Corps and for the Army and Navy's detector instruments; parts for military radio sets, as well as parts for radar instruments; parts for the famous 30 calibre carbines and for mines and demolition devices. . . .

"Waterville is making pistol magazines, parts for parachute flare guns, bomb fin stabilizers, airplane instrument casting and other items which are of most vital importance in winning the war."

Return Blue Cross Cards To R. L. Bates

Waterville Division employees should return the completed and signed cards for the Blue Cross hospital plan which will be distributed to them tomorrow or Wednesday to Ralph Bates in the Waterville Employment Office as soon as possible.

The letter and folder being distributed to Waterville employees explains the whole plan. If you have a question Mr. Bates or your department representative will be glad to help you.

SWERA Plans For Spring Activities



Ray Caffrey, Chairman in charge of Softball, and Mary Wandzell, Vice President and Publicity Agent for the SWERA, expect a full program for the coming spring season.

The SWERA Officers and Board of Directors met February 28 at the Scovill Foremen's Club. Many spring plans were discussed and Ray Caffrey, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, is in charge of details for the Softball Teams. Bertha Arsenault, member of the Board of Directors, has been appointed to check the girls to see how many are interested in a girls' Softball Team. The organization is planning to enter teams in the Waterville Industrial Softball Leagues not only Men's but also Girls'.

Plans for a Fashion Show and Dance for the early part of April were also discussed.

The Bowling Match between the Men's Office League and Men's Factory League was played February 23 and the Champs are officially the Factory League. Refreshments were served after the roll-off.

Motion was made and carried through that the SWERA donate the sum of \$50 to the Red Cross Drive.



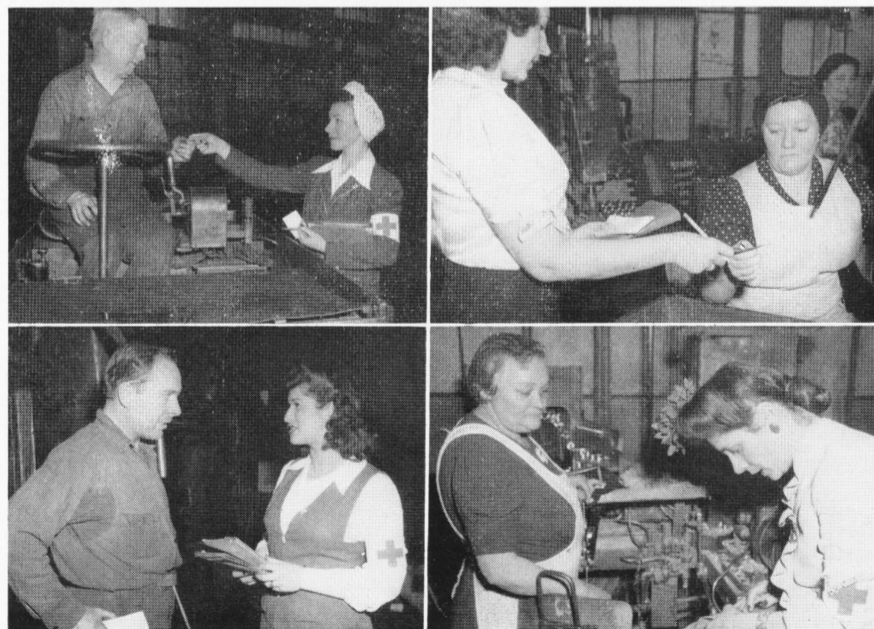
Ride for man on Tuesday nights at 1:30 in the Town Plot Section. If you have a ride available call 3-6856 before 2:30. Ask for Edith Altieri.

Red Cross Drive Off To Good Start

The Waterville Red Cross War Fund Committee reports that the Plant's drive to enroll members in the American Red Cross got off to a good start on March 1. The Committee expressed the hope that by the time this appears in print the Division will have gone over its quota of a two dollar membership per employee.

The following departments attained 100 per cent participation at press time: Rivet & Die Tool Room Department No. 753; Slotting and Turning, No. 744; Headers, No. 743; Inside Truckers, No. 766, and the Foundry, No. 723.

The Committee extends its thanks to the SWERA for its generous contribution and to everyone for his cooperation.



These scenes were repeated in all departments on all shifts during the two day opening spurt of the Scovill Red Cross War Fund Drive. At the left top and bottom Eleanor La Flamme and Julia Vanni get contributions from Thomas P. Owens and Roland Frechette in the North Mill. At the right, Mary Rice and Genevieve Collins solicit Alice Gelinas and Julia Zubyk in Chucking. Scores of other solicitors helped cover the Plant.

Scovill Scouts Out For A Thousand



The Scovill boy scouts, under scoutmaster Ferris George, are out looking for a thousand pounds of scrap paper apiece. The drive, which is sponsored jointly by the Boy Scouts of America and General Ike Eisenhower, is running through March and April. If the scouts meet their quota individual medals from General Eisenhower will be their reward. The scouts are working for them!

More On Phone Bells

By Dave Moreland

The Telephone Department makes the following statement as a supplement to its story of last week on prolonged ringing of telephone bells:

We have been advised by the Steam Department that the office in the East Power House is not always "covered" by someone to answer the 'phone. However extension bells are located where Steam Department employees are working. In many cases this is at a distance from the 'phone.

When a Power House employee hears the telephone bell, he proceeds at once, and as rapidly as possible in line with a safe policy, to answer it. But often before he reaches the telephone it has rung many times.

It is, therefore, suggested that when calls are put in for the Power Houses, the caller should "hang on" until the phone is answered. This is the only exception to the rule suggested last week that after the fourth ring, hang up and call again.

Former Press Operator In Blanking Succumbs

Joseph Ozalas, an employee in the Blanking Room since August 16, 1915, died Thursday, March 1, in Waterbury hospital after a short illness.

Born in Kaunas, Lithuania, May 18, 1883, Mr. Ozalas came to the United States forty-three years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Anna, a son, Joseph, Jr., with the Army in Maine, a daughter and step-daughter.

The funeral was held Monday, March 5, from the Deliniks funeral home to St. Joseph's church. Burial was in Calvary cemetery.

SERA Is Sponsoring A Girl Scout Troop

A troop of Girl Scouts is being organized under the sponsorship of the SERA, which has already a growing Boy Scout troop under its wing.

An encouraging turnout of girls were present at the initial organizational meetings with the SERA Committee comprised of the following:

Daisy Hancock, Development Laboratory, Scout Leader; Rita Culhane, Priorities Office, Assistant Scout Leader; Lillian Abbondandolo, Billing; Lucille Burney, Conservation, and Dorothy O'Neill, Priorities.

The troop is open to daughters of Scovillites and girls of the immediate neighborhood. Meetings are scheduled at the Center from 7 to 9 P.M. Fridays.

General Training Room

Servicemen's News

ROBERT BROWN F1/C of the U.S.S. L.S.M. 287 and PVT. RAYMOND BRADSHAW paid the Room a visit recently.

Mail was received from WALTER DEMORSKY S1/C who is at the U. S. Naval Convalescent Hospital in Asheville, N. C. He says he gained forty pounds. WALT was hurt loading supplies and ammunition. He has been hospitalized over a year.

PVT. JOHN SCIELLER and PFC. MICHAEL HABRUKOVICH, somewhere in France, are with the Third Army.

PVT. THOMAS SCHWEITZER who had been hospitalized in England is now in France.

PVT. GEORGE BROWN sent us a letter from Panama. He wrote that Christmas was spent at Guatemala on a four day cross country flight.

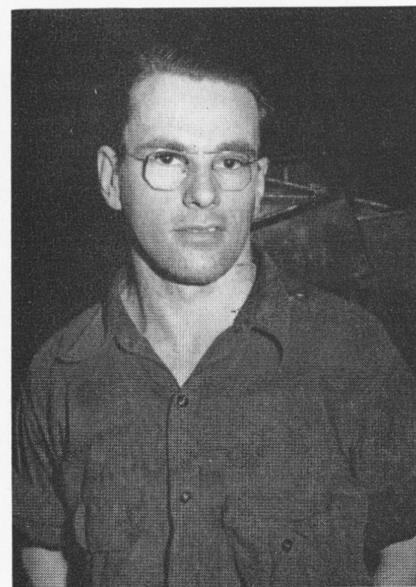
PFC. ALFRED RANAUDO at present writes from the Mariannas.

A/C JAMES NEY is now in Georgia flying AT6's for his basic training. JIM describes these as just one mass of gadgets that really keep you busy. He added that he wished he could have a bit of Connecticut with some snow.

MARIO GUERRERA TM 2/C writes that he recently crossed the Equator.

THOMAS ADDONA AS of Sampson is with his buddies whom he enlisted with. A few of the fellows and TOMMIE brought along musical instruments which results in a bit of jive for a passing of time.

Trucker Finds That Hospital Plan Pays



Victor LaMontagne, trucker in Manufacturing Trucking, was in St. Mary's hospital from December 31 to January 13 for ruptured ulcers. Under the White Cross Hospital Plan Vic had to pay \$25.00 (not including nurses board) while the plan paid \$108.10. Now under the Blue Cross Plan, by way of comparison, his bill of \$133.10 would have been taken care of.

Captain Joe Boylan Is Prisoner Of War

Captain Joseph Boylan, formerly a laboratory assistant in the Manufacturing Laboratory, has been reported to be a prisoner of war in Germany. A War Department telegram notified his father, who received an honorable discharge from the Army a year ago.

Captain Boylan, pilot, who has at least sixty-two missions to his credit, was previously reported missing in action last December 23. He holds the Silver Star for gallantry in action by making a crash-landing after he had been wounded. He enlisted in 1942.

Scovillites Convert To Blue Cross Plan

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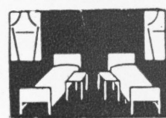
wish to join the Blue Cross, return the card to your representative on or before Thursday, March 22.

Representatives will be on hand in all departments to receive your cards every working day from now until March 22. If you have a question the literature given you does not answer or one which is not answered in this issue of THE BULLETIN, ask your department representative.

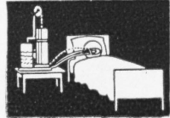
The new plan is effective June 1.

Here's What You Get In The Blue Cross

Full Cost For 21 Days in a Year, Plus 90 More Days at Half-benefit.



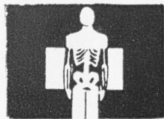
Semi-private room, general nursing service, and meals or special diets. Full use of the operating room as often as it may be necessary for you.



Basal metabolism examinations are paid for by the Blue Cross Plan. Oxygen and the unlimited use of the oxygen tent is provided for you.



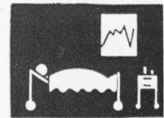
Anaesthesia, when an employee of the hospital administers it to you. X-rays are very expensive, but the Blue Cross pays for them for you.



Serums, usually obtained by costly processes, are covered for you. Ambulance service is covered for you up to \$8 in an emergency.



Clinical and pathological laboratory services are fully covered. Electro-cardiograms, a process of recording your heart action.



Physiotherapy that relieves pain and speeds recovery is paid for. Maternity service and nursery up to ten days if you meet requirements.



All medicines, dressings, plaster casts and drugs are fully paid for. Emergency room care on initial visit within 24 hours of an accident.



Classified Ads

FOR SALE: One family, 4-room house, extra large lot, garage and chicken house in South Waterbury. Call 4-1814, after 4.

FOR SALE: Fisherman's "no-skid" hip boots, size 9. \$6. Call 3-8862.

FOR SALE: Ping Pong table 3/4" plywood complete with stand, net, 4 paddles. \$15. Call Cheshire 2283.

FOR SALE: Black Cocker Spaniel puppy, 7 months old, house broken \$35. Call 4-0540.

FOR SALE: Jiffy Kodak, Twindar Lens. Call 3-4031 between 6 and 7 P. M.

FOR SALE: 5 pair misses' or lady's shoes, size 7, med. width and heel. Call 5-0859.

FOR SALE: Cabinet Stromberg Carlson Radio and extra loudspeaker. Call ext. 594.

FOR SALE: Child's crib including spring and wet proof mattress; also hooded bassinette on rollers. Call 4-5324.

WANTED TO BUY: Good loam, and cow manure. Call ext. 2304.

WANTED TO BUY: Tricycle for 5-year old boy. Call ext. 2333 between 6:30 and 3:00.

WANTED TO BUY: Gas hot water heater. Call 3-9134 mornings.

RENT WANTED: Cottage on lake within commuting distance, for at least one month during summer. Call ext. 2371.

RENT WANTED: 5 rooms for 4 adults by May 1. Call 4-9302.

RENT WANTED: 3-4-5 room cottage suitable for year round, near lake, with option to buy. Call ext. 358.

LOST: Tortoise shell glasses in Main Plant. Call ext. 345.

FOUND: Sum of money, March 6, in Employment Department. Call ext. 345.

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